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LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

Wednesday's Daily.

Klickitat republicans will hold their county convention next Saturday.

The services of the Third Regiment Infantry, Oregon National Guard, will be tendered the United States government immediately for duty in China.

Taking the census returns already completed as a guide, the indications are that the total population of the United States is between 75,000,000 and 78,000,000.

The machinery at the soda works of Weaver & Hayward was not damaged in the least by last Monday's fire, and the company will be ready for business just as soon as their loss is adjusted.

A Pretoria dispatch of the 6th says it is stated positively that President Kruger is willing and anxious to surrender, providing a satisfactory promise is given as to his ultimate destination.

State Senator J. N. Williamson, of Prineville, yesterday rented the Carey house, near the Catholic church, in order that his children may have the benefit of The Dalles schools during the coming winter.

On September 1st the commission, headed by Judge Taft, will become the legislative body of the Philippines, with power to take and appropriate insular moneys, establish judicial and educational systems and to make and pass laws.

Major Hall, of the O. R. & N. Company, last Monday settled with Mrs. Mosier, the Mosier heirs and Larkin Lamb, of Mosier, for damage recently done to their pastures by fire which ignited from sparks from a passing locomotive.

Pillar Rock cannery has packed this season about 26,000 cases of salmon, which is said to be the largest pack made on the Columbia this season, and the Laird of Dunmore, resident partner and manager, walks around in the alleys between the piles of cans and looks as if he did not care whether the school kept or not.

Mr. Smead, of the Smead Fruit Drying Company, of Blalock, met the fruit growers of the Mosier neighborhood last Monday and made arrangement to erect a fruit dryer at that place in time to handle this year's crop. They estimate their prune crop at 225 tons. Mr. Smead gets a bonus, but how much we could not learn.

Dick Payette, a Warm Springs Indian, passed through town today on the way to Portland, in custody of Chief of Indian Police L. M. Hayden and Deputy United States Marshal Roberts. Dick is charged with cattle-stealing. It is alleged that he drove cattle belonging to other Indians off the reservation and sold them to white people.

Constable Hill went out to Wapinitia yesterday to arrest Mat Basic, a farmer of that neighborhood, who is charged with having killed an elk in the mountains west of Wapinitia nearly a year ago. The complaint was filed by Henry Snipee, deputy game warden, and Chief Warden L. P. W. Quimby insisted on the prosecution, notwithstanding the long time that has elapsed since the alleged commission of the crime.

P. T. Knowles, traveling salesman for the Dufur weeding machine patented by M. J. Anderson, was in town today after completing a three months' tour through Eastern Washington and parts of Idaho. He reports having sold a large number of machines and that they are giving good satisfaction to the purchasers. Mr. Knowles will start in a few days on a three months' trip through Southern Oregon and Northern California in the interest of the S. B. Medicine Company, of Dufur.

Felix Bajavan, a French Canadian, who was in the employ of the American Company in 1843, when he was a lad of 17 and was connected with pack trains between The Dalles and Fort Simcoe, Walla Walla, the Bitter Root country, and other places north and east, from 1844 to 1858, is in the city calling on the few acquaintances that are left of these long by-gone years. Felix has been prospecting of late years in the region of the John Day, with varying fortune.

Mr. Smead, of the Smead Fruit Drying Company of Blalocks, has offered to enter into a contract with the business men of The Dalles to put up a fruit dryer at this place, of eight to ten tons per day capacity, in time to take care of this year's crop, on condition that they agree to pay him a bonus of \$1500, or make satisfactory arrangements for the payment of this sum as soon as the plant shall be in operation. Mr. Smead was here a few days ago looking over the field with a view to shipping the green fruit from here to his dryer at Blalocks.

He says with a plant at The Dalles he could afford to pay at least a fourth of a cent a pound more for prunes than he could pay if he shipped them green, as it takes three tons of green prunes to make one of dried. Mr. Smead estimates that The Dalles will have 300 tons of prunes to dispose of this year, and possibly 400. Without a dryer the greater portion of these will be allowed to go to waste. An effort is being made this afternoon to raise the bonus, and THE CHRONICLE devoutly hopes it may succeed. There appears to be no doubt that Mr. Smead has control of all the money he may need for handling fruit.

