

OPIUM CANNOT BE IMPORTED

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—Acting in pursuance of a tacit understanding said to have been reached between President Roosevelt and members of the international opium commission, Dr. H. W. Wiley, chief food and drug inspector of the department of agriculture, issued an order to Collector of Port Frederick S. Stratton yesterday to prohibit the importation of smoking opium at San Francisco and other ports of the Pacific coast.

No more sweeping order affecting the commerce of the port of San Francisco has been issued in 20 years. Figures of the customs house show that the duty on opium has approximated nearly \$1,000,000 a year. As much as \$500,000 has been paid in duty on a single shipment, and opium valued between \$200,000 and \$400,000 is now on its way from China.

Under the new order Collector Stratton will not permit these shipments to land, and Chinatown has begun to retrench itself against the opium famine that it now feels is inevitable.

Imperial Envoy Crusader.
The presence in this country of Tang Shao Yi, the special envoy who passed through San Francisco en route to Washington a week ago to return thanks for the remission of the Boxer indemnity, is believed to have accelerated the issuance of the order by Inspector Wiley. Tang, who was educated in the United States, is one of the most relentless crusaders against the use of opium in the Chinese empire, and has been responsible for the promulgation of many imperial edicts to curb traffic in the drug.

President Roosevelt has been known to be in aggressive sympathy with the propaganda of the international opium commission. When Dr. Hamilton Wright, chairman of the American delegation to the congress that is to meet at Shanghai next January, passed through San Francisco last October he obtained from Chas. B. Whilden, secretary of the state board of pharmacy, a report on the use and sale of smoking opium in California. This report showed that during the 12 months previous to last August 2500 pounds of opium were sold through California dealers for medicinal purposes and 35,000 ounces of morphine and its component salts.

Smoking Drugs Excluded.
The new order directs Collector Stratton to reject all smoking opium and all other opium containing less than 9 per cent of morphine.

It is said there are only 85,000 pounds of opium now in the bonded warehouses of San Francisco, and that amount, with 8000 pounds drawn from the government warehouses yesterday, represents the complete stock of the drug in California.

Opium is brought to San Francisco from Nacao, the Portuguese colony, not far from Hongkong. It is imported ostensibly for Chinese consumption, but as the Chinese are not permitted to import it in their own names the shipments are handled by the brokerage firm of Swayne, Hoyt & Co. The new order will mean the loss of thousands of dollars annually to this firm.

Imported opium sells for \$12 a pound. It is worth about \$6 a pound, and \$6 a pound is collected on it in duty.

MARRIES MAN SHE JILTED.

Widow Keeps Promise Made to Dying Husband.
BELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 5.—News was received here today of the marriage in St. Louis of Mrs. Nellie Oppenheoff of Bellingham, and Charles Oppenheoff of St. Louis, following a 2000-mile trip made by the woman for the purpose of carrying out the behest of her first husband, William Oppenheoff.

The marriage is the culmination of a romance dating back many years to the time when William and Charles Oppenheoff were rivals for the hand of their future wife. Friends of the family say that though the woman finally chose William, she always remained for Charles a sisterly affection, while his attachment for her remained unchanged. William was fully cognizant of their mutual affection, but never expressed the slightest jealousy over it.

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WANTS ALL CHINESE HOME.

Imperial Commissioner Says All Will Leave United States in Ten Years.

WINNIPEG, Manitoba, Dec. 5.—"In ten years there will not be a Chinaman left in the United States or Canada," was the statement made today by Lau Kiv, Imperial investigator appointed by the Chinese government to inquire into mining, agricultural and commercial matters on this continent with a view to the organization of an era of development in China.

With him are Yip Yen and Ou Wan Yow, representing a \$3,000,000 Chinese syndicate. They are seeking in the United States and Canada Chinamen well versed in various lines of trade and commerce.

They will offer on behalf of the syndicate and the government such inducements for Chinamen to return to China and work for the development of the country, that every one who is approached on the subject is expected to respond to the call.

