NEWS OF NORTHWEST

Items of General Interest Gleaned From the Sterling Pacific States.

A Wheat Producer.

Uniontown, Wash., claims for the enthusiastic owner of the Palouse country the distinction of being the greatest wheat-producing section of the world. Within a radius of six miles of that thriving town there were raised this year upwards of 1,500,000 bushels of wheat, with good crops of barley, oats, hay, vegetables, etc. Fall wheat averaged from 42 to 52 bushels to the acre and spring wheat 25 to 30 bushels. If any other ambitious corner of the world desires to contest honors for supremacy in grain-raising the opportunity is offered.

Telephone Extension.

The Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone Company will soon connect Hailey, Idaho, with all prominent places by long distance telephone. A line will be constructed from Boise to Camas Prairie, thence to Hailey by the Gold Belt, and then to Blackfoot. Hailey will be the headquarters of the 300-mile line between the Utah & Northern and Boise. Telephone lines are being extended over the principal parts of Burns, Or., and the Prineville Telephone Company is making extensive improvements.

Hops.

A contract to sell 12,000 pounds of the 1899 hops at 20 cents per pound has been made by Daniel Cavanaugh to Fisher & Seis, of Albany. Prospects for fair prices for this year's crop are very flattering. Hop men in Oregon who held their crops and thus obtained better prices are now out of debt for the first time in several years. Horst Bros. bought several lots at North Yakima within 10 days at 12½ and 13 cents.

Advance in Eggs.

Eggs are worth 50 cents a dozen at Colfax, Whitman county. It would seem policy for the Whitman farmers to raise a million or two bushels less wheat and put in a few acres of hens. It is much cheaper to raise a dozen eggs than a bushel of wheat, yet Whitman and other Eastern Washington counties, which produced nearly 15,000,000 bushels of wheat last year, import thousands of dollars' worth of dairy and hog products and eggs every year.

Canyonville Industries.

The growing and shipping of fruit in the vicinity of Canyonville is now so far advanced as to bring in considerable of a revenue. Prunes to the amount of 1,500,000 pounds have been sold at the average rate of over three cents per pound, bringing in over $48,000. Shippers are now getting ready large consignments of winter apples, and the prevailing price for turkeys is from 9 to 10½ cents gross. Lime, sulphur and salt for spraying purposes are now in demand.

Bromine-Chlorine Plant.

An innovation in mining that will be of the greatest value to the people of Eastern Oregon is the establishment at Baker City of a bromine chlorine plant, for the working of refactory ores, which have hitherto been considered as worthless. The Golconda plant, being erected by J. G. English and others, and which is expected to be in operation very soon, will increase to a great extent the business of the Baker City merchants.

Lime Shipments.

The Tacoma & Roche Harbor Lime Company, which is the chief lime works in the Northwest, shipped 100,000 barrels last year, against 90,000 in 1897. The increase was both foreign and local, and the president, J. S. McMillin, says he expects an increase this year of at least 50 per cent, basing his estimates on trade conditions and orders now on hand. This business is a fair indicator of the demand for building material.

Big Cargo to the Orient.

The N. Y. K. steamship Riojun Maru sailed from Seattle last week for the Orient, with one of the heaviest cargoes ever taken from that port. The freight included 4,000 bales of cotton, 13 carloads of pig lead, 14 cars of wood pulp, besides a great quantity of flour and miscellaneous goods. Another cargo soon to be shipped to the same port will contain 700 tons of salted salmon, brought over from the Fraser river.

Bids for County Bonds.

The county commissioners of Gallatin county, Mont., received bids last Monday for the purchase of funding bonds to the amount of $137,000. These bonds are made payable in 20 years, and are to bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually in the city of Bozeman. The county reserves the right to redeem any of the bonds after 10 years, by giving 60 days' notice.

Flax Industry Growing.

A result of recent agitation throughout Oregon for the cultivation of flax, as a commercial commodity, is the sowing of a considerable acreage this fall to flaxseed. The Portland Linseed Oil works is furnishing seed to farmers on application, agreeing to take their pay from proceeds of crops raised, for which crop they will contract at prices that mean handsome returns.

New Bank Proposed.

A new bank, the second in the town, is a new project now being planned for Lewiston, Mont. The capital is expected to be $100,000, of which amount Fergus county people have already subscribed for $60,000 worth. George Bach, formerly of Utica, will be cashier, and the principal promoters are H. Hodgson, David Hilger, Herman Otten and Louis Landt. The bank will open its doors in perhaps a week or two.

