

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

A. E. Tethrow was in town Monday.

Geo. Conn of Airlie was in town Friday.

B. Tarter of Airlie was in town Monday.

Ed Owen was home from Salem over Sunday.

E. E. Jarvis made a trip to Portland last week.

Lloyd Flickenger and wife of near Suver were in town Monday.

Mrs. Clarence Ireland of near Monmouth was among us Monday.

FIRE INSURANCE, see T. R. Nunn Real Estate, Independence.

John Cox and Ellis Dodson of Airlie was on our streets Monday.

T. H. Brinkley spent Sunday at the home of Homer Link on the Luckiamute.

E. L. Buchanan was a passenger Tuesday afternoon to Portland for a few days visit.

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S. H. McElmurry, S. E. Irvine and Frank Fluke attended court at Dallas the first of the week.

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W. H. Craven is having cement walks put around his new residence property on Monmouth street.

A new cement walk is being placed in front of the Byers property on Fourth Street. This will make a decided improvement.

F. B. Chute and wife returned Sunday evening from Marion county after spending Thanksgiving day at the home of Mr. Chute's parents.

FRANK T. O'HAIR



Frank T. O'Hair, the Democrat who defeated Uncle Joe Cannon for Congress in Illinois.

Brief News of the Week

Fire destroyed the provision house of Armour & Co., at the Union stock yards in Chicago, causing a loss estimated at \$200,000.

An amendment to the state constitution making the teaching of patriotism in the public schools compulsory was recommended by the Utah Teachers' association.

The liberty bell petition, mounted on a huge reel and containing the signatures of nearly 500,000 school children of California, has been started on its journey to Philadelphia.

The Chinese Six companies of San Francisco and other Chinese organizations have posted notices urging every Chinese to be ready to contribute at least \$10 for a fund for a war between China and Russia.

The constitutional amendment providing woman suffrage in Michigan was defeated by 594 votes, according to figures compiled in the secretary of state's office at Lansing from every

The Monitor is receiving entreaties asking it to back Teal for Secretary of the Interior. Teal may be a good man but King might be a better one. We know King is well acquainted with this section of Oregon and especially with the development needs of the great interior of the entire state.

W. A. Leonard of Independence, formerly proprietor of the Hotel Brownsville was in the city Saturday and closed a deal with H. E. Hilleary whereby he became the owner of the Hilleary Hardware stock of goods and Mr. Hilleary's residence property on North Main Street.

In the deal Mr. Hilleary becomes owner of Mr. Leonard's Portland property.

In this connection the Times is informed that Mr. Leonard and Mr. George Evans, who is at present erecting a concrete block on Spaulding avenue, will form a partnership for the conducting of a general hardware business in this city states the Brownsville Times.

TWO NEW HOMES TO GO UP

Am. Cackle and father purchased two lots this week from Mrs. Martha A. Hill on South Main street and two fine, modern residences are to be erected on the property at once.

TWO LOTS OF HOPS SOLD

T. A. Livestock & Co. purchased the Verd Hill crop of hops consisting of 117 bales this week. The price paid was 15c. The hops were shipped out by auto truck to Salem and from there on to California.

O. D. Rider disposed of his crop this week to William Brown.

county in Michigan. A public consistory, always an event of worldwide importance in Roman Catholic church circles, opened in Rome Monday. Announcement is made that no new cardinals are to be created at this time.

Three laborers working on the city dump at Kansas City uncovered bonds having a face value of \$149,000. The bonds were part of loot obtained by thieves who stole two registered mail cars while on route to the postoffice from a Kansas City railway station.

The American Red Cross has cabled \$1000 each to the Bulgarian and Serbian Red Cross societies and a similar amount to Ambassador Rockhill at Constantinople, as well as \$500 to the Greek Red Cross. These contributions bring the American total up to \$68,855.

People in the News

Woodrow Wilson has written a letter to William J. Bryan, inviting him to a conference after Mr. Wilson returns from Bermuda.

William P. Jackson, republican national committeeman for Maryland, was appointed to succeed the late United States Senator Rayner.

Charles H. Hyde, former city chamberlain of New York, was found guilty of bribery in connection with the performance of his duty as a city official.

Blanche Lyon Bates, actress, and George Creel, commissioner of Denver, were married at Miss Bates' country home in Newcastle, a suburb of New York.

