

GOVERNMENT TO ESTABLISH STATIONS FOR MINERS

Washington, Dec. 28.—Carrying out plans to reduce the number of fatalities in coal mines, the United States Geological Survey is about to establish rescue stations in the principal coal fields of the country, in addition to the experiment station now located at Pittsburgh. It will be the purpose of the experts to teach the miners and mine bosses how to use the most approved apparatus in rescue work.

Government mining engineers will be assigned to the stations and will be ready at a moment's notice to go to the scene of any disaster. They will be equipped with oxygen helmets, which will enable them to enter a mine at once, even though it is filled with gas or smoke.

Every station is to be fitted up with an air-tight room, where gas can be generated, and the coal-mining companies have been invited to send picked men to the stations for training in the use of oxygen helmets.

One of the stations may be established at Salt Lake to care for the Utah, Montana and Washington coal fields.

SUGAR MAGNATE DEAD

Claus Spreckles, Aged 80, Succumbs to Attack of Pneumonia.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—After an illness of less than a week's duration, Claus Spreckles, widely known as the "Sugar King of the Pacific Coast," died at his home in this city at the age of 80 years. Mr. Spreckles was taken with a severe cold about a week ago. This developed into pneumonia, and during the last two days the veteran sugar refiner sank rapidly.

It is said that all of the dead capitalist's children are mentioned in the will and each given a share of the estate, the value of which is variously estimated at from \$40,000,000 to \$50,000,000. It was stated in court that the income from the estate exceeded a quarter of a million dollars a year.

MASSACHUSETTS GIRL TO GO TO SALEM, OR., FOR WEDDING

Middleboro, Mass., Dec. 28.—Although the entire continent separates her from her fiancée, Miss Florence McDermid is undaunted, for she will start alone for Salem, Oregon, where she will meet her sweetheart, Wayland Chase. There she will become the bride of her schoolyard sweetheart and they will make their home in Salem, where the groom-elect is a landscape engineer.

Hurry Indian Land Cases.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Senator Owen, of Oklahoma, who is one of several defendants in suits brought by the government to clear up titles to Indian land in that state, is urging President Roosevelt to have these cases settled at the earliest possible moment and to take them straight to the United States supreme court if possible. Governor Haskell and many other prominent men in Oklahoma are defendants. Mr. Owen says that the slow dragging of the cases, of which there are 23,000, is damaging to business and development generally.

Negro Is Champion Pugilist.

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 27.—Jack Johnson, the big negro from Galveston, Texas, is the world's heavyweight champion. He won the title Christmas day in the big arena at Rushcutters Bay from Tommy Burns, the French-Canadian, who had held it since James J. Jeffries relinquished it, and after a chase of Burns that led half way around the world. The end came in the 14th round, when the police, seeing Burns tottering and unable to defend himself from the savage blows of his opponent, mercifully stopped the fight.

Used 4,000,000 Christmas Trees.

Washington, Dec. 28.—The native forests this year supplied 4,000,000 Christmas trees, the Forestry Service estimating that one out of every four families observed the tree custom at Yuletide. Gifford Pinchot, United States Forester, upholds the Christmas tree custom and believes that it should be maintained.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 90c; red Russian, 88c; bluestem, 96c; Valley, 92c.
Barley—Feed, \$26.50; rolled, \$28@29.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$32; gray, \$32.
Hay—Timothy, Willamette Valley, fancy, \$15; do. ordinary, \$12; Eastern Oregon, mixed, \$16; do. fancy, \$18; alfalfa, \$12.50; clover, \$12.
Butter—Extra, 36@37c; fancy, 33@34c; choice, 30c; store, 18c.
Eggs—Extra, 40@43c.
Hops—1908, choice, 6@7c; prime, 5@6c; medium, 4@5c; 1907, 2@4c.
Wool—Valley, 14@15½c; lb.; Eastern Oregon, 8@16c, as to shrinkage.
Mohair—Choice, 18@19c.

SEATTLE MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem, \$1.01.
Oats—\$30@34.
Barley—\$26.50@27.50.
Hay—Eastern Washington timothy, \$16 per ton; Puget Sound hay, \$10@11 per ton; wheat hay, \$12 per ton; alfalfa, \$9.50@10 per ton.
Butter—Washington creamery, 37c per lb.; ranch, 23c per lb.
Eggs—Selected local, 42@43c.

