

OCcidental NEWS.

Discharged Conductors Bring Suit Against a Receiver.

EXCELLENT CRANBERRY MARSH.

Title to the Mining Property of the Oregon Gold Mining Company Involved.

The Fruit Exchange of Riverside, Cal., has taken the place of private shipping firms, and none of the latter are in business this season.

Charges are made against the present Commissioner of Ada county, Idaho, and his predecessors for receiving fees illegally.

A cranberry marsh near Kamille, Wash., has yielded 2,500 gallons of berries this season. The yield is of excellent quality, the berries being large and of the flavor.

The Northern Pacific has announced that it will raise the one-way transcontinental passenger rate between Puget Sound and St. Paul from \$25 to \$40 for first class and \$40 for second class on January 1.

The Northern Pacific terminal shop employees and car builders at Tacoma have decided to accept the 5 and 10 per cent reduction in their wages, their organization meeting through through to resist at present.

The breaking of the main shaft of the hoisting engine at the Consolidated Virginia mine at Virginia City, Nev., caused a temporary suspension of work in the mine. The shaft was broken by a "ride" and West Consolidated Virginia and California drills.

The Port Townsend Chamber of Commerce at its last meeting adopted a memorial to Congress requesting that it build a life-saving station on the coast at some point between Flattery Rocks and D. Struction Island.

Last week a deed was recorded at San Jose, Cal., in which the Southern Pacific Company became the purchaser of about six acres of land lying just north of Lenzen avenue, outside of that city's limits, and facing the narrow-gauge and broad-gauge tracks.

The suit of F. N. Paily, receiver of the Northern Pacific, vs. C. W. Paily, assignee of the San Diego Cable Railway Company, which was commenced in the Superior Court three weeks ago at San Diego, has been decided by Judge Torrence in favor of the defendant.

Articles of incorporation of the San Diego, Fort Yuma and Atlantic Railroad Company have been filed in the County Clerk's office at San Diego. The company will build and operate a standard-gauge road from San Diego to a point near Fort Yuma, thence to connect with the railroad to be constructed to Phoenix, A. T.

At Park City, Utah, a funeral procession was stampered, resulting in two fatalities. A team in the procession ran away, and caused every other team to stampede, including that drawing the hearse with the body of Mrs. Van Schack. Stanton Roband and John Sprague were fatally injured when the hearse overturned and men, women and children thrown into heaps with the struggling horses and splintering vehicles. The hearse itself was disfigured and half-dozen people seriously injured.

Nine passenger conductors on the Seattle, Lake Shore and Eastern railway, who were discharged by Receiver Brown on the charge of "kidding" passengers, have brought suit in the United States Court at Seattle to compel the receiver to prefer charges against them before the Grievance Committee. The receiver has refused to do so, and the conductors are members. The claim is made that the Northern Pacific, of which the Lake Shore is a branch, had agreed that no one should be discharged without formal charges and an investigation.

A daring attempt to escape from the Westminister penitentiary at Vancouver, B. C., was made the other night by three convicts, who with fifty others had been working all the afternoon on the grounds. When the men were ordered to form up to return to prison a number made a break for liberty. The attempt to escape was evidently prearranged, as they were all dressed in work clothes and ran in the direction where only one guard was stationed. He fired over their heads to stop them, but all but three were scared and turned back. Those three, however, kept on and were fired at by other guards. Kennedy, the ringleader, who was serving a life sentence for murder committed in the interior, was hit in the leg, fell and was carried to the hospital. The other two others then gave themselves up. It is believed a plan had been arranged for a general revolt.

