

parties may be said to have been totally destroyed. It being asserted that nearly all the houses which remained stand have been so shaken that they must be pulled down. One of the travelers who arrived here today says that more than 300 persons were killed in that part of Valparaiso known as the Port and that 800 persons were injured there, but it is impossible to verify his statement.

The majority of the inhabitants of Valparaiso are camped on the hills surrounding that city, the parks and main thoroughfares near or have sought refuge on board the vessels at anchor in the bay. Martial law continues there.

AN AMBULANCE TRAIN.

An ambulance train left here today for Valparaiso with a large supply of medicines, etc., and a detachment of medical students who have volunteered to assist the earthquake sufferers. The train also took a quantity of provisions. Supplies of food and medicines have also been sent to other towns which have suffered from the earthquake.

Preparations are being made to resume trading on the Santiago stock exchange, interrupted since the earthquake and the principal financial houses are taking steps to guard against a financial panic.

A LAUGHABLE INCIDENT.

In the midst of so much distress a laughable incident occurred. A detachment of carabiners while en route to Valparaiso made a halt for refreshments. While the cavalrymen were dismounted their horses bolted towards Valparaiso and the carabiners were compelled to make their way to that city on foot or in any vehicles which they were able to requisition at short notice.

As the correspondent closes this dispatch a further slight earth shock made the building in which he was writing tremble to its foundations.

SHOT HIMSELF IN PRESENCE OF WIFE

Leon Armer Committed Suicide Because Woman Refused To Return.

HE CAME HERE FROM EUREKA.

Couple Were Divorced and Husband Vainly Sought a Reconciliation — Died in Five Hours.

Because his former wife refused to return to him, Leon Armer, a Eureka saloonkeeper, shot himself yesterday afternoon about four o'clock, and died five hours later. The shooting occurred in the presence of Mrs. Armer and her sister, Mrs. Mamie McCain, at their apartments, 158 E. Second Street.

Armer came to Salt Lake several days ago, for the purpose, it is said, of seeking a reconciliation with the woman who had sent a divorce from him three years ago. He called upon her repeatedly at her home, and implored her to return to him. When Mrs. Armer refused to listen to his pleas, the man became desperate, and threatened to kill her and her sister.

Mrs. Armer succeeded once in gaining possession of her ex-husband's revolver, which he had ordered sent to him from Eureka. He found the weapon just prior to the shooting. He was lying upon a bed in Mrs. McCain's room when Mrs. Armer entered. She saw that he had possession of the gun, and she retreated from the room. A moment later a loud report was heard, and the two women knew that Armer had carried his threat into execution in so far as it pertained to himself.

The police were notified of the occurrence, and officers Hilton and Harris were the first persons to enter the room occupied by Armer. He lay upon the bed, partly unconscious, blood flowing freely from the wound. The bullet, a 44-caliber, had entered over the heart and had passed through the body and into the wall.

Armer was taken to the L. D. S. hospital, where he was attended by Dr. Beer. From the first it was apparent that the man could not recover, and he passed away shortly before nine o'clock.

The body was removed to the undertaking establishment of Joseph William Taylor.

LATE LOCALS.

Bank Clearing—Today's local bank clearings amounted to \$84,716.11 against \$784,119.16 for the same day last year.

Voters are Here—The three voting machines ordered about 60 days ago for use in the coming elections have been received at the county clerk's office.

Missionary Outing—The Swedish returned missionaries with friends are scheduled for a reunion and all around good time at Wandamere tomorrow. A fine program has been prepared, and a great time is anticipated.

Carbis Wants Help—W. O. Carbis, county treasurer, has applied to the county commissioners for 25 extra clerks to assist in getting out the tax notices for 1906. Women are to get \$2.50 and the male clerks \$2 a day.

WASHOUTS ON SALT LAKE ROUTE

Track Goes Out in Spots Involving Fifty Miles in Meadow Valley Wash.

BETWEEN ELGIN AND MOAPA.