Chicago friends of Willis L. Moore, of the United States weather bureau, have started a movement recommending him for a cabinet position as secretary of agriculture.

Colonel Daniel M. Randall, sergeant-at-arms of the United States senate, former United States marshal for the District of Columbia, is dead as the result of an operation.

E. W. Chaffin, prohibition candidate for president at the recent election, has announced that he would make an effort to carry Arizona for prohibition at the state election in 1914.

Robert H. Martin, the stenographer who accompanied John Schrank after he had shot Colonel Roosevelt in 1911

wounded, is the proud possessor of a handsome gold watch, a Thanksgiving gift from Roosevelt in appreciation of the act.

COURT SPLITS BIG HARRIMAN MERGER

Anti-Trust Law Held to Be Violated By Combination of Two Roads.

Washington.—The great Harriman merger, created when the Union Pacific Railroad company bought 46 per cent of the stock of the Southern Pacific system, was split by the supreme court of the United States as a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Then, with the end of the merger before it, the court sent forth its portentous declaration that "while the law may not be able to enforce competition, it can reach combinations which render competition impracticable."

The court in substance decided that the roads were competitors and that it was just as much a violation of the law for one road to buy the controlling stock of a competitor as it was for a holding company, as in the Northern Securities case, to buy the controlling stock of two competing companies.

The circuit court for the district of Utah was directed to supervise the separation of the two roads after hearings and in emergency to appoint a receiver to sell the stock. The Union Pacific, if the circuit court sees proper, may retain control of the old Central Pacific line from Ogden to San Francisco.

It is the general belief here that the application of the decision to the railroad situation of the country will be widespread, placing a powerful precedent in the hands of the attorney-general to prevent the consolidation of competing roads.

The government's fight against the Union Pacific merger began in 1908. The case was built largely around the purchase by the Union Pacific railroad company in 1901 and 1902 of 46 per cent of the stock of the Southern Pacific company, referred to as ordinarily a controlling interest.

O'NEIL JURY DISAGREES

Mistrial Results in Case Involving Prominent Idaho Men

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.—The jury in the case of the state of Idaho against Barney F. O'Neil, charged with making a false report of the condition of the State Bank of Commerce, now in the hands of a receiver, failed to agree on a verdict and were discharged. The case has been on trial for three weeks and came here on change of venue from Wallace.

The jury at first stood 7 to 5 for conviction and finally reached 10 to 2, but could not get further.

O'Neil was president of the bank. He has been state senator, chairman of the republican state central committee and was a candidate for governor two years ago, but was beaten by James H. Brady, then governor, by a small majority.

First Cash Deficit Since 1908

New York.—For the first time since January 4, 1908, the bank statement Saturday showed an actual deficit in the cash reserve of the associated institutions of \$5,657,950. It was declared that this deficit was due entirely to the demand for money to move the bumper crops of the present year and will soon be made up.

ARMISTICE TO STOP WAR OPERATIONS

London.—The terms of the armistice which will be signed in a few days, according to reports from Constantinople, provide that the armies shall remain in their present position and cease entrenching, reinforcing or bringing up ammunition. Adrianople and Scutari shall not be evacuated, but their garrisons shall receive rations daily sufficient for one day.

Bulgaria is willing that Adrianople shall remain Turkish, providing Turkey will pay an indemnity of \$250,000,000.

It is expected the armistice will extend for about a fortnight if necessary and cover the whole field of operations. The difficulty with respect to the beleaguered garrisons of Adrianople and Scutari is being surmounted by permitting them to receive daily rations during the armistice.

The plenipotentiaries appear to have been concerned so far solely in arranging armistice, but the peace conference is expected to begin immediately, probably at Sofia.

As Bulgaria already has shown greater forbearance than has been looked for in waiving her demand for the surrender of Adrianople, while at the same time Turkey cannot hope to obtain better conditions by continuing the struggle, a strong feeling is entertained that the last shot in the war will have been fired when the armistice is signed.

Market Surplus Horses.

Avoid keeping too many horses on the farm. Get rid of surplus horses if they are not making money. Do not allow them to eat up the profits which the useful ones earn.