The new cruiser Olympia on her trial test did not equal the expectations of her builders, but still far exceeded the requirements that she was to fulfill for an 86-knot course of about 21.7. Much to the surprise of everyone, the day was nearly perfect. The ocean was the calmest it has been for some time, and the big cruiser herself as she sped through the water, sending a spray over her bow into the decks were drenched. From Golea Point to Point Barlowe a sea was running, but not enough to retard headway to any extent. The reason why the cruiser did not equal her previous record is an unexplained mystery. Her machinery worked without a hitch, and there was not the slightest break. The time of 21.7 is liable to correction on account of the current, which may result in the Olympia's favor. There was a draft four inches greater than the requirements which will also be counted in the calculations, which will not be made for several days. The maximum speed is estimated at 22.95.

Papers have been filed in the Circuit Court of Union County, Ore., which give the title of the extensive mining property of the Oregon Gold Mining Company at Cornucopia. There have been three issues of bonds on the property, for \$100,000, \$200,000 and \$300,000 respectively, and mortgages issued to secure them. The suit is brought by A. L. Schmidt as trustee for the bondholders, it being alleged that the owners of the mortgages have been broken and that the property should be turned over to the bondholders. They ask that a receiver be appointed to liquidate the suit, and pay for judgment and decree; that the terms of the mortgage be declared broken; that the trustee be entitled to the property; that the amount of principal and interest due be fixed by the court, and for foreclosing the mortgage and directing the sale of the property; for fixing priority of payment, and for declaring the same a lien upon the property. T. H. Crawford and T. C. Hyde are the attorneys for plaintiffs. The mines have suspended operations for the season. The mills have just completed the most prosperous run ever made. Heavy snow is given as the cause of the suspension.

FROM WASHINGTON CITY.

Southern Democratic Senators threaten to defeat the tariff bill unless it is radically modified.

The President has nominated C. H. Dabney, Jr., of Tennessee Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

The House Committee on Military Affairs has authorized a favorable report upon the bill for the relief of the citizens of Oregon, Idaho and Washington who served in the Bannock, Nez Perce and Shoshone wars.

It is tacitly understood that the Federal elections bill will not be called up for action until after the holidays, although any Senator may call it up at any time for the purpose of making a speech.

Senator Squire has introduced a bill to create the Washington National Park near Mount Rainier from what is now national forest land.

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Rev. Mr. White of Brooklyn, known to fame as the "marriage minister," who never turned away a loving couple, is dead. In his life he married 14,000 people.

The "dame du ventre," which created such a sensation in the city of Paris, has been suppressed in New York on the ground that it is brutal and disgusting.

EASTERN MENDELGE.

Bowers of California Introduces a Proper Bill.

THIS SEASON'S SUGAR BOUNTY.

The Georgia Legislature Declares for Free Coinage of Silver—An Old Prison Sold.

It is feared that the Missouri river will break its banks above Omaha.

Navigation on the Mississippi above Cairo, Ill., is practically suspended.

A whole fleet of lake craft is stuck in the ice floe at the head of Lake Erie.

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THE MIDWINTER EXPOSITION.

The best news of the week in connection with the coming California Midwinter International Exposition has been the extension of the time limit of execution tickets from the East to thirty days.

This means that those who go to California to see the Midwinter Exposition will have a month in which to visit other parts of the State besides the exposition to San Francisco, and that the benefits to be derived by the entire Pacific Coast will be correspondingly multiplied.

And just here there ought to be a word said about the number of visitors that may reasonably be expected to come out of the frozen East to hibernate in the country.

"Where the last never fades in the still bloom of flowers."

Those who have already arrived at San Francisco as the advance guard of the great army of midwinter continent-crossers say that the influx of visitors will exceed the most sanguine expectations of the friends of the exposition.

Eastern railway managers are constantly sending to the department of publicity with requests for advertising matter in connection with the exposition. The patrons are hungry for information on the subject.

Some of them are so hungry that more than one of the great trunk lines are sending out representatives to the East to get the latest news of the exposition and the special attractions of the exposition as an excuse for making a long-promised trip to the "land of sunshine."

Meanwhile the list of attractions continues to grow, and there will be lively times during the next three weeks, getting the latest news of the exposition.

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Dr. Libbertz and Laubenstein, colleagues of Prof. Koch, are preparing an antidote to diphtheria and are confident of its success.