If the Rain Storms Let Up the Trouble Will Soon Be Bridged Over.

The prevailing heavy rains are creating considerable anxiety in local operating and maintenance of way departments. The first road to suffer from the effects of the practically universal storm is the Salt Lake Route. Washouts are reported involving 50 miles of track between Elgin and Moapa, Nev., along the line where they were worst during the regrettable tie-up throughout the Meadow Valley washes of three weeks last April and May.

As far as can be learned four washouts are reported at the end of the line and remain with Jupiter Plumbus whether or not there will be a bad tie-up. "If quite storming we hope to have the trouble straightened out by tonight," was the optimistic answer to queries at the office of Sup't. Van Housen this morning.

Sup't. Van Housen, Engineer Brown, Trainmaster Smith and other officials are down at the scene and men are being rushed to the front to bridge the gap as quickly as possible. General Manager R. E. Wells is here, and is in touch with the situation.

Yesterday morning's train was the last to arrive from Los Angeles and there are two limited westbound and one eastbound held up by the trouble. It will be late this evening before it is decided one way or the other whether trains for Los Angeles will be sent out of Salt Lake tonight.

While there is plenty of material, laborers and equipment at this end to cope with the washouts the officials are handicapped at the Moapa end owing to the fact that pile drivers and other equipment were recently brought from off the Los Angeles division for work on this end. This makes working from both sides of the washouts practically impossible.

BLOCKADE RAISED.

Freight Tie-up at Oakland Has Now Been Cleaned Up.

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E. L. LOMAX COMING. Union Pacific Officials Here in Interest of New Campaign.

E. L. Lomax, general passenger and ticket agent of the Union Pacific, accompanied by Alfred Darlow, the versatile advertising man for the railroad, Simpson and others connected with the Overland Route are expected to arrive in Salt Lake this evening and spend a few days here going into details in connection with the new book and advertising campaign.

A collection of advertising material valued at close upon \$80,000 was destroyed in the great San Francisco calamity, but nothing daunted the advertising department of the Harriman system is going out harder than ever to get out bigger, brighter and better literature to the eye of the tourist confound the calamity howler and mortify the keen eastern hunter for tourist business.

The "Road of a Thousand Wonders," probably the most elaborate work of color printing ever issued, 45,000 copies of which were destroyed by the fire, will be at once released by the Southern Pacific. Describing the line from Los Angeles to Portland, it is of particular value in inducing tourist travel in connection therewith and commanding in September, the Southern Pacific has begun a year's campaign in 21 leading eastern magazines. In advertising the easterns of California and the "Road of a Thousand Wonders." The expense of this one campaign will be \$35,000.

Simultaneously, a similar book, "The Overland Route," showing the way from Omaha to San Francisco, is being printed with the same beautiful color illustrations. This book, too, will be extensively advertised so that all who ride must read. In this book considerable space will be devoted to the scenic attractions of Utah generally and Salt Lake in particular. It is to look over the ground and see that no point has been overlooked that Mr. Lomax has been overruled that Mr. Lomax and his associates are coming here.

N. FULTON PROMOTED. Illinois Central Man Goes to San Francisco on Sept. 1.

Effective Sept. 1, N. F. Fulton, traveling freight agent for the Illinois Central with headquarters in Salt Lake, will be promoted to contracting freight agent for the same system with headquarters in San Francisco.

Mr. Fulton is well known among shippers and prior to the time he accepted his present position under Commercial Agent J. A. Foley he was traveling freight agent for the Oregon Short Line during the wool season.

O. S. L. WORK AT BOISE. A force of men were put to work in the Short Line's new yards this morning, digging a pit for the turn table. The section house which was moved and is being repaired is nearly completed. Two cars of brick for the new round house arrived this morning and are being unloaded. The steam shovel, which has been at Parrett's trading for the last month, will be moved here this evening and start to work Monday on the west bank of the river a short distance below town taking out gravel to fill in the new yard. Twenty-six dump cars will be brought here to be used in connection with the steam shovel.

