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The Weather

Fair tonight and Sunday; warmer except near the coast; northwest winds.

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VAWTER WOULD HAVE WATER BROUGHT FROM BIG BUTTE NO ADVERSE REPORT TO MAKE COAL COMPANY TURNS DOWN PROPOSITION RECENTLY MADE

NO ADVANCE IN APPLE RATE

District Freight Agent Advises Tribune There Is No Increase

C. A. Malboeuf, district freight agent of the Southern Pacific, notified the Tribune today that the changes made in apple rates do not in any way advance the rates from Southern Pacific points in Oregon.

IF OPEN DITCH IS FEASIBLE THEN IT IS MADE POSSIBLE

Canal Can Be Constructed for \$2500 a Mile—Fifteen Miles of Pipe Required—Total Cost About Two Hundred and Twenty Thousand Dollars.

W. I. Vawter spent all of the morning in consultation with members of the water committee and Engineer Roberts going into the merits of a plan to bring water to this city from Big Butte.

GERMAN SHIP IS UNWELCOME

Turns Up Suddenly As the English Maneuvers Are Being Conducted

LONDON, Aug. 29.—British naval officers in charge of the torpedo boat maneuvers in the Tyne today were thrown into a rage by the sudden appearance in their midst of the German torpedo boat D 5, which they suspect of having been sent on a spying expedition.

NO ADVERSE REPORT TO MAKE

Engineer Roberts Is Pleased With Conditions Encountered While Investigating New Offer

"So far there is nothing adverse to report to the water committee or the city council. There is at the present time approximately 600 inches of water at the intake of the canal of the Sterling Mining company and the water is splendid."

ATLANTIC FLEET AT MELBOURNE

Welcome Out-ranks Any Extended So Far—City Is Crowded With Visitors

MELBOURNE, Aug. 29.—The Atlantic fleet arrived here at 3 o'clock this afternoon and was accorded a welcome that outranked in magnificence anything so far on this eventful trip.

EASTERN MAN WOULD DEVELOP LOCAL COAL MINE IF ALLOWED

Representative Has Been in Medford for Some Time Endeavoring to Get Hold of Local Mine Southeast of This City.

The Medford Coal company, owners of the local coal mine southeast of this city, who recently sold their property to the Pacific Coal company, receiving a \$10,000 payment, Friday turned down a proposition made to them by B. F. Murphy of Chicago through his representative, John F. Mundy, who has been in Medford for some time negotiating the deal.

BEST PRICES FOR PEARS

Rogue River Valley Growers Will Obtain Big Price For Their Fruit

That local growers will receive for their pears net what California growers received gross is the opinion expressed by L. D. Harris, formerly manager of the Lewis orchards, who returned to this city yesterday after an extended trip to eastern points.

EIGHT MORE VICTIMS OF SOUTHERN CLOUDBURST

EL PASO, Tex., August 29.—Eight more victims of the cloudburst which flooded Folsom, N. M., were recovered today, according to reports received here. This makes the list total 23. None of the bodies found today was identified.

Five of the victims were traveling men, who were asleep in the hotel when the great wall of water swept down upon the town. The hotel was destroyed and the occupants swept away and drowned. Their clothes and effects are scattered over the valley and there is no possible means of learning their names at this time.

Practically the whole town, which had 500 inhabitants, was destroyed by the rush of water, and the survivors are in great need of aid. Relief is being rushed from the nearest cities, but railroad conditions are bad and travel is slow.

One report received here says that the water came down the valley in a solid wall 15 feet high. The disaster happened at midnight, when the little town was asleep and for this reason it is believed that many were drowned in their beds and their bodies still remain in the flooded houses.

The bodies were scattered by the flood over the valley for 15 miles below the town.

GEORGE NOLAN TO SUCCEED JUDGE BENSON

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 29.—Governor Chamberlain announced on the stand yesterday that he had appointed George Nolan circuit judge at Klamath Falls to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge Benson.

Judge Nolan was a prominent barrister here till about two years ago, when he left for Klamath Falls and engaged in the practice of law with Richard S. Smith. He was city attorney here for two years and presidential elector in 1892. He was also a member of the board of pilot commission till the time of his departure for Klamath Falls. Judge Nolan is a Democrat.

HARRIMAN WILL STOP AT ALBANY

ALBANY, Or., August 29.—So many cities in Oregon have sent him invitations to visit them that E. H. Harriman, who is spending a few weeks at Peljean Bay lodge, has wired J. P. O'Brien of the Albany Herald that he will stop off at Albany.