SHUT UP OR QUIT.

Uncle Sam's Pure Food Man Is Accused of Plain Knocking.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Written charges against Dr. Harvey Wiley, head of the bureau of chemistry of the department of agriculture, have been filed with President Roosevelt by representatives of the fruit interests of the Pacific coast, demanding that Dr. Wiley cease all references to sulphured fruit in his public utterances until a board of referees appointed by the president makes a finding on the subject, or until Wiley is ousted from the department. It is claimed that Wiley has endeavored deliberately to discredit Pacific coast dried fruits.

BANKER COMMITS SUICIDE.

Had \$50 in Pocket to Pay Liabilities Amounting to \$450,000.

BERLIN, Dec. 5.—The list of suicides among German bankers in the past few months has been lengthened by the death of Herr Otmair Mueller, owner of a large private banking establishment of Freising. Herr Mueller drowned himself in the River Isar in consequence of business losses. His liabilities are estimated at \$450,000 and his assets of \$50 found on his person.

THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP.

He Gives Out Through His Secretary Some Information About It.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—President Roosevelt, in a statement prepared by Secretary Walcott of the Smithsonian institution, made his first official announcement today regarding his hunting trip to Africa, on which he will start within two weeks after he is released from the presidency. The expedition is outfitted by the Smithsonian institution, the president defraying his own expenses and will gather natural history material for a new national museum.

Mombassa will be reached in April of next year, but no detailed itinerary beyond that place has been made except a general route to Victoria Nyanza, and thence down the Nile to Khartoum, where it is expected the party will arrive about April, 1910.

Besides the president and son, Kermitt, the personnel of the party on leaving New York will consist of the three representatives of the Smithsonian institution, Major Edgar A. Mearns, of the medical corps of the U. S. A., retired; Edmund Heller, graduate of the Stanford class of 1901, who is a thoroughly trained naturalist, and who has collected big game animals in the same part of Africa where Roosevelt will visit; J. Alden Loring, a field naturalist, whose training comprises service in the biological service of the department of agriculture and New York City Zoo, as well as numerous collecting trips.

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BIGGY'S BODY NOT YET FOUND

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—After 48 hours unremitting search, no trace of Chief of Police Biggy's body has been found. Rumors and surmises that the chief is in hiding or has skipped out are without foundation. He had no reason to disappear. The mayor and police commissioners intended to keep him in office, notwithstanding charges that he was incompetent.

Politicians and others are now interested in who will succeed Biggy. President Cutler of the police board is acting chief, and is willing to continue indefinitely. Harry McKanney, the mayor's secretary, who is mentioned as a candidate, emphatically declares he does not want and won't take the job. Other candidates are: General Woodruff, U. S. A., retired; ex-Captain of Detectives John F. Seymour, now chief of the Wells-Fargo detective service; Police Captain Martin, retired for disability, and Secretary Skelly, of the police commission. W. J. Burns has also been mentioned, but the charter provides that all municipal officers must be five years a resident of the city, which, if observed, excluded Burns.

The police, aided by a number of launches and assisted by the marines and soldiers on Alcatraz and Angel Islands, have maintained without interruption the search instituted immediately after the chief's disappearance. Because of complex currents and the action of the tide, it is impossible to calculate just where the body may have been lost.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 3.—The 15-year-old son of W. J. Biggy is a bellboy on the steamship Governor, which arrived in this port last night. The boy did not know of his father's death until he heard passengers discussing the affair. The boy was overcome with grief, but decided to stay with the ship which left for San Francisco late evening. The little fellow's name is W. J. Biggy, Jr.

MRS. WARDWELL DEAD.

Leper Wife of the Late General Wardwell.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 4.—Mrs. J. C. Wardwell, the leper wife of General Wardwell, whose case created such a stir in this community and in Arizona, died this morning of leprosy in the county hospital. Since her return from Arizona and the death of her husband, Mrs. Wardwell has grown steadily worse and her death has been expected for some time.