The regular quarterly teachers' examination commenced at the court house this morning with twenty-one applicants for county certificates and three for state. The board of examiners consists of Superintendent C. L. Gilbert, Professor J. T. Neff, principal of The Dalles High school, and Professor C. D. Thompson, principal of the Hood River schools. All the applicants save one are of the gentler sex. The lone exception graduated from Oberlin college, Ohio, in the 50s and is now principal of the Wamic schools.

Thursday's Daily.

It has been raining out at Shaniko till the Leader man wishes the clouds would lift and the sun again appear.

One of the most lonesome persons in the world is well-behaved man when his family is out of town for the summer.

The telegram says campers on the Washington side of the middle river are returning to Portland by the hundreds on account of the smallpox scare.

C. P. Huntington, the railroad magnate, thinks the government should put one man, heavily armed, on every train to prevent hold-ups and train robberies.

Rain commenced falling here yesterday morning at about 5 o'clock and continued till the middle of the afternoon. The amount of precipitation was slightly over half an inch.

So far the army worms have not put in an appearance in Eastern Oregon counties. The farmers in some parts say there is a small worm injuring the fruit trees, but that it bears no resemblance to the army worm.

Lem Burgess, of Antelope, this fore noon sold his clip of wool, consisting of some 30,000 pounds. The price was not given out, but it is said to have been over 14 cents. It was bought by Mr. Russell, of the scouring mill.

The Dalles is getting a touch of the Belgian hare fever too. Thirty of the little animals arrived here today by express from San Jose. They belong to a number of Dalles parties who clubbed together for their purchase and shipment.

Chicago packers yesterday were asked by the government to furnish 2,000,000 pounds of meat, within thirty days, for the American soldiers in the Orient. This is said to be the largest requisition ever issued by the government of the United States.

Up to the hour of going to press nothing definite had been done in the matter of raising the \$1500 bonus asked by Mr. Smead for the erection of a fruit dryer at this place. The proposition, however, has not been abandoned and may yet be acted on.

The Oregon Press Association will meet this year at Ashland, Or., on September 19th and 20th. Before proceeding to the meeting place they will be guests of the Agricultural State Fair Association at Salem on the 18th, and thence proceed to Ashland.

When wit is kind as well as playful, when information knows how to be silent, as well as how to speak, when good will is shown to those who are absent as well as to those who are present, we may know that we are in good society.—Ladies Home Journal.

The farmers that were in town today from the country south of here all say that the rains yesterday were a benefit rather than an injury. They did no material damage to grain, but on the contrary, laid the dust that had become very annoying and did considerable benefit to the roads.

The boss of the weather bureau down in Portland is making a grand success of his weather predictions. A tab kept on them for the past eight days finds that they were correct just one time. Yesterday's forecast, for example, was "fair and warmer," whereas it rained dogs and cats nearly all day and was cool enough for the idea of November.

Pat Fagan is having his store building, on the southwest corner of Third and Federal, transformed into a ten-room dwelling, which will probably be occupied on completion by Tom Ward, of Ward & Robertson. The building has been raised about five feet and a stone basement is being built under it. As soon as the building is finished the erection of another dwelling on the lot immediately west will be commenced.

Two traveling young men, who are fancy trick bicycle riders, gave an exhibition of their skill on the corner of Third and Washington this forenoon and another at the corner of Second and Washington. They attracted large crowds and performed several new tricks that were very cleverly executed. They announced that they would give another exhibition at 7 o'clock at the corner of Second and Washington. They claim to be students of Stanford University.

California, and are taking this means of raising funds to procure their education.

Matt Basic, of Victor, arrived in town this morning in charge of Constable Hill, charged with having killed an elk about a year ago. Matt, who is a quiet, law-abiding citizen, indignantly denies the charge and proposes to fight the matter to the bitter end. He promptly retained H. S. Wilson and, on being arraigned before Justice Brownhill, pleaded not guilty and the trial was fixed to take place tomorrow morning. He was discharged on giving bonds for his appearance in the sum of \$100.

