

NEWS OF THE WEEK

STATE.

Rainier's population is 1080.

It has been suggested at Corvallis that steps be taken to preserve the old state capital at that place.

The Boys' Brigade has been organized by the pupils of Columbus school, McMinnville. Frank Cronin is captain.

It is said that there are 200 Portland bobos making their way to Astoria. They expect to live easy during the fishing season.

Marshal Heathman, of Pendleton, has announced that he intends to suppress every form of gambling, including the slot machines, and to rid the city of disorderly women.

The newly elected officers of Canyon City are: Mayor, E. A. Hines; recorder, George Chittensch; treasurer, Chas. Brown; councilmen, Ira Sprout, Fred Simpson, Chet Guernsey, Fred Bladgen and Tony Wendler.

A human skeleton was exhumed on the Adams farm, near Tate lake, last week. The bones were just beneath the surface of the ground, and were turned up by a plow. It is supposed that the bones are those of an unfortunate who fell during the Modoc war in 1873.

Secretary Holden, of the Astoria chamber of commerce, has received advice from the surgeon-general's office, at Washington, that work will begin on the quarantine station at the mouth of the Columbia as soon as the government is satisfied that it can obtain a clear title to the land.

The indications for a large grain crop in Klamath county were never more favorable than at the present time. It is claimed that nearly a half more acreage will be put in this spring, and the abundance of moisture which has fallen this spring will bring Klamath to the front as one of the best farming counties in the state.

Elgin sheepmen report a loss of less than 5 per cent for the winter.

Receipts for the year ending March 31 at the Baker City postoffice were \$10,134.

A child of Frank Page, of Elgin, was killed Monday by a dose of nitric acid administered by another child.

The First Congregational Church of Astoria has called Rev. Edward Curran, of Oakland, Cal., to be its pastor.

The grand jury of Jacksonville has indicted Alonzo Edwards for murder. Edwards killed Charles Evans near Ashland on March 8.

A large sawmill is soon to be built by the Booth-Kelly Lumber Company in Lane county.

Right of way for a motor line along the county road between Corvallis and Monroe has been denied by the Benton county court.

Permission has been granted the state by the interior department to build a fish hatchery on the Olackamas river in the Cascade mountain reserve.

The Fishermen's Union is making efforts to have several bar buoys at the mouth of the Columbia river removed, claiming that they interfere with the nets.

Stayton has a broom factory. Six persons are employed.

Astoria has reduced the tax on bowling alleys to \$4 a quarter.

Salem's amateur photographers will organize a camera club this evening.

The preliminary surveying party of the Lyle and Goldendale railway has arrived at Goldendale from Centerville.

At the First M. E. church of Salem Tuesday morning was celebrated the 64th anniversary of the beginning of the work of that church in Oregon.

The convention of the Eugene district Epworth League ended Wednesday. There were 65 delegates present from the district and a number of fraternal delegates from Salem and Portland districts.

PACIFIC COAST.

The scurvy epidemic on Copper river, Alaska, is abating.

Tacoma will be honored by the naming of one of the new cruisers now being built for the city.

The Green-Smith fight scheduled to take place in San Francisco on Sunday night proved a fiasco. Smith refused to go on, claiming there was not enough money in sight.

Masked robbers tortured Andrew Michaels, near Colville, Wash., by holding his feet over a fire in an attempt to make him reveal the whereabouts of his money. He was severely burned.

GENERAL.

Perry Belmont is said to be training to enter the race for the governorship of New York.

General Russel Hastings has declined the president's appointment as director of the bureau of American republics.

The third annual meeting of the American Academy of Political and Social Science began at Philadelphia Saturday.

Director Wolcott's plans for continuation of the Alaska survey work have

been approved by the secretary of the interior.

Districting the country for the taking of the twelfth census has been completed. Two supervisors will be appointed for Oregon.

Discharged New Jersey volunteers committed many acts of violence on their way through South Carolina Sunday, terrorizing the communities through which they passed.

An attempt was made Monday to place the recently appointed receiver for the Boston & Montana Mining Company in possession of the office at Butte. Serious trouble was feared.

The best court of inquiry has decided to admit as evidence the reports of army officers regarding the quality of the meat supplied their respective commands in Cuba and Porto Rico.

Vice-President Hobart is recovering from his illness.

Thomas J. Havemeyer died at New York yesterday, aged 53 years.

