

DAMAGE BY WATER

New Potlatch Bridges of Northern Pacific Gone.

MUCH NEW TRACK IS INJURED

Paradise Creek Overflowed at Moscow, Flooding Railroad Tracks and Several Buildings.

MOSCOW, Idaho, Feb. 21.—A heavy rain began falling here about 10 o'clock and continued without abatement until late this afternoon. The warm rain melted the snow and this filled the gulches and streams. There were fears today of a repetition of the flood of last month when the Potlatch, but the trees were grown together, but the tree discovered by Mr. Young is a single one, nor is it well-buried.

Three Military Orders. VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., Feb. 21.—Orders have been received here announcing that Assistant Surgeon James T. Arwin, now at Fort McIntosh, Texas, has been ordered to Vancouver barracks on temporary duty, until such time as he may be able to proceed to Fort St. Michael, Alaska, where he will report to the commanding officer for duty.

Paradise Creek on the Rampage. POMEROY, Wash., Feb. 21.—The lower part of the city is under water. Paradise creek being transformed into a raging torrent by the melting snow from the mountains. A warm rain fell all day, and the water is still rising. A bridge between the city and Paradise and several houses down in the flat are surrounded with water.

NEW MILL FOR PROSSER. Also an Electric Lighting Plant to Be Run by Water Power.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 21.—The Prosser Power & Milling Company has been incorporated to do business at Prosser, W. W. H. Taylor, president, secretary and general manager. The company will erect a new flour mill near the town, at the falls of the Yakima, and will put in an electric lighting plant for the village. E. W. R. Taylor, of this place, the owner of the flour mill which has been running at Prosser for several years and doing a good business, the other day sold half interest to Kemp Messers, Taylor & Kemp will make a number of improvements and increase the capacity of the mill.

Indian Medicine Dance. The Indians of the reservation have just closed a seven days' medicine dance, near Toppenish. A peculiar feature of this dance, and one that most white people suppose has never existed except in the minds of dime-novels writers, is the fact that the participants in the dance, not all of the Yakima Indians take part in these medicine dances. Many of the men are well-educated men and women and live very much as their white neighbors.

Few Haplogers Discouraged. Not a very large percentage of the acreage of hops in this county will be planted this season, reports to the contrary notwithstanding. All of the best yards in the valley will be worked. These have all had good care, and are spring work.

Free Public Library. New quarters for the public library have been recently fitted up in the room next to the postoffice. Newspapers and periodicals are conveniently arranged in the new quarters, and the books catalogued. A large number of the latest and best works in fiction, history and science have lately been received. The library is free to the public. The institution is growing rapidly from very small beginnings until it now contains nearly 3000 volumes.

Improvements for the Town. J. M. Perry and Leonard & Horsley are getting ready to have the water works of this town. The buildings will be made on nearly fire-proof and frost proof as possible. Together they will cover 3000 feet of ground, and they will have a large storage tank, and they will use their rooms for storage purposes, and Mr. Perry will devote his building to his commission and storage business. Fred Parker and G. W. Cary are about to put up a two-story brick store room on Second street, north of Yakima avenue, and T. R. Fisher and A. Alken are preparing to go ahead with two more of stone on the same street. The site of the events, on the lots they purchased last week. The Horton residence property in the eastern part of town changed hands today at \$4000. James Wright, a well known sheepman, is being sold his new cottage on Fourth street to J. H. Hubbard.

Looking for Burglars. Sheriff Tucker is at Klama investigating the robbery of W. M. Scott's store, which occurred last Friday night. Mr. Scott's loss was about \$250. This included \$25 cash belonging to the store, \$1000 in the postoffice, which is in the same room as the store. A day or two before the residence of Nelson Rich, at Prosser, was broken into and a gold watch and chain were taken by the burglars.

HUMES WAS RENOMINATED. No Opposition to Him in the Seattle Municipal Convention.

SEATTLE, Feb. 21.—The republican city convention here today was marked by great enthusiasm and harmony. Thomas J. Humes, the present mayor, was renominated on the first ballot. There was no organized opposition to his nomination. Nominations for other offices were made by acclamation or decisive majorities, except in the case of controller. The ticket (nominating council) is: Mayor, Thomas J. Humes; controller, F. H. Paul; corporation counsel, Will H. Humphrey; treasurer, S. F. Rathburn. Humphrey is renominated. Many of the councilmen also were renominated.

MAKES STANDARDIZING RUN. In Strong Wind and Heavy Sea Makes a Knot in 20.

SEATTLE, Feb. 21.—The Goldsboro steamer her first start today today made over a knot course of 20 knots, which she covered in 15 minutes and 20 seconds, in the teeth of a strong wind and rolling on a heavy sea. She will start on this mission, and will remain here until tomorrow when it is expected that her second standardizing trial and official run will be made. She was navigated by Captain W. Patterson, who came from Portland to run her, and who will remain till she succeeds in making 20 knots for the required two hours.

A BUSTER OF A CEDAR. Eighteen Feet in Diameter and 75 Feet to the First Limb.

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A. J. Burr, Pioneer of Olympia. OLYMPIA, Feb. 21.—A. J. Burr, a pioneer resident of Olympia, died at 10 o'clock this morning after a long illness. He was 75 years of age. He was one of the first white men to engage in the cultivation of oysters and cranberries on Puget sound, which enterprise he has been prominently identified with. He held the position of postmaster of Olympia under President Grant. A son living in Spokane and a daughter in Seattle survive him.

Civil War Veteran Dropped Dead. SALEM, Feb. 21.—Alexander York, aged 72, dropped dead at Macleay this forenoon. Heart failure is supposed to have been the cause of his death. The deceased was an Ohio native, and a veteran of the civil war. He has no relatives in this part of the country. He was formerly an inmate of the Soldiers' Home, but has lately been residing at Silverton.

Washington Notes. Spokane democrats have planned a big dinner to be given on Thomas Jefferson street, April 2.