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## BUILD LARGE HOUSE

Oregon Produce Co. to Erect Big Storage Building.

A Gust of the Oregon Produce Co. certainly has complete confidence in the fair prospects of this county. As a demonstration of his belief in the stability of the industry he yesterday let the contract for the construction of the foundation of a three story sixty by one hundred and ten feet brick and stone cold storage building. This building will cost when completed and equipped with a freezing plant fifty five thousand dollars and will be one of the finest buildings of its kind on the coast. The building will have a capacity of three hundred and fifty cars. This building will give the Oregon Produce Company a plant which will enable it to store over five hundred cars. The Oregon Produce Company when its new building is completed will represent an investment in this city of over one hundred

thousand dollars. The contract for the foundation of the new building was let to contract J. L. Mars who will put it to early completion. He already has a force of men at work getting the rock on the ground and will soon have his part of the work ready for the super structure.

Mr. Gust is building in order to meet the business which he is sure will come with the coming year. His present capacity is sufficient to take care of all present needs. In fact he is now transacting enough business to make the average man head swim. Yesterday he purchased six thousand boxes of apples and is in position to sell many more any time a grower may appear. There is no crop to large or too small for him to handle. He likes small deals first rate and large deals better yet. It is a common saying among those who had been dealing with Mr. Gust that "Gust has the money and the nerve to do business if there is any business in the country. From the looks of things around the Oregon Produce Company's packing house he has certainly found that business can be transacted in this county.

## Strangled To Death

Buffalo, N. Y. Jan. 10.—Investigation into the murder of Josephine Desante who was strangled to death yesterday at the Terrace Hotel discloses that the woman had a life insurance policy in the sum of \$500.00 and that her husband, Antonio Desante, is the beneficiary. The husband has been arrested. It was at first believed that the murder was the work of the "Black Hand."

## BOMB PLACED ON STATUE

An Attempt Made to blow up the Statue of Frederick The Great.

Washington Jan. 10.—An attempt was made shortly after noon today to blow up and demolish the statue of Frederick the Great which is situated in the grounds of the army war college. A soldier on duty who was near the statue saw a strange looking man walk rapidly away from it and jump in a carriage. He gave pursuit but the carriage quietly outdistanced him. At the same time a colored man who had observed the incident hurried up to the statue a smoking object hanging from one of the arms. He grabbed this off quickly and hurled it as far from him as he could. The object

proved to be a bomb and had nearly touched the ground when it exploded with a tremendous noise. No damage was done to the statue. The statue was a recent gift of Emperor William.

Washington Jan. 10.—(later) Further particulars indicate that two white men and a negro were implicated in the outrage. They left a cab, with a small valve containing dynamite with lighted fuse to the fence surrounding the statue and then escaped in a cab said to be one connected with the Penna. street line. The negro who saved the statue is an ordinary day laborer employed in the barracks grounds.

## APPOINT SUB-COMMITTEE

Washington, Jan. 10.—The house committee on interstate and foreign commerce today decided to submit to a sub-committee, composed of five members, all bills relating to legislation to curb the private car line evil. The committee is authorized to favorably report on the Shuckelord resolution calling for investigation of the affairs of the Panama railroad company by a selected committee of the house.

## URGENT ACTION

St. Petersburg, Jan. 10.—The Press today confirms the report that the first division of the Pacific Squadron leave Liban at the end of January and that this division consists of four warships, one cruiser, several torpedo boat destroyers. The Novos Vremya today urged immediate reinforcement of Vladivostok, Island of Sakhalin and Kamohatka. The two latter districts are hard to defend on account of scant population but are rich in minerals and other resources and are especially tempting to the Japanese, to whose scheme for national expansion they are necessary.

## Deadlock Continues

Salem Jan. 10.—The deadlock in the senate continues. Eleven ballots have been taken making sixty four in all for president of the senate resulting in no choice. There is apparently no sign or indications of a break in any of the factions.

## FIGHT WITH MOROS

American Soldiers Killed in an Engagement With Moros.

Manila, Jan. 10.—Word has been received here today of an engagement of the U. S. troops with the Moros on Jan. 8th, on the Island of Jolo, in which engagement Lieut. James J. Jewell and a private of the 14th cavalry were killed. Besides the two killed, several others were wounded, among who were second Lieut. R. W. Ashbrook of the 17th infantry, Capt. Halstead Dory of the 4th infantry, Lieut. R. O. Richardson of the 14th Cavalry, and several privates. The fortress where the fight occurred was captured by the soldiers and afterwards completely demolished.