Her case was the most tragic and to the same time one of the most pitiable of its kind ever recorded. Mrs. Wardwell, who resided with her husband at Sawtelle, was arrested originally on the streets of this city because of her peculiar actions and a subsequent examination proved her to be a victim of leprosy.

Her aged husband refused to leave her, notwithstanding the deadly nature of her affliction, and remained with her in the county hospital. They were finally given passports to Tombstone, Ariz., whence they had come originally. Here, after being exiled to a lonely spot outside of the city, General Wardwell died of cancer and worry over the unfortunate plight of himself and wife.

Failing to interest the federal authorities in the case, the Tombstone officials finally placed Mrs. Wardwell in a locked stateroom on a train and sent her to Los Angeles. Arriving here, she was again turned over to the county authorities and has since been cared for by them.

General Wardwell was a veteran of the civil and Mexican wars, and was known to be an intrepid soldier.

Pointed Paragraphs.

(Chicago News.)
It's queer that well water makes some people ill.
Don't be a dead one until you get ready to give the undertaker a job.
We are all for reform—if it doesn't interfere with our financial interests.

Winter is never so satisfying as when we look forward to it in summer.
The astronomer may be down on his luck even when his business is looking up.
Don't be ashamed to confess your faults. Only fools and liars never make mistakes.

CHILDREN FIGHT WIDOW.

Contest Suit to Set Aside Millionaire Traction King's Will.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—The children of Charles T. Yerkes will resist any attempt of the millionaire's widow, Mary Adelaide Yerkes-Mizner, to break his will. The admission of Executor Louis S. Owsley that Mrs. Mizner would seek to set aside the document to obtain her dower rights was followed by a statement that Charles E. Yerkes of Chicago and Mrs. Bessie L. Rondinella of Philadelphia will fight her suit.

The will contains a special stipulation that the widow shall sign a waiver of her dower rights. It divides the \$15,000,000 estate into four parts, after making numerous bequests, and leaves one-fourth to each of the children, and the remaining two parts to Mrs. Yerkes-Mizner during her life. It is also provided that the widow shall receive \$200,000 outright and like amounts are given to a son and a daughter.

"The difficulty of disposing of the estate," Mr. Owsley said, "grows out of the fact that Mrs. Yerkes is planning to demand her dower instead of accepting what the will allows her."

ADVERTISING MATTER GALORE.
Over Five Tons of Oregon Advertising Matter Shipped Yesterday.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 5.—Over five tons of advertising matter about Oregon were shipped by the passenger department of the Harriman lines from Portland yesterday, bound for every point in the United States and many of the principal cities of Europe. In the shipment were 57 cases weighing 200 pounds each, making the shipment amount to 11,400 pounds of Oregon advertising matter.

The booklets and advertising pamphlets are sent out at this time largely because of the travel next summer. The winter months are conceded to be the best time to distribute booklets on the Pacific coast because the trips made by most travelers to the coast are conceived and planned for between Christmas and the spring months. The advertising work being done for Oregon at present is on the largest scale in the history of advertising anywhere in the world and has far outstripped the famous work done for California.

MILLIONAIRE'S SON A ROBBER.

Charles J. Boyle Confesses to Committing a Series of Crimes.

SALINA, Cal., Dec. 5.—Charles J. Boyle, aged 22, and the son of Henry Boyle, the San Rafael millionaire, received a sentence today, following his conviction of burglary yesterday.

He was a member of the Twentieth United States infantry and was convicted of breaking into a store and stealing a revolver. After his arrest his cache was found in the hills back of the presidio at Monterey, in which were hidden gloves, a gas pipe, slung shot and masks.

He confessed to committing several crimes in San Rafael, including the holding up of 15 men in the barroom of the National hotel. It is claimed Boyle was injured in a football game at school and is irresponsible for his acts.

MELBA AND THE NEWSBOY.

Prima Donna Sends Letter of Thanks and \$25 Check.