CLEAN FEED LOTS PAY GOOD PROFITS

Discussing the causes that operate to prevent the making of satisfactory gains on cattle, a Missouri correspondent of Iowa Homestead calls attention to the importance of keeping the feed lot clean and comfortable. He says:

Many men have tried to make a profit from feeding live stock for market because they have failed to provide a clean and sanitary feed lot for their fattening animals. Live stock that are compelled to wade knee deep in the mud and sleep in damp, unsheltered places cannot make satisfactory gains in flesh condition.

Every feed lot should be provided with a windbreak on the two sides that are most exposed to the coldest winds and storms. Water tanks should be placed in an elevated position, for many times the fattening animals will go without water rather than wade through a deep mudhole to get to the drinking place.

On the farm where considerable straw is produced it should be used in liberal quantities about the feed



The Shorthorn approaches the ideal as a beef producer. The head is expressive, being rather broad across the forehead. The neck is moderately thick and set well into the shoulders, which when viewed from the front are wide, showing thickness through the heart, the breast coming well forward and the forelegs short and wide apart. The hind quarters are long and well filled in. The hind legs should be short and stand wide and straight. The bull shown was champion Shorthorn at the Iowa state fair.

lots. Some of it will be eaten and the balance tramped into the mud to make manure and keep the yard dry. In applying straw to the surface of the feed yards a large application at first is better, as it will form a layer between the soil and the balance of the straw and manure and make it much easier work to clean the yards than when a little at a time is hauled to the yard, and it is tramped into the mud and mixed, adding much to the bulk of the manure and making it harder to work up when the yards are cleaned in the spring after the top soil and manure have become thoroughly mixed.

By making the feed lot comfortable for the stock, by using the straw in the feed lots and stables, it is where it should be in the spring—in the manure heap—and not in unsightly piles in the field to be worked around or moved out of the way. Few farmers realize the increased profits they could make from their feeding operations if they would make their animals comfortable. The comfort that can be had by keeping the feed lots clean saves much feed, besides causing the farmer practicing it to take more pride in his business.

To this might be added that in many cases muddy feed lots are partially due to the fact that no attempt is made to prevent the water from the roofs of farm buildings from flooding the yards. Compared with the daily cost of feeding a bunch of cattle the cost of a small amount of extra roughing is a small matter, and where bedding is scarce extra roughing alone will often make the difference between foul feed yards and yards that are reasonably clean.

Longevity of Dairy Cows.

Professor C. H. Reckles of the Missouri experiment station sums up his investigations along the line of the profitable longevity of dairy cows in part as follows:

Probably the majority of dairy cattle are rejected from the herd on account of failure to breed or from other trouble before the effect of advancing years can be observed in any marked extent. It is a fact often observed that a cow may make her best record when ten or eleven years old, although as a rule, she does her best rather earlier. If a dairy cow continues to breed she usually shows no marked decline until at least twelve years old. Occasionally a cow continues to breed until she is sixteen or eighteen years old.

Economy of Silage.

A ton of silage is the cheapest food that we can produce when considered from an economical standpoint. One acre of corn will make from twelve to twenty tons of silage equal in feeding value to six or eight tons of hay, besides occupying one-third or one-fourth as much space when stored and costing less to harvest. A cow that is fed silage and clover or alfalfa hay will give a large amount of milk with the addition of a small amount of grain.

Hog Cholera Serum.

Last May R. L. Miller of Mayetta, Kan., bought 430 head of 100 pound hogs at Kansas City yards at a time when his hogs at home were suffering from so called hog cholera. As the regulations for interstate shipment require, these hogs were dipped and vaccinated. When brought home they were turned in with the sick herd which was then vaccinated also. A few of the sick hogs died, but not one of the shots, and of course Mr. Miller is a firm believer in the serum treatment.—Kansas Farmer.

Saving at the Spigot.

Sixty-one per cent of the stallions in use in the middle west are grades and many of them are scrubs. These and

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Slop For Hogs.

One of the things necessary to consider as important is to be sure that the hogs must be made to drink plenty of water in winter, and, in order to do this, a part of their feed should be given as slop.

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Chaire Irvine, Sec. H. Mattis on, W. M.

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O. E. S.

Meets Second and Fourth Tuesdays of each month in the Masonic Hall. Margaret Pomeroy, Secretary.

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WOODMEN OF THE WORLD

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