## Mark Twain Better

New York, Jan. 10.—Samuel L. Clemens, better known as "Mark Twain", who has been suffering severely from acute bronchitis, is now rapidly recovering.

## Procedure Not Settled

Paris, Jan. 10.—The Dogger-Bank committee which convened here yesterday, resumed deliberations this morning. All the questions as to the manner of procedure have not yet been settled.

## HAVE JOINT SESSION

Denver, Jan. 10.—The proposition to merge the interests of both associations into one body in order to fight the beef trust and secure more equitable railroad rates will be the chief topic of the joint meeting of the Nat'l Live Stock and Wool Growers Ass'n which was called to order today. Should a merger be effected, it is the general belief that Pres. Hagenbarth of the Live Stock Ass'n will be chosen as president. W. E. Skinner, Sec'y of the sheep men opposed merger unless they can retain their identity as an industry.

## FAMOUS DENTIST COMMITS SUICIDE

Norlin, Jan. 10.—Dr. Alphonse H. Sylvester, Emperor William's famous American dentist, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself through the head. Dr. Sylvester was a close personal friend of the Emperor. The suicide is due to partial loss of practice, in consequence of the withdrawal of Dr. Watson from the partnership, Watson thus depriving Sylvester of many of his best clients. Sylvester left a statement accusing Watson of disloyalty.

## Will Reinforce Oyama

London, Jan. 10.—The Rome correspondent of the Exchange telegraphs that he hears from New Chawang that fifteen thousand of Nogai's men left Port Arthur to reinforce Oyama at Shakk river.

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## SOME QUESTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

Whereas the Portland Journal has severely criticized the action of the Blue Mountain Grange for passing resolutions at a recent meeting relative to Primary election Law, Local Option Bill also Portage Railway bill which was especially criticized, Resolution is in full as follows:—Resolved by Blue Mountain Grange No. 345 Union Co., Oregon: That we are opposed to the State of Oregon incurring the expense of building the portage railway of the Dalles of the Columbia river for the reason that we do not believe that the benefit to be derived by such building will justify the heavy expenditure necessary to build same.

In fact we entertain very grave doubts whether said road will be of any practical benefit to the region of country which it is expected to serve.

We believe that the ship canal which the Federal Government proposes to build is the only means of material improvement in transportation facilities for the country interested in said improvements.

Therefore be it further resolved that we believe that the great mass of the people of the state of Oregon have formed resolutions to seek relief for themselves through the Initiative Referendum amendment to the Constitution of the State. And we wish here and now to serve notice on the members of the Legislature to keep hands off of any measures adopted by the people by said amendment.

And we will view with extreme disapproval of any such interference.

For while the people will doubtless make some mistakes in exercising this right, they will soon discover the mistake and correct it by the same process.

We desire the Journal to answer the following questions.

1—What will be the cost of transferring freight from boat to railway passing same over portage road and transferring same back to boat again?

2—How much farming land in Ore. is near enough to the Columbia River to be benefited by said Portage road? And on an average how far are these farms from said Columbia River?

3—In view of the fact that there are branch railroads into almost every inland section to accommodate them already. How far can farmers afford to haul produce and be benefited by said portage road?

4—How far can produce be hauled by farmers for the entire amount of freight already charged by Railroad from Arlington to Portland?

5—Why did the O. E. & N. Co. abandon a similar Railroad at the same place and carry freight through direct to Portland if the Portage road is to be such a wonderful benefit to Eastern Oregon.

6—Is this the same Columbia river along which the Railway Co is trying to get some kind of grass to grow to keep the sand from drifting over their road bed?

Fair and honest criticism is all right but sarcasm don't count.

We also endorse the action of the State Grange favoring the passage of a law by the legislature confining the use of the "emergency clause" to cases in which the public peace and safety are in danger.

Done by Blue Mountain Grange 345 at its regular meeting Jan. 7, 1905.

Mattie H. Golden, Sec.  
O. L. Huffman, W. M.

## TO THE PUBLIC:

The rush of Holiday trade is over and business in general has got back to its normal condition. I wish to inform all my patrons, and those not my patrons but who are liable to be, that I am now in a position to take care of all watch, clock and jewelry repairing with dispatch. I have secured all the necessary help in all the latest tools and materials known to the trade, as well as the best workmen that money can procure.

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