# SPEAKS FOR UREGON

Mr. Corbett Writes Letter to State Secretary's office. Secretary of War.

SUPERIOR CLAIMS FOR ATTENTION

Urges Consideration of This Port and State in the Matter of Army Supplies and Transports.

LONG BEACH, Wash., July 27 .- The action taken in Portland to get proper con-sideration from the War Department in the matter of Army supplies and transports has engaged the attention of Hon. H. W. Corbett, who is spending his vaca-tion at the seaside. He takes a lively interest in the matter, though he is here to escape business cares, and has sent cretary Root the following letter on the

Hon. Elihu Root, Secretary of War, Washington-My Dear Mr. Root: Our citizens of Portland are feeling that this ort is being somewhat ignored in the fitting out and loading of transports, and, while we concede that the department may be acting according to the best in-formation before it. I wish to call your attention at this time to the fact that the country immediately tributary to Portland is peculiarly adapted to the raising of timothy hay, the best and most suitable for horses, and for shipment to the Orient.

The extensive farming community trib-"The extensive farming community trib-utary to Portland raises the finest and heaviest oats per bushel of any section of the world that I know of. Our oats weigh in the neighborhood of 40 pounds the bushel (and this year we have specially large and excellent crops of this kind of product), whereas the oats in the Einstern States weigh from 30 to 33 pounds per bushel. The peculiarity of the climate here for the production of these excel-lent supplies for the Army should, it seems to us, require some consideration. as a large amount of hay and grain is purchased in this market and sent by rall to Seattle for shipment to the Orient at a rall expense in the neighborhood of \$3 a top, therefore it would seem that quite a saving would be made by loading the transports here.

"The success in fitting out the Lennox here, I believe, was perfectly satisfac-tory to the department, and she has con-tinued to run between here and the Phil-ippine Islands with animals and fodder. It seems to us that other ships might be loaded at this point with profit to the Government, and to the great satisfaction of this community. We do not believe that the department would attentionally discriminate against Portland and the State of Oregon. It has always given its loyal support to the Government by its voice and by its support in men in

"Kindly give this matter your careful consideration and give such directions as you may think advantageous to the Government, if you find upon examination that it is not detrimental to her interests. Yours very sincerely, "H. W. CORBETT.

"P. S.-There was a time, about two years ago, when our people were asked to bid upon these supplies, when there was quite a scarcity in consequence of the hay and oats being previously bought up here and sent to Scattle for shipment at that point. Consequently the scarcity at that time may have required our bidders to make higher prices than they year, however, we find ourselves with a large amount of this product on hand. "H. W. C."

## THREATENED HIS LIFE.

Charles Herbert Said to Have Had Designs Upon Paddy Lynch.

ASTORIA, July 27.-Charles Herbert, he sailor boarding-house runner, was arrested today on a charge of having threatebed to kill Paddy Lynch. Herbert has been in the employ of Lynch for the past year, and a few days ago was dis-charged. It is alleged that Herbert made the statement that for doing so Lynch would not live two weeks. Herbert heard of the warrant having been sworn out, and attempted to make his escape from the city. He was arrested on the tug

Wolff & Zwicker have engaged the tug Astoria, from Gray's Harbor, to assist in taking the lightship off the sands at Mc-Astoria, from Gray's Harbor, to assist in taking the lightship off the sands at Mc-Kenzie Head. The tug is now here, and of wheat, owned by Claud Randall, also will, tomorrow, tow around to the scene of the work a barge loaded with anchors and steel cables.

The log raft that was built at Stella A. Fastabend for the Robertson Raft Company arrived down the river this The raft will be towed to San Francisco by the tugs Tatoosh, of Puget Sound, and Rescue, of San Francisco.

Supplemental articles of incorporation of the Wisconsin Central Mining Company were filed in the County Clerk's office today. The object of the company is to work mines, operate tramways, buy and sell real estate, etc. The capital stock is \$55,000, and the incorporators are: W. H. Copeland, J. E. Ferguson, D. M. Stuart and J. H. Marshall. The company owns soveral claims near Sumpter that will be developed at once.

The dredging and capping of the piling for the quarantine station wharf was completed this evening, and the planking can be finished in three or four days. Work on the buildings will be commenced in a few days.

