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RIVERS AND HARBORS.

THERE is not much commerce on the Mississippi between the Ohio and the Missouri, and what there is is declining. It reached its maximum about 35 years ago, immediately after which congress started to improve that section. The engineers said it would cost $16,000,000. Up to date $17,000,000 has been spent, and the engineers say it will cost over $17,000,000 more to complete the project.

Nevertheless congress will vote enough money every year to keep some men employed and a little work goin on. When this improvement was undertaken 44 per cent of the commerce of St. Louis went down the river; now one-half of one per cent does. But, of course, the improvement will go on for the next 35 years.

If congressmen will not vote money for projects of really national importance unless they can get money, on some pretext or other, to be spent in their own districts, this squandering of money on the Mississippi between the Ohio and the Missouri will have to go on, and so will scores of projects of even less merit. But it is extremely discreditable to congress that, in order to get some money for really important national enterprises, it is needful to spend a great deal of money in small amounts in a large number of congressional districts.

The seaports of the country need vastly more money spent on them than they get. The moment an effort is made to get an appropriation for Philadelphia, or New York, or Boston, or New Orleans, or any Pacific coast harbor, which is a seaport in a commercial sense, 50 members of congress demand from a quarter of a million to a half million each for their districts, just because they ought to have some of it if any good thing is going around. If the harbor improvements were of importance wholly or chiefly to the people living on them, this sort of retaliation, or reciprocity, or blackmail, or whatever it may be called, would not be without some excuse.

But the harbor improvements are not primarily a benefit to the seaboard cities. They are primarily of importance to the people who have commodities for export.

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals has rendered a decision declaring the Iowa blue sky law invalid and unconstitutional. The measure was attacked on five separate grounds, only two of which were passed on. The first reason is that it is in conflict with the commerce clause of the constitution, and the other that it grants privileges to the citizens of Iowa that are denied to those of other states. This opinion is in harmony with one handed down by three federal judges who recently held the Michigan blue sky law invalid. Reading between the lines, it can be sen that the courts hold that corporations and companies doing interstate business are subject to supervision and regulation by the federal authorities only. The case will go to the supreme court, of course, but that it will be sustained seems quite probable, from the unanimity of the lower courts that have passed on the question. What effect this will have on the Oregon blue sky law remains to be seen, but it looks as though it would knock it out—an outcome that would be much regretted by all who want to see the operations of wildcat stock-selling corporations curbed in this state.

The south this year has 32,000,000 acres planted to cotton and has no time to bother about politics. However, the politics of the south are not a matter of much worry to the administration, and it isn't worrying much over the Associated Press dispatches which show how easily the country can go republican and the lower house of congress be taken away from the democrats. All this is required, according to these, is a landslide, the changing of 75 at present democratic districts to republican, and a few other little things that work out on paper "just as easy."

Colonel Roosevelt's larnyx is not so bad but that he can manage to enunciate his refusal to make the race for governor of New York, so that it can be understood. It is really interesting to see the doughty Colonel for once exhibit fear and lack of confidence in himself. It is also decidedly interesting to see him show real good generalship in refusing to meet the enemy when the result is, to put it mildly, much in doubt.

All kinds of schemes are resorted to by sharps and sharks to get something for nothing, but the fellow back east who sold bottled creek water as a disinfectant broke the records. He also sold lots of these concentrated disease germs at 50 cents a bottle, and those who used the stuff no doubt imagined they had destroyed millions of bugs by so doing. They probably did—if they boiled it.

Queen Mary ostensibly laughs at the incident happening Sunday when a rubber ball was thrown in her lap by a suffragette, and yet she feels that in their present temper and with their recent actions as a guide, she is justified in believing the next affair may possibly be with a real bomb as the missile.

Reports of the insurance companies for the year ending June 30 show that loss by fire in the United States in that time was in round numbers $400,000,000. This means an average daily loss of $1,100,000, and no other country could stand it without bankruptcy.

Remember to have The Capital Journal to follow you during your vacation.

THE ROUND-UP.

Sportsmen trolling in the Santiam Sunday caught 60 trout running above a pound each and one weighing two and a half pounds. They came down the stream 20 miles in making the catch.

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Henry Sprague was bound over to the grand jury Saturday in Baker City on a charge of murdering D. Yamagami, a Japanese.

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Eugene motorists are looking forward with keen interest to a motorcycle race between C. D. Farmer, Eugene's street commissioner, and Miss Martha LaTellier, a postoffice clerk who is the challenger.

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Linn county has about finished harvesting the largest and best hay crop in its history. Farmers are offering it for sale in the field at $5 a ton.

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A night thief at St. Helens Friday night stole all of Dr. L. G. Ross' surgical instruments.

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Ten carloads and 40 automobile loads of Elks exclusive of the horde of stragglers spent the day at Bull Run park Sunday.

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J. W. Allen has been appointed superintendent of schools for Warren, Columbia county, in place of J. B. Wilkerson, resigned.

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Eugene J. Rich, a dark horse, was elected mayor of Juvenile Municipality of Portland Saturday night. He says his motto will be: "The best for the city all the time."

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Bandon's two ex-mayors, Steve Gallier and J. W. Mast, are members of the new city council, which was inducted into office July 1.

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"If all the dredge talk to be heard on Sumpter's streets should materialize," says the American, "we can look for six or eight new gold boats in the Sumpter district within a year."

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Eugene continues to be agitated over the question of naming the Skinner butte park, which has been referred to a committee of the city council. The ancient name has sturdy champions, who strenuously oppose any change at all.

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Medford Mail Tribune: A coyote that was run down by Ralph Cowgill in an auto on the desert near Agate has been added to the zoological display at the city hall.