LONDON, Dec. 4.—History has repeated itself. Sir Walter Raleigh once placed his velvet cloak down in a muddy street that Queen Elizabeth might keep her feet dry. In the same way Charles Pollock laid his bundle of papers on the footpath from a carriage to a Belfast hotel that Mme. Melba might perform the same feat. The other day Master Pollock, who is 10, received from the prima donna the following letter:

"Ritz Hotel, Piccadilly.
"Dear Boy—I was much touched by your chivalrous thought for me in Belfast the other day, and I shall always remember it with great pleasure.
"I am glad to hear you are a steady, industrious boy, a comfort to your mother, and I know you will grow up a brave, honorable man, for you have already given evidence of the possession of exceptional qualities. You readily sacrificed your little bundle to make an easy path for me, and I hope your path through life may be made easy and bright by the kindness of others.
"I inclose a check for \$25 to buy you some small gift that will remind you of how I appreciate your thoughtfulness. Faithfully yours,
"NELLIE MELBA."

Altogether it is certain that the "modern Raleigh," as young Pollock has been called, will find the evening papers he gallantly sacrificed for the great singer's comfort to be more profitable than any he ever sold.

William Gibson, of the Goldsmiths & Silversmiths' company, London, who sent a check for \$5 for Pollock, has written stating that if it was possible to arrange anything in the matter of the education of the boy he would be pleased to contribute to the extent of \$25 for the first year.

Arrangements will be made to have the boy educated and apprenticed to some trade which he may select.

RECOVERS \$100,000 IN GOLD.

Diver Gets the Treasure Out of the Wrecked Steamer Finance.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—The Meritt-Chapman wreckers went to work early this morning on the Finance, which was sunk in collision with the George.

Captain Mowbray was aboard the wrecker and superintended the task of recovering the \$100,000 in bullion, mainly gold, which, with valuable mail and the jewelry of some passengers, was locked in the vault of the ship. The diver had little trouble in entering the room.

He brought up the coin this afternoon, and it was put aboard a tug and transferred to the steamship Advance.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Or., August 13, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that William A. Sewell, of Coburg, Oregon, who on August 12, 1908, made sworn statement, No. 0758, for N 1/4 N 1/4, Section 24, Township 36 South, Range 2 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver, at Roseburg, Oregon, on the 11th day of February, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Jacob D. Wigle of Coburg, Oregon; Carey O. Smith, of Coburg, Oregon; Thomas G. Green of Coburg, Oregon; Fred Wigle, of Coburg, Oregon.

BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

Notice of School Indemnity Selection.

United States Land Office, Roseburg, Ore., Nov. 6, 1908.

NOTICE is hereby given that the State of Oregon, under the act of Congress, approved June 30, 1906, applied for NE 1/4 NW 1/4, SE 1/4 NW 1/4, and lots 1 and 2 of Sec. 18, T. 34 N. R. 3 W. of W. M., and filed in this office a list of school indemnity selections in which it selected said land; and that said list is open to the public for inspection. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described land or any legal subdivision thereof, or claiming the same under the mining laws, or desiring to show said land to be more valuable for mineral than for agricultural purposes, or to object to said selection for any lawful reason, should file their claims or affidavits of protest or contest in this office.

I hereby designate the Medford Mail, published at Medford, Oregon, as the newspaper in which the above notice is to be published.

Not coal land.

BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

COAL ENTRY.

Land Office at Roseburg, Ore., November 2, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that Aitah Meeker, of Medford, County of Jackson, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office Application to Purchase, under the provisions of Section 2347, U. S. Revised Statutes, the NE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 14, Twp. 37 South, Range 1 West, W. M.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the lands described, or desiring to object for any reason to the sale thereof to applicant should file their affidavits of protest in this office on or before the 22nd day of December, 1908, otherwise the application may be allowed.

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Land Office at Roseburg, Ore., October 30, 1908.

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NOTICE OF SALE.