The Manchester canal, now finished, has cost the lives of 158 men, the permanent injury of 186 and the temporary injury of 1,404.

The house of Rothschild has made its annual gift of 100,000 francs to its tenants in Paris who are in difficulties over their rent.

It is announced that France and England have agreed as to Siam. This matter will soon be one less item in the world.

Brigands in the Caucasus are becoming bolder than ever before. Extraordinary stories of their recent outrages are coming to hand.

An outbreak of a most infectious type of influenza is the prevailing topic of personal concern not only in England, but throughout Europe.

FOREIGN FLASHES.

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LIBERAL HOUSE OF ROTHSCHILD.

Missionaries of the Russian Church Fail in Their Effort Among the Chinese Tribes.

Paris is to have a world's fair congress. The Socialist associations of Sicily count 30,000 members.

The Austrian navy now comprises fifty-four first-class vessels.

Austria will tax all foreign insurance companies within her borders.

Finland is to have a State telephone line at a cost of 100,000 marks.

The total mileage of railways now open to traffic in Japan is 1,717.

Get him into a 440,000 paper hat. Princess B. atrice has presented three tigers to the London zoological gardens.

The famine in Russia has made the condition of the peasants more deplorable.

German troops are to be sent on long winter marches to make them tough.

A French Deputy, M. Leguyes, proposes an increased duty on corn from \$1 to \$1.60.

Austrian Socialists will inaugurate a universal strike as a protest against the war bill.

The boundary between Ecuador and Peru over the western dispute seems to be absolutely settled.

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ANTWERP'S AIR CASTLE.

An Ambitious Project for the Next International Exposition.

The next international exhibition will be held in Antwerp and will be inaugurated May 1, 1934. It will be a small affair as compared with the Columbian exposition, but strenuous efforts are being made to insure its financial and artistic success.

All the buildings will be constructed of zinc and glass and will be meritorious from an architectural standpoint.

The exhibition will be located in one of the most beautiful parks in Europe, containing about 200 acres and situated in the new quarter of the city, and vessels laden with exhibits can discharge their cargoes within 500 yards of the buildings.

In the matter of handling exhibits the officials promise great improvements on the system anywhere previously adopted, and all packages received before April 15, 1934, not exceeding 3,000 pounds in weight will be handled free of charge.



ANTWERP'S CASTLE IN THE AIR.

Instead of an Eiffel tower or Ferris wheel, it is proposed to have at Antwerp a veritable castle in the air, the conception of an engineer named Tobolsky. It will be constructed of steel and bamboo tubing, covered with silk and sheet iron, and will be 90 feet long and have a floor space of 200 square feet.

The balloon will be suspended from a 600 to 1,500 feet, according to the strength of the wind. The weight of the entire structure, including the balloon and all accessories, will be about 10 tons, and it can be lowered to the ground in about 20 minutes.

The balloon will be anchored to the earth by four great vertical cables, and a large number of guy ropes are relied on to prevent its escaping from control. It will consist of two hemispheres of triple silk, divided into three cylindrical compartments. Its surface measurement will be 9,811 square meters and its volume 74,000 cubic meters.

The balloon elevators, each capable of accommodating 100 persons, will connect the air castle with the ground. From the dizzy elevation ordinarily maintained hundreds of miles of the flat Belgian country will be visible.

The electric lighting will be supplied by a battery of 100 cells, and the balloon will be illuminated at night. Competent engineers pronounce the scheme feasible, and no doubts it will be liberally patronized.

It is believed that the scheme will be a decided success.

Uncle Sam's Advertising Scheme.

In Eighth avenue there is a recruiting office for the United States army. In front of the office is a banner with the words "Enlist Today" written on it.

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PORTLAND MARKET.

WHEAT—Valley, 92 1/2 @ 96c; Walla Walla, 81 @ 82 1/2 per cental.

HOPS—30c, choice, 15 @ 16c per pound; medium, 10 @ 12c; poor, 5 @ 7c.