Referring to an item that lately appeared in the Oregonian relating to an alleged survey for an extension of the Columbia Southern from Shaniko, the Leader says that A. E. Hammond, chief engineer of that road, who has his headquarters at Shaniko, knows nothing of any extension of his company's line, and that if the Columbia Southern had been extended as many times as the papers of the state had said it was going to be extended, it would have by this time been across the continent.

Kansas City has a judge with the wisdom of Solomon. He recently rendered a decision that will interest young men who take their girls out riding. A young man hired a team for that purpose, telling the liveryman the fact, and in the course of the drive the team ran away and demolished the buggy. The owner sued the young man for damages and the judge gave the verdict to the young man, saying it was the duty of the liveryman, knowing that he was going to take a girl out riding, to give him a team that could be driven with one hand.

A man coming up from Portland a few days ago, says the Albany Herald, said he was looking for a steady job. He had been working in Eastern Oregon, where he said the work wasn't steady enough, so he threw up a job he had there and started for the valley. He began work at 4 o'clock in the morning, stopped a few minutes for breakfast, worked until noon, stopped a short time for dinner, worked until 6 o'clock, stopped for supper, and then worked until 9:30, when they quit work entirely—until 4 o'clock next morning. What he wanted was a place where there was work all the time.

The Abilene, Kansas, Reflector of August 2nd tells the following of one George Ogden, formerly a coal dealer of that town but now a drummer for a Kansas City firm: "While in the lobby of an Abilene hotel the other day, Ogden cast reflections on the character of the soldier boys who went to the Philippines and expressed a hope that they would meet with a bad fate. A number of members of the 29th Kansas and others corralled him in front of Hodge Bros' store that afternoon, sent for F. B. Bearce who testified as to what Ogden said and they gave him his choice—to apologize or take the consequences. He got up on a plow, took off his hat and abjectly apologized to the boys. He would have had a mighty rough time if he had not. This is a patriotic town."

Gideon M. Backus, a pioneer of 1848, died at Hood River yesterday morning, after an illness of about three months. He was well known in this state, having settled in Linn county when he first came to Oregon, living on a farm there for twenty-three years. He sold out there and twenty-three years ago went to Hood River, where he has since resided. He was born in Butler county, Ohio, in 1817, but came to Oregon by ox team in 1848 from Indiana. He left eight children, among whom is a daughter, Mrs. F. A. Manzuy, of Hood River; Judge Backus, of Spokane; Aaron and Vess Backus, of Idaho; Joe Backus, of Hood River; Mrs. E. S. Olinger, of Hood River; Mrs. Vince Circle, of Paulina, Or., and Mrs. Lucinda Kyger, of Tucson, Ariz. The burial will take place at Hood River tomorrow.

S. Ban and N. G. Seaman, partners doing business under the firm name of Ban & Seaman, yesterday filed in the clerk's office of this county a lien for \$20,865.86 on that part of the Columbia Southern railroad lying between Moro, in Sherman county, and Shaniko, in Wasco county, forty-six miles, or thereabouts, in extent. The lien is to secure payment for tracklaying and surfacing the part of the road mentioned, which was done under a contract made between Ban & Seaman and A. E. Hammond and Archie Mason, whom Ban & Seaman claim to have been the agents of the Columbia Southern and, in the matter of sub-letting the contract for the work done, to have acted with the knowledge and consent of the Columbia Southern Company. The total amount of Ban & Seaman's claim was \$32,365.86, on which they received on account \$11,500. It should be said that the greater portion of the balance claimed under the lien is for extras and alleged "extra cost and expense of doing the work by reason of interference and unjust treatment of claimants" by the officers of the company.

Friday's Daily.

Salmon fishing closes for the season tonight at 12 o'clock.

Tomorrow's the day when \$1.25 and \$1.50 knee pants go for only 87 cents at A. M. Williams & Co.'s.

Dr. Eshelman this morning received notice of the death at Litchfield, Illinois,

of his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Lucinda Cove, aged 92 years, 6 months and 22 days.