During the season the Northern Pacific has shipped from the ranges to Eastern terminals for Northwestern and Chicago markets 10,000 head of cattle, an increase of 5,000 over the previous season; 515,000 head of sheep, an increase of 15,000, and 3,000 horses, an increase of over 50 per cent. The present season has not yet closed.

According to the correspondent in the Spokane Review, the mining town of Republic in Eastern Washington offers exceptionally fine opportunities to capital to erect waterworks. It appears water is now selling at 50 cents a barrel.

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

Portland Market.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 60c; Valley, 62c; Bluestem, 63c per bushel.

Flour—Best grades, $3.20; graham, $2.65; superfine, $2.15 per barrel.

Oats—Choice white, 40@41c; choice gray, 39@40c per bushel.

Barley—Feed barley, $22@24; brewing, $23.50 per ton.

Millstuffs—Bran, $17 per ton; middlings, $22; shorts, $18; chop, $16.00 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, $9@10; clover, $7@8; Oregon wild hay, $6 per ton.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 50@55c; seconds, 45@50c; dairy, 40@45c store, 25@30c.

Cheese—Oregon full cream, 12½c; Young America, 15c; new cheese, 10c per pound.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, $2.25@3 per dozen; hens, $3.50@4.00; springs, $1.25@3; geese, $6.00@7.00 for old, $4.50@5 for young; ducks, $5.00@5.50 per dozen; turkeys, live, 15@16c per pound.

Potatoes—70@85c per sack; sweets, 3c per pound.

Vegetables—Beets, 90c; turnips, 75c per sack; garlic, 7c per pound; cabbage, $1@1.25 per 100 pounds; cauliflower, 75c per dozen; parsnips, 75c per sack; beans, 3c per pound; celery 70@75c per dozen; cucumbers, 50c per box; peas, 3@3½c per pound.

Onions—Oregon, 75c@$1 per sack.

Hops—15@17c; 1897 crop, 4@6c.

Wool—Valley, 10@12c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 8@12c; mohair, 26c per pound.

Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 4c; dressed mutton, 7½c; spring lambs, 7½c per lb.

Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, $4.25; light and feeders, $3.00@4.00; dressed, $5.00@5.50 per 100 pounds.

Beef—Gross, top steers, 3.50@$3.75; cows, $2.50@3.00; dressed beef, 5@6½c per pound.

Veal—Large, 6@6½c; small, 7@8c per pound.

Seattle Markets.

Onions, 85@90c per 100 pounds.
Potatoes, 20$@25.
Beets, per sack, 75c.
Turnips, per sack, 50@75c.
Carrots, per sack, 45@60c.
Parsnips, per sack, $1.
Cauliflower, 50@90c per doz.
Celery, 35@40c.
Cabbage, native and California $1.00@1.50 per 100 pounds.
Apples, 35@50c per box.
Pears, 50c@$1.50 per box.
Prunes, 50c per box.
Butter—Creamery, 27c per pound; dairy and ranch, 18@22c per pound.
Eggs, 27c.
Cheese—Native, 12@12½c.
Poultry—Old hens, 14c per pound; spring chickens, 14c; turkeys, 16c.
Fresh meats—Choice dressed beef steers, prime, 6½@7c; cows, prime, 6½c; mutton, 7½c; pork, 6@7c; veal, 6@8c.
Wheat—Feed wheat, $22.
Oats—Choice, per ton, $24.
Hay—Puget Sound mixed, $9.00@11; choice Eastern Washington timothy, $15.
Corn—Whole, $23.50; cracked, $24; feed meal, $23.50.
Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, $25@26; whole, $22.
Flour—Patent, per barrel, $3.50; straights, $3.25; California brands, $3.25; buckwheat flour, $3.75; graham, per barrel, $3.60; whole wheat flour, $3.75; rye flour, $4.
Millstuffs—Bran, per ton, $14; shorts, per ton, $16.
Feed—Chopped feed, $20@22 per ton; middlings, per ton, $17; oil cake meal, per ton, $35.

San Francisco Market.

Wool—Spring—Nevada, 10@12c per pound; Oregon, Eastern, 10@12c; Valley, 15@17c; Northern, 9@11c.
Millstuffs—Middlings, $18@21.00; bran, $15.50@16.50 per ton.
Onions—Silverskin, 50@75c per sack.
Butter — Fancy creamery, 28c; do seconds, 25@26c; fancy dairy, 26c; do seconds, 20@23c per pound.
Eggs — Store, 25@30c; fancy ranch, 34@37c.
Citrus Fruit—Oranges, Valencia, $2@2.50; Mexican limes, $6@6.50; California lemons, $2.00@.300; do choice, $3.50@4.50; per box.