AFTER BEEF PACKERS

GENERAL ASSAULT ON BEEF COMBINE—GIVES NO IMMUNITY BATH.

None of Principals Called Before Grand Jury—Subpenas by Wholesaler.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Search for evidence to establish the existence of a "beef trust" clearing-house, by which evidence certain packing interests could be involved in charges of violating both the anti-trust and anti-trust laws, is being made here by secret service men and agents of various departments of the United States government. The Department of Justice at Washington has issued orders to District Attorney Sims and his associates in this city to proceed against all the large packers suspected of being in a combination with reference to prices, control of territory and demands upon railroads.

Batches of subpenas were sent to Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louis and other places for railroad and packers' employees, which Federal officials in those places will serve and to which all witnesses called must respond.

"The railroad rebates are the most effective weapons used by the packers to crowd out the little fellows and to maintain prices and a trust," said a leading representative of the Department of Justice in an interview. "Thus the railroad rebate problem and the anti-trust problem are closely linked. You will notice in the investigation none of the men higher up in the packing companies and in the railroads is being called as a witness. Of course, for obvious reasons—well known from the former prosecutions—we are not examining men before the grand jury whom we have orders to prosecute."

HEIR TO HALF MILLION SENTENCED TO WORKHOUSE

Lost Angeles, Dec. 28.—Heir to half a million dollars and entitled to a position in Baltimore society, W. J. Powell has been sentenced to serve 180 days in the workhouse in this city on a vagrancy charge. He says he will come into possession of his fortune at the age of 25 years, three months after he is released from the workhouse.

He ran away from his guardian in 1903 and enlisted in the 18th Battalion, Field Artillery, and was stationed in the Philippines. After his discharge he enlisted in the navy and was stationed at Bremerton. His love for a girl at San Diego caused him to desert and go there, later coming to Los Angeles, where he fell in with a tough element.

"I am going to come out of that place a new man," he said tonight.

HENEY MAY ASSIST

Rumored He Will Go to Pittsburg at Roosevelt's Request.

Pittsburg, Dec. 28.—There is a rumor afloat that F. J. Heney is coming here shortly at the request of President Roosevelt to investigate the alleged bribery so far as it is connected with Federal institutions. According to Washington reports, Mr. Heney was in conference with the President Saturday on the Pittsburg situation. He will be in the capacity of special examiner. It is said, to investigate the alleged use of money by officers of National banks to have their institutions made depositories of the city. At the preliminary hearings it was said that \$176,000 had been thus expended.

Changes Finger to Nose.

Paterson, N. J., Dec. 28.—If a surgical operation performed in this city proves successful, Cornelius Snyder, of this city, will be going around before long with one of his fingers where his nose used to be.

Snyder suffered from cancer for several years, and about a year ago the greater part of his nose was amputated in order to remove the malignant growth.

When Mr. Snyder was informed by physicians that it was possible to replace the lost nose with a finger, he decided to have the operation performed, and it took place last week. The third finger of Snyder's left hand was used.

It is expected that within three weeks the flesh of the finger and the nose will have united. The finger will then be amputated at the middle joint, and when the wounds are healed Mr. Snyder will have as good as a new nose.

Shorthand Record Made.

San Francisco, Dec. 28.—Ruth Olson, a 14-year-old San Francisco girl, has established a new world record for her age for rapid shorthand writing. In a test the girl wrote 850 words in five minutes and read the same correctly.

Miss Olson's record is considered

Diamond Necklace in Laundry.

Boston, Dec. 29.—In a sheet which was about to be placed in a mangle that was about to be operated in a hotel laundry here, has been found a \$5000 diamond necklace of Mrs. John De Coste, wife of a well-known English artist, who is at present in New York.

OREGON BRIEFLETS

The first car on the electric line between Portland and Forest Grove was run Christmas day.

A new \$70,000 high school building in Albany next year is assured by the action taken at the annual school meeting last week.

Canby poultry-raisers are preparing to organize an association and to hold a poultry show the latter part of January.

The Mothers & Teachers' Club of Milwaukee expect to open a reading room and library shortly after New Year. Books for use of the room are expected from the state library.