Lace curtains can be bought very cheaply at A. M. Williams & Co.'s tomorrow. Appreciative housekeepers will be there in plenty, therefore be on time.

A carload of fine draft horses were shipped this morning from the Saltmarsh stock yards to the Sound market. There were purchased in Wheeler and Crook counties.

The trial of Matt Basic for the alleged killing of an elk, which was fixed for 2 o'clock this afternoon, has been postponed till tomorrow to enable Game Warden Quimby to be present.

Wednesday the sheriff and health officers of Klickitat county made an investigation of the smallpox case in the settlements east of White Salmon river, and placed guards at each house where the disease is known to exist.

George McLeod, of Kingsley, while in town today said that fall wheat on the Tygh Ridge was turning out to meet the highest expectation. He believes that the average for the Ridge will be forty bushels to the acre, the largest yield the Tygh Ridgers ever had.

The Glacier says the White Salmon farmers whose crops of peaches and tomatoes are just ripening will be unable to ship their produce now that that district is under quarantine. This is certainly hard luck and means the loss of several thousand dollars.

A forest fire, which broke out at the Oregon Lumber Co.'s sawmill at Chenoweth last Friday, destroyed J. Moody's dwelling house and contents, and the Macabee lodge hall. About forty of the mill hands were kept busy preventing the burning of the boarding house.

A party of eight or ten men and youths while indulging last evening in a little good natured scuffling in front of Julius Fisher's barber shop accidentally broke one of the big lights in the window. The racket made by the broken glass frightened the Austrian count out of a week's growth.

Henry Stegman, of Centerville, came to town today to meet his son, Henry, a lad of 12 years, who has been a pupil of St. Joseph's Academy, Independence, Iowa, for the past five years. Mr. Stegman intends to rent a house in The Dalles and have his children attend school here during the coming fall and winter.

D. L. Knebel left at this office today a magnificent peach that was grown on a little tree that he planted a year ago on his lot on Jackson street, in a sand bed that a stranger would not credit with the capacity to produce anything that grows out of the soil. The little tree produced twenty eight of these peaches.

Judge A. L. Miller, of Vancouver, was a passenger on this morning's stage for Goldendale, where he goes to look after his political fences. The judge is a candidate for the superior judgeship of Clark, Cowlitz, Skamania and Klickitat counties, to succeed himself. He has a strong competitor in the person of W. B. Presby, of Goldendale. The republican convention for Klickitat county meets at Goldendale tomorrow.

At a meeting held in Portland yesterday Vice-President Bennett, of the National Wool-Growers' Association, announced that he was in favor of holding the next annual convention in Portland and would present the matter to the association and be ready to announce their decision by September 1st. Resolutions favoring the holding of the convention in Portland and extending a cordial invitation to the association were passed.

The expense of getting up such an exhibit for the Portland carnival as will do justice to Wasco county is considerable, and the local Elks who are managing the affair and who have no more interest in the exhibit than any other class of citizens, apart from farmers and fruit men, will ask the business men of The Dalles to help them bear part of the burden. This is only fair and reasonable. We understand that a committee of Elks will, at an early date, call on the citizens for help in this important work.

John Koberg should hang out his shingle and advertise as an expert surgeon, says the Hood River Glacier. About two months ago three of his fine Jersey calves six months old were caught on the railroad track and each had a leg broken by a passenger train. The bones of their legs were broken clean off and their legs were dangling. He immediately went to work to set the fractures, and with the assistance of his wife, succeeded on all three. After three or four weeks the bandages were removed, and now the calves seem to be all right.

It is a shame and disgrace that the fruit men of this section do not have some organization for the purpose of marketing their fruit. A Mill Creek fruit man got the returns yesterday from ten boxes of pears that he shipped to Portland about ten days ago. They netted him less than five cents a box. The commission man who handled them is not necessarily to blame. They were shipped to a glutted market and the shipper had no means of knowing what he was doing till it was too late. With a properly conducted shipping organization a case of this kind need not occur. It would be the business of the organi-

zation to know the condition of the market before a shipment was made. But these things happen here every day in the week. Car loads of peach plums and prunes were shipped from here last year that were never heard from. Five or six carloads of peach plums are said to have been shipped this season, the returns from which amounted, practically, to nothing. No wonder fruit men get discouraged. Any business conducted as the fruit business is often conducted here, would go to the dogs in no time.