ReSah, a circus elephant, killed his keeper, Frank Fisher, at Kansas City Monday.

Governor Roosevelt is visiting in Chicago, where he has been enthusiastically received.

Officials at Washington take no stock in the proposal to exchange the Philippines for the British West Indies.

Thirty West Point cadets engaged in a fight with the boys of the village Monday night. U. S. Grant the Third was among the seriously injured.

In a flood at Glendive, Mont., Monday four persons were drowned. Eight others are missing. Three spans of railroad bridge washed out, causing a loss of \$25,000.

FOREIGN.

Italian troops have been landed at San Mun bay, China.

Internal dissensions have arisen in the Carlist party of Spain.

England has bought the Tonga islands.

Elections held in Ireland Saturday resulted in a wholesale defeat of the unionists.

Rioters have wrecked a French mission in the province of Ohun Chang, Corea.

The German expedition sent to I-Chau, China, last week, has returned to Kia-Chou.

Figaro has begun the publication of the evidence given by Major Hartman in the Dreyfus case.

Kong Yu Wei, the Chinese reformer who was forced to flee from his native land, has arrived in Victoria on his way to London.

An uprising of Tartars has just occurred in the province of Casran, South-eastern Russia.

The German National Zeitung declares all changes made in the status of affairs at Samoa since March 4 are invalid.

Dupuy, the French premier, announces that conditions, both at home and abroad, are eminently satisfactory to the French government.

Returns from the Irish county council elections shows that 300 nationalists, 83 unionists, one labor candidate and one liberal have been returned.

An American Protestant missionary at Hankau, China, makes charges against the Catholics of burning Protestant chapels and torturing Protestants.

WAR.

Dewey has cabled the navy department a request for six months' engineering supplies.

Gomez has been reinstated as commander of the Cuban army by action of the Cuban assembly.

Distribution of the \$3,000,000 furnished by the United States for payment of the Cuban troops will begin at once.

The transport Scandia arrived at San Francisco Sunday from Manila with a number of time-expired soldiers.

MacArthur's forces are still at Malolos. Their operations consist merely of daily reconnaissances in various directions.

At Saturday's cabinet meeting the war situation was discussed, and confidence in General Otis' ability to cope with the situation from now on was generally expressed.

Lawton's brigade is advancing on Santa Cruz, across Laguna de bay and several miles from Manila.

Aguinaldo has issued a proclamation declaring that Spanish shall be the official language throughout the Philippines.

Alger has left Porto Rico for New York.

Dewey has stated positively that he will not allow his name to be used as that of a candidate for the presidential nomination next year.

The troops on board the transport Grant, en route for Manila, are reported by their officers to be in unfit condition for service, being mostly raw recruits.

THE END NOT YET.

It is Estimated 50,000 Troops Are Needed to Crush the Rebellion.

The battles of the past few days have all been skirmishes.

It is now known that 93 rebels were killed in the battle of Santa Cruz.

Major-General Shafter thinks the Filipino war will last for a long time.

The fighting about Manila will cease in ten days, as the rainy season then sets in.

Company M, Second Oregon, got the brunt of the fighting near Malolos.

New York, April 12.—A dispatch to the World from Manila says: While it is probable that there is an end to the big engagements in the Philippines between the Americans and the Filipinos, the war is not at an end by any means. It is the universal opinion among army men here that it will require the presence of 50,000 American troops to occupy the territory that has been taken and keep open communication among the islands.

General Lawton's advance promises to meet with a harassing resistance. Trenches are built by the enemy from town to town. On all sides the rebels are in nightly communication by means of signal fires. They avoid being caught in a trap and are quick to harass the flank.

Since March 25 the enemy's losses have not been more than double ours.

Our kindness to the rebel wounded and prisoners does not allay their dogged enmity. Only a small portion of the population of the north have returned to their homes. Only the diseased and aged remain in Santa Cruz.

Aguinaldo is reported to be in San Fernando and still in absolute charge of the defenses of the new capital and of Calumpit.

MANILA, April 12.—6:10 P. M.—General Wheaton stated at daylight with the Tenth Pennsylvania and Second Oregon regiments and two guns to drive the rebels from the American right flank between the railroad and the foothills. He met with slight resistance near Santa Maria, and one man was wounded, but the enemy bolted when shelled by the artillery and burned and abandoned the town of Santa Maria, where 1000 rebels were reported to have been concentrated.