WOOL—Valley, 10 @ 11c per pound; Umpqua, 11 @ 12c; Eastern Oregon, 6 @ 8c, according to quality and shrinkage.

HIDES—Dry selected, prime, 5 @ 6; green, 4 @ 5; sheep, 3 @ 4; under 60 pounds, 2 @ 3; sheep, 3 @ 4; under 60 pounds, 2 @ 3; sheep, 3 @ 4; under 60 pounds, 2 @ 3.

LIVE AND DRESSED MEAT.

BEEF—Top steers, 2 1/2c per pound; fair to good steers, 2c; No. 1 cows, 2c; fair cows, 1 1/2c; dressed beef, 43.50 @ 65.00 per 100 pounds.

MUTTON—Best sheep, 42.00; choice mutton, 41.75 @ 2.00; lambs, 42.00 @ 2.25.

HOES—Choice heavy, 44.50 @ 65.00; medium, 44.00 @ 45.00; light and feeders, 43.00 @ 50.00; dressed, 41.00 @ 45.00.

VEAL—\$3.00 @ 5.00.

PROVISIONS.

EASTERN SMOKE MEATS AND LARD—Hams, medium, 12 1/2 @ 13c per pound; large, 12 @ 13c; hams, picnic, 11 @ 12c; breakfast, 10 @ 11c; side, 10 @ 11c; clear side, 11 @ 13c; dry salt sides, 10 1/2 @ 11c; dried beef, 15 @ 16c; lard, compound, in tin, 9 1/2 @ 10c; pure, 10 @ 11c; lard, in tin, 11 @ 12c; pig's feet, 8 @ 9.50; pig's feet, 4 @ 4.50.

MANILLA ROPE, 1 1/2 in. cir. and up, 10 1/2c; manilla rope, 1 1/2 in. cir., 11c; manilla rope, 6 and 9-thread, 1/2 and 5-16 diam., 11 1/2c; manilla rope, in coil, on reel, 10 1/2c; manilla, 14c; sisal rope, 1 1/2 in. cir. and up, 7 1/2c; sisal rope, 6 and 9-thread, 1/2 and 5-16 diam., 7 1/2c; sisal rope, in coil, on reel, 7 1/2c; sisal rope, 14c; manilla rope, 14c; manilla rope, 14c; manilla rope, 14c.

FLOUR—Portland, 24.80; Salem, 22.80; Cascadia, 22.80; Dayton, 22.80; Walla Walla, 23.15; Albany, 22.80; Graham, 22.80; starline, 22.25 per barrel.

GRAIN—35c @ 36c per bushel; rolled, in bags, 46.25 @ 48.50; barrels, 46.75 @ 47.00; cases, 47.75.

CHICKENS—Oregon, 10 @ 12 1/2c; California, 13 @ 14c; Young America, 15 @ 16c; Swiss, imported, 30 @ 32c; domestic, 18 @ 20c per pound.

EGGS—Oregon, 30c per dozen; Eastern, 25 @ 27c; common, 15 @ 17 1/2c per dozen.

VEGETABLES AND FRUITS.

VEGETABLES—Cabbage, 1c per pound; potatoes, Oregon, 75c per sack; onions, 40 @ 45c per sack; sweet potatoes, 13c per pound; tomatoes, 15 @ 16c per pound; cauliflower, 1.25 @ 1.50 per pound.

FRUITS—Sicily lemons, 45.00 @ 55.00 per box; California new crop, 44.00 @ 45.00 per box; bananas, 10 @ 12c per bunch; Honolulu, 1.50 @ 2.00; California apples, 37.75 @ 40.00 per box; seedlings, 43.00 @ 45.00; Mexican, 43.50 @ 45.00; Japanese, 3.50; grapes, 1.00 @ 1.25 per box; apples, 25 @ 30c; blackberries, 1.00 @ 1.20; raspberries, 8 @ 10c; silver, 10 @