Brome grass experiments have aroused more interest among the agricultural classes in the Northwest than anything tried in that line before. This grass was introduced in Oregon and Washington by R. C. Judson, industrial agent of the O. R. & N. Under the direction of the traffic department of that railroad, Mr. Judson has made a number of tests upon the experimental farms. These experiments proved that it would grow upon semi-arid lands; that it was a good feeder; that it would serve to bind sandy soils together, and possessed other qualities which made it specially fitted for the soils of the arid section of the Northwest.

A good illustration of what a small, legitimate expenditure of money may sometimes effect in the saving of property from destruction by fire is furnished by a little incident that happened at an early hour yesterday morning. When a gentleman, who is employed down town most of the night, reached his home on the bluff he noticed a fire that had broken out in a lot of rubbish back of the postoffice. He immediately rang up the Seufert & Condon central office and in two or three seconds the little red light at Nielsen's corner told Night-watchman Alisky that there was something wrong. In about as short a time as it takes to tell it Alisky was at the fire and had it stamped out. In this particular case the fire in question involved no great risk, but then it might have been far otherwise. A little judicious expenditure of money on a new tower, and a new bell on the bluff might, too, effect a great saving some day.

George P. Higinbotham, a prominent citizen of Moro, Sherman county, today shot a man named Jenkins, the ball entering Jenkin's breast a little below the heart. The shooting took place four miles from Moro. A Moro physician was called to attend the wounded man whose injury is supposed to be fatal. Higinbotham was arrested. The trouble arose over a division of grain. Such is the meager information received at 2 o'clock this afternoon over the long distance phone. Higinbotham is presumed to be a warehouse and livery stable man of Moro. He owns a farm about four miles from Moro that he had rented to a man named Jenkins. It is known here that Higinbotham has been quarrelling with Jenkins all summer and wanted to get him off his place. Higinbotham is said to be a quarrelsome stubborn man.

The local lodge of Elks are making praiseworthy efforts to have Wasco county well represented at the carnival to be held in Portland from the 4th to the 15th of September. They will spare neither money nor effort to make the horticultural and agricultural exhibit from Wasco county a credit to the county and, if possible, the best the county has ever made. At a meeting held at the club rooms last night the following committees were chosen to procure exhibits and in a general way help to promote the object in view: Emile Schanno, chairman and general manager; H. T. Johnston, of Dufur; E. L. Smith, N. C. Evans and J. E. Davidson, of Hood River; C. R. Smead, of Blalock; F. C. Seufert, O. D. Taylor, A. S. Bennett, N. Whealdon, Pete Stadlerman, The Dalles; Charles VanDayn, Tygh; A. Sandos, Mill Creek; George Cooper, Dry Hollow, and A. Stewart, of Mosier. George A. Young and J. M. Russell were appointed a special committee on wool, and John A. Douthit and Hugh Gourlay to represent the press. The Portland carnival committee have offered to give Wasco county any amount of space in the "agricultural palace" that may be considered necessary, from 50 to 150 feet. The O. R. & N. Company offers to carry the exhibits to Portland without charge. It is earnestly hoped that the fruit men and farmers will co-operate with the committees in their effort to make an exhibit that will be a credit to Wasco county as well as to the state. We have the stuff to do it with. Let us show the outside world what we have got.

A good blacksmith is much needed at Victor, this county. A competent man can have all the work he can do, and have the use of a suitable building practically free. Of course he must furnish his own tools and stock. Inquiries made of A. F. Evick, Victor, will be promptly answered. a1-3w

Dissolution Notice.

The copartnership business heretofore conducted at 175 Second street, under the firm name and style of Blakeley & Houghton, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, F. L. Houghton retiring from said firm. The business will be conducted in the future by Geo. C. Blakeley, at the old stand. F. L. Houghton will collect all accounts and pay all liabilities of said firm.