During the rest of the day the enemy was in full retreat toward the mountains, burning villages behind the retreating force. Occasionally a few rebels dropped to the rear and fired at the advancing American troops from the jungle, apparently with the idea that this would check our advance and cover the retreat of the Filipinos. Finding these tactics ineffectual, they scampered after the main body.

The American guard along the railroad has been materially strengthened, and it is not likely the rebels will succeed in getting in the future to as close quarters as they did yesterday, even if they return from the mountains.

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NEW YORK, April 12.—A dispatch to the Herald from Manila says: Lawton captured the villages of Pagsajan and Lumban yesterday after some resistance at the latter place. The mouth of the river, commanded by Lumban, was effectively blocked against the entrance of the gunboats.

Shells from the Laguna de Bay drove most of the insurgents in flight up the mountain side. A small force remained in an old church, offering resistance until it was rushed by the troops. About 50 were captured and several killed. There was one casualty among the Americans, that being an arm wound.

Six launches and two cascos were captured in the river. The mouth was to be dredged today and the obstructions removed.

Santa Cruz and Pagsajan are now guarded by the men of the Fourth cavalry. Most of the Fourteenth infantry, with General Lawton, are in Lumban.

A body of insurgents attacked the rear of McArthur's division between Marilao and Bocave at 3 o'clock this

morning. The telegraph line was cut. Our loss was five killed and 14 wounded all in company M of the Second Oregon regiment, and companies C and D, of the Thirteenth Minnesota.

The insurgents loosened some rails on the railroad track, but the damage was quickly repaired.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—General Otis has forwarded the following casualty list:

KILLED.

Fourteenth infantry, April 10, Private J. W. Pitts.

Second Oregon, April 11—Company M, Privates Henry Payne, Edward Hoffman and Joseph Boddy.

Thirteenth Minnesota, April 10—Private M. Cole. April 11—Private Morris P. Beatty.

WOUNDED.

Hospital corps, April 9—Acting Hospital Steward Barnet Altman.

Thirteenth Minnesota, April 10—Henry Foss, First Lieutenant Charles Clark, First Sergeant Eugene Samson, Corporals Holden G. Gilbert, Walter Ryberg, Privates W. G. Obel, Eugene A. Harvey, C. J. Miggson, Charles Packett, John J. Young, John Lichten, Harry Anderson, Richard Kelly and Adams Hotchkiss.

Fourteenth infantry, April 10—Private William Somers.

Fourth cavalry, April 11—Private Joseph Grabowsky, head, severe.

First North Dakota—Corporal Herman Wolf.

First Idaho—Private Arthur P. Larson, forearm, severe.

Second Oregon, Company M—Privates P. Miller, abdomen, severe; Arthur Sullen, arm, slight.

CAUGHT IN A TRAP

Americans and British Attacked By Samoans.

AUKLAND, N. Z., April 12.—Dispatches from Apia, Samoa, dated April 1, say that a party of 105 American and British sailors were ambuscaded by 800 of Mataafa's rebels on a German plantation on that day. The Anglo-Americans were forced to retreat to the beach, leaving their dead.

The expedition was led by Lieutenant A. H. Freeman, of the British cruiser Tauranga.

The killed are: Lieutenant Freeman, Lieutenant P. V. Lansdale and Ensign J. R. Monaghan, of the American cruiser Philadelphia, two American sailors and two British sailors.

Ensign Monaghan stayed to assist Lieutenant Lansdale and was shot down. The natives severed the heads of the British and American killed. Priests of the French mission afterward brought the heads into Apia.

The manager of the German plantation has been arrested and is detained on board the Tauranga. Affidavits have been made declaring he was seen urging the rebels to fight.

In a previous engagement 27 of Mataafa's warriors were killed and there were no casualties among the European forces.

F. C. REED THE MAN.

Governor Geer Appoints H. D. McGuire's Successor as Fish Commissioner.

The appointment of Hon. F. C. Reed, of Astoria, as fish commissioner to succeed Hollister D. McGuire was this afternoon announced by Governor T. T. Geer. Mr. Reed is a prominent citizen of Clatsop county and has served in the Oregon legislature. He has had wide experience in the fisheries work of the Columbia, and his appointment will no doubt prove very acceptable. He is the right man for the place.—Capital Journal.

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