The Seven Devils.

It is currently believed that the Northern Pacific is making strenuous efforts to establish a line to connect with the Seven Devils railroad, and thus tap a rich copper region. The Northwestern Railway Company has also three crews of surveyors in the field, and is preparing the way for graders from Huntington to the Oxbend of Snake river, and from there to the Peacock mine. There are now 28 O. R. & N. surveyors working from Keating, on Lower Powder river, to Eagle valley, arranging for the construction work from Baker City to Seven Devils.

A Good Showing.

The Whatcom creamery has turned out 32,340 pounds of butter, or over 16 tons since May 1, 1898. Patrons deliver their cream and receive 24 cents per pound for the butter yielded. The sum of $6,802 has thus been paid out to Whatcom county residents since May. The creamery will continue in operation all winter.

It is said that the electric cabs in New York city did a record business during the blizzard and proved their entire efficiency.

The Golden Spike.

February 1 the citizens of Globe, Ariz., will celebrate the completion to that point of the Gila valley, Globe & Northern. The regulation golden spike will be driven, and the citizens of Globe will make the event an auspicious one. The probabilities are that the Southern Pacific will make special ratets to Globe from all points between Los Angeles and El Paso, and that the inhabitants of that section of country will turn out in gala attire.

According to the Electrical Review, Prof Henry A. Rowland, the distinguished physicist of John Hopkins university, believes he has perfected a 12 message telegraphic system—a decided advance on the quadruplex so universally used.

According to a recent compilation, Germany has 711 miles of electric railways, equal to those of all the rest of Europe together. England is credited with only 98 miles. Most of the larger towns of Germany have electric lines, and the whole system of Berlin will by the year 1901 be converted to electricit

VETO MESSAGES RETURNED.

Governor Rogers Sends the Wanted Documents to the Senate.

Olympia, Wash., Jan. 13.—Immediately after the reading of the mintyes in the senate, Lieutenant-Governor Daniels announced the standing committees.

Plummer called for a committee of five to group the committees and recommend the number of clerks. Carried.

High presented a memorial from Clark county settlers. He asked that the memorial be referred to the committee on memorials, but that, inasmuch as a similar document had been introduced in the house, he did not desire the state put to the expense of printing the memorial.

On motion of Yeend, W. C. Gray, of Stevens county, who is contesting the seat of Senator C. A. Mants, was allowed the privilege of the floor of the senate.

The committee on the compensation of senate employes reported as follows:

Secretary, $5; assistant secretary, $4.50; sergeant-at-arms, $6; assistant sergeant-at-arms, $4; minute, journal and enrolling, engrossing and assistant engrossing, bill and docket clerks and stenographer, $4 each; judiciary clerk, $4.50; pages, $2; all other employes, including committee clerks, $3.50.

The vetoes of Governor Rogers on bills acted upon since the adjournment of the last legislature were presented, together with the names of the appointees of the governor. The confirmation of appointees was made a special order for January 20, at 11 A. M. On motion of Megler, the vetoes were made a special order for January 17. The votes cover, among others, the general appropriation bill. The exceptions are: "The appropriation of $25,500 for the Cheney normal school, $17,500 for tme maintenance of the Whatcom normal school, and $20,000 for the equipment and improving the grounds of the said Whatcom normal school are hereby objected to and disapproved, the reason for such disapproval being such appropriations are opposed to a just public policy at the present time. With these exceptions the bill is hereby approved."

Senate bill 250 appropriated $1,745 for the relief of George W. Babcock. The governor's objections are: "From information and belief, I consider this claim unjust. The claimant has his remedy in the courts."

Senate bill 194, relating to tidelands, the chief executive considers unconstitutional.

The committee on grouping committees was named as follows: Plummer, Wilshire, Paul, Megler and Garper.

Clerk's Salaries Fixed.

The first business of the day in the house after invocation by Rev. Henry L. Badger, rector of St. John's, was upon the special order involving the adoption of the committee report scheduling salaries of employes.

Mr. Bellows submitted an amendment horizontally reducing the schedule 50 cents on each employe, but allowing the proposed $3 extra compensation to the speaker to stand. Roll-call on the proposed amendment on salary of chief clerk showed the relative strength to stand about 47 to 23 in favor of sustaining the committee. After one more test of strength, the amendment was withdrawn by Mr. Bellows, and the committee report was adopted.