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Astoria Budget: A 16-page publication illuminating the beauties of Seaside as a summer resort, is the latest to bid for public favor. The publication is issued under the name of the "Seaside Flashlight" and its sponsor is the Seaside band, an organization of gumption, harmony and force.

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An outdoor presentation of "The Mikado" by home talent, was a Fourth of July celebration feature at Hood River. The Mikado's body guard was composed of real Japanese, residents of Hood River. The local Japanese are credited otherwise with enthusiastic and elaborate participation in the patriotic program of the day.

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In an article welcoming the homeseeker to Grant county, the Canyon City Eagle says: "From the rate the vacant lands have been going it will not be long before it will all be taken—rim rock and all. Quite a number of the locations have been made by new arrivals and quite a number by local residents who arrived to the conclusion that it was a case of now or never with them."

NET SEASON OPEN WEDNESDAY.

The season for net fishing for salmon will open on many streams of the state July 15 and continue until November 20. The open season will include the following streams: Windchuck river, Chetco river, Pistol river, Upper Ten-mile creek, Alsea bay and river, Beaver creek, Siletz river, Salmon river, Nestucca bay, Necanicum river, Yaquina bay, Nehalem river, Coos bay, Coquille river, Ten-mile creek and Tillmook bay.

ASSISTANT FOREST RANGERS.

Washington, July 14.—The following have been appointed assistant forest rangers in Oregon: W. W. Weber of Sumpter, at Sumpter; George Tompkins of Weston, at Heppner; L. F. Cronemiller of Cavaltes, at Lakeview; H. U. Cochran of Cottage Grove, at Eugene.

ONE LUNGERS GET ADDITION TO SOCIETY

Los Angeles, Cal., July 14.—Duke Kahanamoku, phenomenal Hawaiian swimmer, hereafter will make Los Angeles his home, according to a statement today by Jimmy Dodson, University of California baseball star, whom the duke is visiting at San Pedro. He will swim, it is reported, under the colors of the Los Angeles Athletic club.

This year the thermometers as well as the rivers had a June rise.

The Chigger

The little chigger, it toils with vigor, when days are long and warm; with zeal it burrows its winding furrows along my shrinking form. The measly chigger! I cannot figure why it was placed on earth, to make life tougher, to make us suffer, and banish peace and mirth. We fear to ramble or lightly gambol in fields of grass or hay, for there the chigger, persistent digger, is waiting for his prey. We dread the forest, for there we're sorest, with lumps the chigger made; we turn our faces from pleasant places, and shun the tempting shade. The sneaking chigger, that is no bigger than is a needle's eye, can make man shiver, from lungs to liver, and raise a doleful cry. I loathe and scorn it! The sizzling hornet, that comes into my lodge, with redhot stinger, is trouble bringer, but gives me chance to dodge. The bee that humbles my spirit, bumbles a warning ere it stings; the fierce mosquito gives warning, ditto, with vocal legs and wings. But, oh, the chigger! It pulls the trigger and shoots me full of juice, by night and morning, without a warning, it makes me raise the deuce!

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CHECK THE SYMPTOMS OF LUNG TROUBLE

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(Affidavit) MRS. ROSA VOELPEL.

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MANY HEARTS SORE IN FLORENCE OVER THAT JOB AS POSTMISTRESS

Washington, July 14.—Senator Chamberlain is having the appointment of Alice Weatherson as postmistress at Florence held up until a protest shall be received. Postmaster D. Buchanan was not a formal applicant for reappointment. Miss Weatherson was assistant postmaster under William Kyle, who resigned in her favor. Buchanan was appointed postmaster under civil service. Soon thereafter the office was raised to the third class and under the rules a new postmaster had to be named. Miss Weatherson, daughter of a local editor, Mrs. Scroggin and others applied for the place, Miss Weatherson being appointed. The result was a surprise to Buchanan, who has protested.

Urgent That Woman Shall Be Released From Hardening Effects of Feminism

By Mrs. JOHN MARTIN, Author

BETWEEN feminism and the family there is an inherent and irreconcilable antagonism. They are PULLING IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS, and sooner or later society will find itself called upon to choose between them.

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LETTER CARRIERS MEET NEXT YEAR IN SALEM

McMinnville, Ore., July 14.—The annual convention of the state letter carriers was held here Saturday. The delegates after listening to various reports and addresses on the work of the association elected the following officers for the coming year: President, K. P. Loop of McMinnville, reelected without opposition; Ben Kumler of Salem, first vice-president; Fred P. Holm of Portland, secretary-treasurer. The convention decided to meet in Salem next year. Albany ran a close second for the convention.

In the evening the local carriers, city and rural, served a banquet to the visiting delegates at I. O. O. F. hall, after which toasts were responded to by Postmaster Frank S. Myers of Portland; Edward J. Cantwell, national secretary of the association; President Willets, Assistant Postmaster Powell of Albany, Major C. Tilbury of McMinnville, and A. L. Jameson of the local commercial club.

The State Rural Carriers association, which has a membership of 135 members, showed its organization in splendid condition. Nelson E. Willetts of Yamhill was elected president; D. F. Whiteman of Oregon City, vice-president; A. L. Peak of Monroe, second vice-president; R. W. Smith of Springfield, secretary-treasurer. National delegate to Washington, D. C., E. B. Cornett of Albany; alternate, W. F. Eberhard of McMinnville; executive committee, C. W. Brasher of Salem; James Baker, Orris G. Vrooman of Medford.

The convention went on record favoring the Hemphill bill before congress, which provides pensions for superannuated carriers.

Another resolution was passed by the rural carriers asking that $300 be allowed for equipment and maintenance on all standard routes and a proportionate amount on less than standard routes; that all first-class mail shall be properly stamped before being placed in boxes for collection, otherwise that mail matter be left in the box by the carrier.

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