Several large crews will be at work within the next 10 days, as it is the intention to finish the new track, round house and tank and other improvements before cold weather. Capital News Boise.

RATES FOR LABORERS.

Portland, Ore., Aug. 21.—So urgent has become the demand for laborers in the northwest that the Northern Pacific Railway has decided to make a reduced rate from east to all points in Oregon and Washington to induce men of the working class to come to the coast. Effective today, the company will offer a rate of \$25 to the two northwestern states from Missouri.

More Rain Expected.—A cloud burst at Hermiston Monday afternoon, overwhelmed the big canal so that it flowed over into the South Jordan canal and the combined waters then rushed into the Jordan river, carrying a great amount of debris down the stream and damaging some of the mill canals below. The pumps were made useless for the time.

The weather office there is a large low barometric area, extending from above the forty-fifth parallel down into Siera, and from the one hundred and fifth to nearly the one hundred and twentieth meridian. The area explains the continuance of the stormy weather, and this area will be over the Rocky mountains. So rains are expected tonight and tomorrow.

These rates will be good only in parties of 20 or more, where one ticket

HAMMOND MADE STATE CHAIRMAN

Unanimously Chosen at Meeting Of Committee This Afternoon To Lead Republicans.

CONVENTION SEPTEMBER 27.

It Will Be Held in This City and the Campaign Be Made to Hum from This Date to Election.

is used, and will permit those taking advantage of the reduced tariff access to the day coaches only, giving them no accommodations in sleeping cars or diners. The rate applies from Duluth, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Missouri river gateway to Northeast

Hon. James T. Hammond, ex-secretary of state, was this afternoon unanimously chosen chairman of the Republican party in Utah, to succeed United States Marshal Spy, whose resignation was accepted this morning. The selection of a successor to Secy. McRae had not been decided at press time. It is said the committee resolved to push a vigorous campaign from now until election.

W. H. BANCROFT RETURNS.

Vice President and General Manager W. H. Bancroft of the Oregon Short Line returned this morning from a trip to Omaha.

SPIKE AND RAIL.

J. A. Munroe, freight traffic manager of the Union Pacific, is on a vacation in Europe.

A. J. Scott of the local agency of the Illinois Central leaves on his vacation to Denver tomorrow.

George Hull of Denver and E. A. Dawson of Chicago, both of the Pennsylvania lines, are here.

General Auditor C. J. McNitt of the Oregon Short Line has gone to Pocatello on a business trip.

J. F. Dunn, superintendent of motive power and machinery for the Oregon Short Line, is in Pocatello today.

S. V. Derrah, assistant general freight agent of the Denver & Rio Grande, is expected to return from the meeting in Denver this afternoon.

AMUSEMENTS.

Orpheum.—Vaudeville of the high class, hit the madam at the Orpheum last night, cantered down the track past every quarter post, and drew up to the judges' stand amid the plaudits of its auditors, who almost packed the house. Altogether the events were the kind that pleased management and patrons alike, and it was notable that the acts were clean and healthful throughout, not requiring the moral tonic ablations to which much in the vaudeville world should be plunged before it is offered to the public.

The first attraction was Charles Ledger, the "pretty little thing" with the red garters, rubber ball bound, and wonderful balance. Charlie is a very clever chap, even if he does think so himself. Modest, artistic and winsome is the young Greek. Hobo who handled his bow with a dexterity that bordered her with applause. Rapoli, jester, athlete and giant—in strength, gave us something new in his line, and comes as near being a class by himself as any similar artist who ever visited Salt Lake. In the acrobatic dance whirl the five "Salvaggs" ally themselves very close to the sensational, and leave the stage and the audience with the knowledge that they have seen something French that is not shocking. Cunning the handkerchief king, a Provo boy, by the way, demonstrated most clearly how useless are bracelets, bolts and bars, even the dreaded straight jacket, when intended to deny him his personal freedom. His escape from them all are more marvelous than the feats of legerdemain. Those who were most confounded by his achievements were the officers of the law who simply shook their heads as the word "non-plussed" fairly blazed from the bulging eyes of each. There was another comedy dog act, which from the favor it met, would seem to indicate that canine shows notwithstanding their frequency here are still popular, as they are entitled to be, when they bring the merit that Mephisto does. The kinkdrome played its customary part. Last night's bill runs through the week.