The run of fish last night and this morning showed a falling off, but all the gillnetters were successful in getting some. The traps appear to be doing poor-ly, but no complaint is coming from the

## FOUND VALUABLE FOSSILS. College Investigators Find John Day

Valley Rich. BERKELEY, Cal., July 27.-Discoverie of paleontological material are reported in a recent letter to President Wheeler, dated Monument, Or., July 4, from Pro-fessor John C. Merriam, who is at the head of the expedition sent to the John Day fossil fields in Eastern Oregon by the University of California. It says in

"So far we have been operating in the northern range of the Blue Mountains. Among our specimens are quite a num-ber of fine skulls, some of which are the best that have been found here. One of our most interesting finds is a new geo-logical formation, which is a very im-portant feature of this region, both geo-

ogically and paleontologically."
Collections are also being made by this appelltion for the University of Munica, one of the chief seats of paleontological learning in the old world.

#### NO REVENUE STAMPS NECESSARY. Question of Recording Incorporation

Articles by County Auditor. reference to affixing revenue stamps on articles of incorporation filed with the articles of incorporation filed with the County Auditor. The question grew out of the refusal of the Whitman County Auditor to file a copy of a record of in-corporation on the ground that the necesthe precedent of stamping state certifi- notice the benefits of the establishment cates in his department, and appealed of the flax plant.

to the Attorney-General to ascertain if it id be held part of his duty so to do. Vance advises Mr. Alling that upon the payment of the proper fees it is the duty of the County Auditor to record the instrument. And under no circumstance should the instruments be stamped in the

Teachers' examinations will be held August 9-11, and will include, besides the regular quarterly examinations, the reading circle examination and state examination for life diplomas and state certificates. The reading circle examination will cover all the circle work for the past two years. The state examinations will be held in these four cities, August 11: Seattle, Clympia, Spokane and Walla

#### PORTLAND MAN DROWNED. Lost Life in Yukon Country-Petition

for Mercy for Jim Hanson. SKAGWAY, July 22.-The three persons drowned when the steamer Florence E. turned turtle in Thirty-Mile River are reported to be Steward Jack McCabe, a Portland man, and Mrs. Stuart and daughter, of Victoria.

A petition for commutation of the sen-tence of Jim Hanson, who killed Bert Horton last October, has been signed by Deputy United States Marshal Tanner, who arrested Hanson; United States Commissioner Schibrede, the president of the Skagway Chamber of Commerce, and Ad-jutant and Mrs. McGill, of the Salvation Army, under whom Hanson was converted and led to confess the murder of which he is condemned.

The Yukon Flyer line has announced a cut rate from White Horse to Dawson of \$15. The regular tariff is \$60.

## Cheering Note From Nome.

Marshfield News. - Mrs. Jane Fox, who conducts the boarding-house at the stage station, received good news last week from her husband, Joseph Fox, and sons, Ernest and Wess, who are mining on Anvil Creek, in the Cape Nome country. They sold one of their claims lately for \$7000, and sent her a good portion of it, with instructions to take life easy, as they owned four pay-ing claims and were making money right along. Joe Fox is coming home in the Fail, with the intention of again returning to Alaska in the Spring.

#### PROPOSITION FOR SETTLEMENT. Dominion Labor Commissioner in

the Fraser-River Strike. VANCOUVER, B. C., July 27.—It is probable that the fishermen's strike will be entirely settled before Monday, so that all the salmon-catchers may, if they desire, start out on Sunday night. A new proposition for the quasi-recognition of the union by the canners and of the acthe union by the canners and of the acceptance of the rates of payment under which \$200 Japanese and \$600 whites are now working has been submitted to both interested parties by Labor Commissioner Bremner, sent here from Ottawa by the Federal Government. Bremner believes his proposal will be accepted by both sides. Everything was quiet at Steveston today. It is probable that the militia will be withdrawn from Steveston on Satwill be withdrawn from Steveston on Sat-urday night, unless some threatened breach of the peace develops tomorrow.

## Height of Tunnel Mountain

Wallowa Chieftain.

It is a fact known only to a few persons who have been more or less interested in mining, that Tunnel Mountain, situated seven miles south of this city and about two miles southwest of Joseph is the highest mountain peak in the State of Oregon, being 500 feet nearer the clouds than the far-famed Mount Hood, in the Cascade Mountains. The height of Tunnel Mountain was found to be 12,000 feet above the level of the sea, by the use of an aneroid in the hands of Messrs. Smith and Scott, of Portland.

#### Oregon Notes. ne of the tomate vines at Hood River are afflicted with blight.

William Holdman has lost 80 acres of standing wheat, at Weston, by fire. A little boy, playing with matches, burned Norman Long's barn, at Scio, re-

Canemah claims a 12-foot sunflower, with six blooms eight to nine inches in diameter.

Coos County warrants are selling at slight premium

A boy killed a rattlesnake in Cottage Grove, the evening of the 24th, near the entrance to a church.

Cutworms are said to let pumpking alone, but attack nearly everything else found in Valley gardens.