The First State Bank of Milwaukee has filed articles of incorporation with the clerk of Clackamas county, the capital stock being placed at \$10,000.

It has cost the people of the city of Portland over a million and a half of dollars to make Christmas merry for others and to bring good cheer to themselves.

Rodney L. West, of Portland, died of ptomaine poisoning after eating his Christmas dinner. None of the family were affected and just what portion of the food contained the poison germs is unknown.

The family of Walter Johnson, now at the Salem penitentiary awaiting execution by hanging, as a penalty for the murder of Elmer Perdue, will make every effort to have Governor Chamberlain commute the sentence to life imprisonment.

The third annual convention of the Oregon National Guard was held in Portland Monday, in the armory. Addresses were delivered by members of the organization and regular army covering matters pertaining to the National Guard and the military profession and were of exceptional interest.

Alumni and ex-students of the Oregon Agricultural College residing in Umatilla county have formed an association and gave their first banquet Tuesday night. Among the guests who were present was President Kerr of the college. The members of the association hope to make this banquet an annual event.

An enlarged picture and a diamond ring or a rocker chair for good measure, all for \$2.98, were the inducements held forth by a trio of smooth-talking fakers who induced a large number of Roseburg women to part with \$2.98 each. After collecting the \$2.98, the fakers told their victims to call at a local store and get the prizes. Here they discovered the merchant knew nothing of the scheme.

Appropriations aggregating almost \$300,000 will be asked of the coming session of the legislature for the maintenance of the State Insane Asylum and for repairs and improvements for the ensuing year. This is an increase of \$200,000 over the appropriations of two years ago, or an increase of 33 per cent.

The report asks for appropriations upon the assumption that no branch asylum will be provided for in Eastern Oregon. The percentage of recoveries, computed upon the number received during the period, is 22 per cent.

Senator Fulton held a conference with the Director of the Reclamation Service, Sunday in Washington, relative to requests he has received from settlers on the Klamath irrigation project, for an extension of time for making water payments to the Government. Settlers were under the impression that their entries would be cancelled if payment were not made by May next. Director Newell informed Mr. Fulton that payments on the first unit of this project will become due May 1, 1909, but settlers will have one year's grace in which to pay up. Therefore, settlers will not be in danger of having entries canceled unless they are delinquent with payments after May 1, 1910. It is the policy of the department to give settlers two full seasons of irrigation before requiring them to make the first payment.

In the suit of the State of Oregon against the Columbia Southern Irrigation Company for the reclamation of an extensive tract in Eastern Oregon, the state offered testimony to show that while the project proposed the development of about 27,000 acres, there was only sufficient water for irrigating about 1500 acres. It will be on this showing that the state expects to be authorized to rescind the contract that was originally entered into with the Three Sisters' Irrigation Company, which subsequently transferred its interests to the Columbia Southern Irrigation Company. A law is being drafted to determine the water rights of the state under the direction of a committee representing the Oregon Conservation Commission and which has called to its assistance several prominent authorities connected with the Government irrigation service.

Christmas was made as merry as possible for the inmates of the six public institutions located in Salem. At the insane asylum, where 1500 unfortunates are cared for, a musical entertainment and Christmas tree was given Christmas eve. An excellent Turkey dinner was served. At the penitentiary a special dinner was served, minus the turkey, but with an abundance of roast meat and plum pudding. Christmas eve the prisoners gave an entertainment in the chapel. The Christmas tree in the Reform School was in the form of a huge bell, made of evergreen boughs. At the close of the exercises presents were distributed, each boy receiving some useful gift, together with a bag of candy and a box of nuts. The day was also observed at the Mute School and the Blind School, where everything was done to bring cheer to the unfortunate children at these institutions.

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Passenger	Mixed
Leave Yaquina 2:15 p. m.	7:00 a. m.
Arrive Albany 7:00 p. m.	11:55 a. m.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR U S Land Office at Portland, Oregon October, 28 1908.

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Claimant names as witnesses: Christian Knutson, of Lebanon Oregon, F M Hester, E E Heath and T L Hennes all of Gates, Oregon. ALGERNON S DRESSER Register. 11-6 1-8-9

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