SALT LAKE CHOSEN.

Salt Lake was chosen as the place of convention, although it is understood that strong efforts were made to capture this by several outside cities.

W. K. Walton of Rich county, and George M. Miller of Emery county, were observed in close consultation at the close of the morning meeting, and this is thought to lend color to the belief that Hammond will be in charge of the party interests during the next campaign. Hammond is said to have a strong following in the southern counties, although it has also been pointed out that Walton himself is by no means unpopular there, and the surprise referred to may possibly come in the shape of an effort to replace him in the chair.

The possibility of Kuehler being made permanent secretary has been mentioned.

THOSE PRESENT.

Among those present this morning were Chairman Spy; Rudolph Kuehler, Weber county; W. R. Knox, Beaver county; H. Bullen, Jr., Cache county; J. M. Sechrist, Davis county; George M. Miller, Emery county; Henry Adams, Juab county; M. H. Day, Millard county; W. K. Walton, Rich county; M. H. Myton, Salt Lake county; W. D. Livingston, Sanpete county; J. H. Erickson, Sevier county; L. L. Baker, Tooele county; J. W. Musser, Wasatch county.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Tomorrow the wedding of Miss Theresa Brown and Paul R. Moor will take place, the marriage to be solemnized in the temple and a reception to be held in the evening at the home of Mrs. M. A. Brain, 174 Fourth street, from 5 till 11.

Mrs. Seiden I. Clawson has gone to Los Angeles, where she will join her mother, Mrs. Hattie Pickett, for a short stay.

Miss Eunice McMaster has returned from a trip to Los Angeles.

Mrs. T. G. Griffin entertained at luncheon this morning at the country club, the table being effectively decorated and covers laid for 12 guests.

Mr. and Mrs. James S. Franklyn and Miss Franklyn leave today for the Yellowstone.

Mrs. Lizzie Wilcox and Mrs. Alice Merrill Horne have returned from an interesting visit in the Big Horn region in Wyoming, where they had a most enjoyable time. Their trip was in the interests of the Relief society.

Miss Lu Deen Christensen has just returned from a two years' stay in Europe, where she has been studying art, with Charles Lazar, one of the most prominent of Parisian teachers, and who, by the way, is American. Having been in Paris three years, Mr. Lazar took his class in a sketching tour recently to Yarmouth—of David Copperfield fame—and besides this Miss Christensen has made a tour of the principal countries of Europe studying the masterpieces of art, of which she has brought home many reproductions. She has returned to teach the art for which she has been training.

Miss Mary Teasdale is on a sketching tour through Holland.

Mrs. Thomas Kearns will leave tomorrow for Santa Rosa.

Mrs. E. A. Tripp is in Provo canyon visiting with her sister, Mrs. Ritter.

Mrs. Emily Clowes spent Sunday in North Provo canyon with Mrs. Scanlan.

Mrs. David Keith leaves tomorrow for Los Angeles.

Mrs. L. White and Mrs. Emma Lockyer have returned to St. Louis.

Mrs. Ada Dwyer Russell left yesterday for New York.

Mrs. Allen Sanford and Mrs. D. A. McMillan have returned from a trip through the Yellowstone.

Miss Minnie C. Lewis of this city and James O. Adams of Cheyenne were married Saturday evening, at the residence of Rev. P. W. Cook of this city.

The Ladies' Democratic club, Mrs. O. S. Reid, president, will act as the reception committee.

These rates will be good only in parties of 20 or more, where one ticket

PERSONALS.

S. D. Evans has returned from a trip to Los Angeles.