Huldah Colver Estate, Executor's Notice of Sale of Real Property. Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the County Court of the State of Oregon, in and for the County of Jackson, made and entered on the 30th day of October, 1908, in the matter of the estate of Huldah Colver, deceased, the undersigned, the executor of said estate, will from and after the 5th day of December, 1908, at the premises and his residence near Phoenix, Oregon, in said Jackson County, proceed to sell at private sale to the highest bidder for cash in hand, subject to the confirmation of said County Court all the right, title and interest the said Huldah Colver had at the time of her death in and to the following described real property, situated in Jackson County, Oregon, to-wit:

Beginning at a point which bears north 44.70 chains and east 16.20 chains from the southwest corner of donation land claim No. 42, in township 28 south of range 1 west of the Willamette Meridian, and running thence east 45.15 chains; thence north 51.85 chains; thence west 32.24 chains; thence south 19 degrees west, 31.67 chains; thence north, 71 degrees west, 3.49 chains; thence north 15 degrees and 45 minutes west, 10.28 chains; thence north 9.50 chains; thence north, 21 degrees and 45 minutes east, 10 chains; thence west, 9.82 chains; thence south 21.59 chains; thence south 37 degrees east, 13.70 chains; thence south, 53 degrees west, 4.29 chains; thence south 37 degrees east, 2.04 chains; thence south 46 degrees and 15 minutes east, 3.63 chains; thence south 19 degrees east, 5.45 chains; thence south, 37 degrees east, 1.82 chains; thence south, 40 degrees east, 4.54 chains; thence south, 53 degrees west, 0.23 chains; thence south, 37 degrees east, 0.91 chains; thence south, 53 degrees west, 1.21 chains; thence south, 27 degrees east, 1.04 chains to the place of beginning, containing 250.94 acres; also a tract of land 50 feet wide and 300 feet long on west side of the block No. 8, village of Phoenix. Will be sold in tracts from 25 acres down in size.

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ELMER G. COLEMAN,

Executor of the Estate of Huldah Colver, deceased.

W. I. VAWTER, M. PURDIN, Attorneys for Estate.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.
In the Matter of the Estate of W. H. Bradshaw, deceased. Notice is hereby given, that by an order of the County Court of Jackson County, Oregon, made and entered on the 27th day of October, 1908, the undersigned was appointed, and is now duly qualified and acting Administrator of the estate of W. H. Bradshaw, deceased.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present same, properly verified, to me or my attorneys, at the Medford National Bank at Medford, Oregon, within six months from this date, to-wit:

W. B. JACKSON, Administrator. Dated October 30, 1908. COLVIG & REAMES, Attorneys for Estate.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Ore., June 19, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that Mary A. Coffin, of Boise, Ada County, Idaho, who, on June 18, 1908, made Sworn Statement, No. 10159, for South 1/2 of the South 1/4, Section 8, Township 32 South, Range 2 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver at Roseburg, Oregon, on the 19th day of January, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Warren Beatty, of Roseburg, Oregon; Grant Taylor, of Roseburg, Oregon; Hugh Miller, of Oakland, Oregon; Mark Coffin, of Boise Idaho.

BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Ore., October 13, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that James H. Patterly, of Medford, Oregon, who on October 26, 1908, made Sworn Statement, No. 01548, S. R. 13195, for E 1/4 of SE 1/4, Section 26, Township 35 South, Range 3 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final five year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. H. Canon, U. S. Commissioner, at Medford, Oregon, on the 18th day of December, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses: Jack Tungate, of Butte Falls, Oregon; Albert M. Shafer, of Medford, Oregon; Edward Cowden, of Butte Falls, Oregon; Buel Hildreth, of Butte Falls, Oregon.

BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as the guardian of the estate of David Comstock, an insane person, has filed his final account in the matter of said estate, with the County Court of Jackson County, Oregon, and that Friday, the 27th day of November, 1908, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon has been set by said Court has the time and the court room of said Court in the Court House at Jacksonville, Oregon, as the place for hearing objections thereto and the settlement thereof.

Dated and first published October 30, 1908.

W. T. YORK, Guardian of the estate of David Comstock, an