The Dalles, Oregon, July 2, 1900.  
Geo. C. Blakeley,  
F. L. Houghton.

Clark & Falk's drug stock is new, fresh and complete.

PERTINENT PRESS COMMENT.

Revenue in the Cuban treasury is piling up at the regular republican rate.—Topeka, Kan., Capital.

"Gold, ginger and grit" is suggested by the Boston Herald as a war cry. For the other side how would "Silver, shortage and soup" do?—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

In order to show that the public confidence in his bravery has not been misplaced, Governor Roosevelt has consented to make a number of speeches in Kentucky.—Globe-Democrat.

John R. McLean has sent his check to W. J. Bryan for \$25,000. Who says the gas trust isn't willing to "chip in" for democracy? Ice trust next! Then sugar trust! Keep coming.—Lawrenceville, Ill., Republican.

Having criticized Mr. McKinley yesterday for sending troops to China, a certain Bryan organ says today he would better hurry up and save American lives. This is a real anti-expansion idea. Uphold American honor, but maintain no army; don't send soldiers to China, but if Americans perish because no soldiers are sent, denounce the government.—Kansas City, Mo., Star.

When the treaty with Spain was pending Mr. Bryan made a trip to Washington to advise his party friends in the senate to vote for its ratification. He is now running for president on a platform opposing the policies necessarily resulting from the approval of the treaty. Senator Hoar makes an exceedingly serious charge against Mr. Bryan in this connection. The senator says: "I knew from the opponents of the treaty, with whom Bryan labored and who labored with him just what he said and did at that time. He just put his support of the treaty squarely on the ground that it was better to keep the issue for the presidential campaign." It was wholly on party grounds. Senator Hoar asserts that Bryan appeared at the capital to influence votes for the treaty, hoping that it would involve the country in such difficulties that the administration would be ruined and the path made easy for the democratic nominee of 1900, who, as Mr. Bryan knew, would be himself.—Corvallis Gazette.

A Comedy of Errors.

Wednesday's Daily.

A young man named Barnett Stienholt, some nineteen years of age, was brought up from Mosier Tuesday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff Woods, under a warrant of arrest charging him with larceny by bailee. A short time ago Stienholt bought a buggy for \$80 from W. A. Johnston, on a sixty days' note, giving as security a mortgage on the buggy and a span of work horses he claimed he owned and was working in a logging camp near Mosier. It was since discovered that the boy had never worked in any logging camp near Mosier and owned no horses, but, on the contrary, that the horses he exhibited to Mr. Johnston as his own belonged to a party at Mosier and had been hired by Stienholt to be brought here and shown to Mr. Johnston as his own in order to secure the buggy. And to complicate matters still more the lad had given his name as Charles F. Brown and had signed this name, instead of his own, to the note given to Mr. Johnston. When it was learned that Stienholt had sold the buggy to Mr. Husky and was preparing to leave the country, he was promptly placed under arrest. Even as late as yesterday he came here and secured the bounty on a lot of coyote scalps which it is believed he stole; and again he used the name of Chas. F. Brown when taking the necessary oath. Stienholt's parents live at Forest post-office, Wash. They have been written to come and look after him, and in the meantime his lawyers, Messrs. Bennett & Sinnott, have obtained the consent of Justice Bronnhill to have the boy's examination deferred till next Friday morning.

Special Council Meeting.

At the call of Mayor Dufur a special meeting of the city council was held Wednesday in the recorder's office, at which an ordinance was passed making it unlawful for any transportation line running into the city to carry any person or goods into the city from any place where infectious or contagious diseases exist, unless such person or goods has been thoroughly fumigated. The ordinance makes it the duty of the city marshal, when he is informed or has reason to suspect that any infectious or contagious disease exists at or near any station or locality from which any transportation line carries any person or goods to this city, to notify in writing such transportation line of the existence of said disease and command said line not to carry any person or goods from such locality to within the limits of The Dalles until the same are thoroughly fumigated as above provided.

The council passed a resolution to provide for the numbering of the houses of the city as soon as the free delivery system is assured.

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