The speaker was authorized, on motion of Smith of King, to employ a secretary at a salary of $4 per day.

Beals presented a petition from engineers and steam users of Skagit and Snohomish counties for a law compelling inspection of boilers.

A resolution prevailed, offered by Gunderson, calling upon the state land commissioner's office for information concerning value of the state's granted capitol lands. The speaker appointed Gunderson, Minard and Bedford as such committee.

A memorial was offered by Daniels, praying for the pensioning of Indian war veterans.

APPOINTMENTS CONFIRMED.

Governor Geer's University Regents Satisfactory.

Salem, Jan. 13.—Governor Geer sent to the senate this morning the appointment of Dolph, Bean and Senator William Smith, of Baker, as members of the board of regents of the state university, and Holt as trustee of the Soldiers' Home, the same as Governor Lord had named, and which were withdrawn yesterday except Smith in place of Kincaid. The nomination of Smith "took the wind out of the sails" of the opposition to the governor, as Selling expressed it, and instead of a fight all were confirmed immediately.

Two Additional Justices.

Upon the assembling of the house the committee on resolutions reported back a resolution providing for an examination of the books of the state board of school land commissioners, with an amendment that the committee be allowed only one clerk, at a salary of $3 per day. The resolution was adopted as amended.

After the first reading of the bill by Beach of Multnomah to regulate building and loan associations, Moody asked the consent of the house to take up and place on its third reading the bill providing for relief of the supreme court, and an increase of the number of justices of the supreme court to five.

The bill passed by a vote of 37 to 17.

Plan to Modernize Rome.

Rome, Jan. 13.—The Marquis di Medici has prepared for the government his plans of a project to make Rome a seaport. He estimates the cost at $12,000,000. Medici is one of the wealthiest men in Italy, and is prominent as an engineer. He has already executed gigantic works regulating the flow of the river Tiber, at a cost of over $60,000,000, and constructed a number of railroads and other feats of engineering.

Half a Town Destroyed.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 14.—Fire today destroyed half of Bridgewater, a prosperous shipping and mill town on La Havé river, entailing a loss of $250,000. Of 58 stores on Main street only two remain. Seventy buildings were burned.

Bill for Pacific Coast Cutter.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Senator Perkins, of California, today introduced a bill for the construction of a revenue cutter of the first class, to be used on the Pacific coast, cost not to exceed $250,000.

DR. DARRIN'S CURES.

Baker City Republican.

Those who are disposed to doubt Dr. Darrin's cures will have their doubts shaken on reading the following card from Mr. John Martin, of Cove, Or. Mr. Martin is a man well and favorably known to all of our readers, and a man of 20 years' residence in Union county. His case will go far to establish the skill of Dr. Darrin:

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Metals.

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Water Power Abandoned.

The famous incline railway at Prospect Park, Niagara Falls, is to be operated electrically according to a recent decision of the New York State Park Commissioners. Heretofore this railway has always been operated by water power, but in view of the fact that during the great ice bridges, when tourists flock to see this marvelous sight, from all over the state, the railway is usually inoperative. This has been due to the chocking of the intake with ice and very often too low water. As there is no other means of access without a tedious descent and ascent, the tourists have been greatly inconvenienced, and the management have lost considerable money. With abundant electric power available from the Niagara Falls Power Company the electric operation of the road appears to be most apropos.

Germany and Asia Minor.

It is inevitable that Asia Minor shall eventually pass from the possession of Mohammedanism, and whether Germany accomplishes the task or not, the Sultan must yield to a Christian nation. It is just as inevitable that diseases of the digestive organs must yield to Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. The disorders of this kind are usually called dyspepsia, constipation and biliousness. The Bitters are equally good for all such complaints, regardless of the name.

One of Many.

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Heroes of the War with Spain

thousands of them, are suffering from lingering diseases induced by life in poisonous southern camps, the result of changes of climate, or of imperfect nutrition caused by improper and badly cooked food. Sleeping on the ground has doubtless developed rheumatism in hundreds who were predisposed to the disease. In such cases the Boys of '98 may take a lesson from the experience of the

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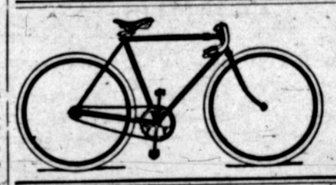

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