Speeding today to Newark, N. J., where Smith has been forcing his claims, his "lost" daughter, Miss Lilian Smith, is on her way to receive her portion of the money her father has secured. She has been employed as kitchen girl in a boarding house in Shennonsburg, Ia., for some time. Now she will get \$61,000.

Smith brought suit for recovery of the money last spring and has since traveled over America and Europe in obtaining necessary evidence to support his claim.

TRAFFIC MANAGERS TO MEET IN CHICAGO

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., August 29.—Edward Chambers, traffic manager of the Santa Fe railroad in this city, left today for Chicago, where he has been suddenly called by his chief to a conference. As the Harriman interests have already ordered H. A. ones, freight traffic manager of the Southern Pacific to the same destination, the inference is drawn here that a general traffic conference of the transcontinental lines is contemplated.

CHINESE GIRLS REFUSED ENTRANCE TO SCHOOLS

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., August 29.—Three Chinese girls who have been raised in an American mission, are today considering employing legal aid to force the San Francisco board of education to permit them to attend the white schools of this city. They were refused admission today on a written opinion of City Attorney Long, who holds that the board of education is compelled by law to permit no orientals in the white schools of the city as long as the oriental school is in existence.

SMITH REPORTED TO HAVE WON CONTEST TO ESTATE

NEW YORK, August 29.—Frank Peterson Smith, the so-called "lost heir," to the estate of Charles L. Fair of San Francisco, and a brother of Mrs. Fair, who with her husband was killed in an automobile accident in France has won his contest for a portion of the estate, according to the best information obtainable here today. Smith was fighting to recover one-seventh of the \$8,000,000 estate from Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt and Mrs. Herman Oelrichs, in whose hands it had been left.

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MAURICE SAYER WILL MEET LITTLE PACKY M'FARLAND

MILWAUKEE, Wis., August 29.—Maurice Sayers today accepted an offer to fight a 25-round battle at the Jeffries Los Angeles club, taking on Owen McFarland, or the winner of the Owen-Welch go, as the management may decide.

RACING PROGRAM OPENS AT CALIFORNIA FAIR

SACRAMENTO, Cal., August 29.—With blooded horses from all parts of the state entered in the different events, the racing program of the 55th annual state fair opened today at the great park before a big crowd of spectators. Interest in the racing program has been keen for the past several days, and with the opening card today lovers of horse flesh turned out en masse.

GRANDSTAND COLLAPSES AT SOUTHERN OREGON FAIR

MARSHFIELD, Or., August 29.—A small percentage of Marshfield's population is either swathed in bandages and spending the day at home or limping about the streets receiving the hearty congratulations of their remarkable escape from more serious injuries or possible death when a section of a grandstand seating 500 persons collapsed yesterday at the Southern Oregon district fair.

BRIDE 62 YEARS OLD LEAVES 70-YEAR HUSBAND

PHOENIX, Ariz., Aug. 29.—After quarreling with her husband of 70 years, George Washington Sparks, his bride of three months, formerly Miss Villa Davidson of Albany, Or., who herself has passed the 62-year mark, today started for her Willamette valley home.

DIVORCE ASKED BECAUSE HUSBAND BOUGHT ICE CREAM

LOS ANGELES, Cal., August 29.—Charged with buying ice cream soda for a neighbor, whose photographs are allowed to be the chief adornment of his home, James J. Jones of Pasadena is today the defendant in a divorce suit.

TAFT DELAYED BY WRECK OF FREIGHT TRAIN

ATHENS, O., August 29.—William H. Taft arrived here today. The train on which Taft came here was delayed by a freight wreck ahead of it, and arrived three hours behind the schedule. He is on his way to Middle Bass island, and was greeted at the station by a great crowd of veterans of the civil war, who are holding a reunion with the veterans of the Spanish war. The old soldiers cheered the big candidate with great enthusiasm. Taft made a ten-minute address of an entirely non-political nature, dwelling mainly upon the honors due the soldiers who fight and risk their lives for their country.

ENGINEERING PROBLEM

There remains the problem of getting the water across Poor Man's divide. Engineer Foster of the company claims that he can make the elevation. Engineer Roberts states that he would have to investigate the matter before expressing his opinion one way or the other.

ONE THING IS ASSURED

There is a sufficient amount of water, and the quality of the water is unquestioned.

EVERYTHING FAVORABLE

Every matter thus far looked into by the engineer has proved to be what the men making the offer have stated. There remains but the engineering problems, which give promise of being readily solved.

THE WATER AT THE INTAKE

The water at the intake, according to the engineer, is of splendid quality. He states that it would be extremely difficult for any one to tell it from Wasson canyon or Little Butte water. The manner in which a canal could be constructed would be such as to insure the purity of the water.