Miss Tackleson, of Canby, aged 17, died a few days ago, at Hood River, of con-numption. Her mother died of the same

disease seven weeks previously, Olin Anson has purchased of Thomas McConnell the 160-acre farm, five miles east of La Grande, known as the Mow The price paid was \$3900.

John L. Basye, of Helix, where he was engaged for several years in the lumber business, died on the 22d, after a week of sickness with kidney trouble. He left a wife and family.

Bob Hogan, of Hood River, who was reported drowned last week, has turned up all right. When the saliboat cap-sized with him and John Dye, he swam ashere to the Oregon side, and made his way down the river afoot.

A clip of 21.664 pounds of Crook County wool was sold yesterday to a Boston firm, mays The Dalles Chronicle of the 26th, The price was not given out, but it is known to have been in the neighbor-hood of 13 cents. This is the first break of a deadlock that has lasted for weeks The Shaniko Leader says the Columbia Southern has now men on every train whose sole business is to watch for fires along the track. In several instances watchmen discovered grass and grain burning and gave the alarm, upon which the train was stopped and the fire put

In a "card to the public," in the Newberg Graphic, H. M. Williams says: "During my mother's illness I took belis off some cows, and take this method to let the owners know where to find them. I want to say that if people only knew what sick and nervous people suffered from the clanging of cow-bells, the last one would soon disappear."

Charles Edwards is circulating a paper at Marshfield for subscriptions for survey of a road from Allegheny to the Elkton-Drain road. It would open up the Loon Lake country, a good agricultural region. It is thought the project will require about 12 miles of road in Coos and 14 in Douglas County. A preliminary examination in-dicates that the road can be built at a reasonable outlay. At some points, a 10 per cent grade will be required.

A. E. Goaseland, a harvest hand, was found dead in two feet of water in Wild Horse Creek, in the rear of Erebs' saloon, at Adams, Sunday afternoon. The Weston Leader says Goaseland "had a mark across his eyes as though he had been struck with a flexible 'billy,' and marks on the back of his head indicated that he had been kicked several times by some person wearing shoes with heavy heeis." The Coroner decided not to hold an in-

OLYMPIA, Wesh., July 17.—The Attorney-General has rendered an opinion in Mr. Larimore, of Scio, engaged 15 Japanery-General has rendered an opinion in ese te pull flax, and they arrived Tuesday or ese te pull flax. evening and commenced work in the field on T. J. Munkers' farm, says the Santiam News. There are a number of white men at work on the same field. Mr. Larimore also purchased a special flax machine for sary revenue stamps were not affixed. The cutting and saving the straw from the certificate of incorporation was then respect to the State Secretary's office, to the erection of a building for their threshgether with 20 cents, and a request to affix ing machinery, also straw sheds, etc., and and cancel the revenue stamps there. thus will give employment to a number Chief Clerk Alling was loath to establish of men all Summer. Solo is beginning to

# GRAIN YIELD NOT LARGE

CEPORTS FROM COUNTIES OF THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY.

Little Threshing Has Yet Been Done, However-Progress of the Army Worm-Hops Healthy.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., July 27 .- The hay in this section is well-nigh cared for. The first crop of clover proved almost a failure, owing to the June rains, but it is thought that, owing to the surplus carried over from last year, there will be enough to meet all local demands the coming Winter.

The grain harvest is well under way. and the end of next week will see but little standing, except in shock. Some threshing has been done about North Yamhili, and the yield is eight to ten bushels per acre, on summer-fallow. The general impression prevails that there will not be to exceed a 30 to 40 per cent yield

he has always been regarded as a "good thing" by all who wish to get something for nothing, under preter of urgent public or private necessity matter how careful the dispens of charities is, he must be deceived sometimes by the cunning wiles and schemes of those who beat their way through the world and live on their wits without useful mental or physical effort.

Many who have received favors have been so persistent and unreasonable in their demands for more that it became necessary to refuse them, and then occasionally a trumped-up claim would be brought up in the hope of extorting more-sometimes by a female dead-beat and blackmafler. The favorite scheme of a female dead-best is to operate through a male partner who, under the name of "husband," sues for the "alienation of the affections" of his "wife" after she has borowed, begged and received in various ways as much money as possible under the "poverty," "suf-fering" and general good-for-nothing racket.

Of course, the "husband" is not the possessor of the "affections" of such a of Fall wheat throughout most of the creature, and if he did possess them West Side counties. Spring wheat is prom-

### GALLERY OF OREGON NEWSPAPER MEN-No. 13.



L. N. LIGGETT, OF THE PRINEVILLE REVIEW.

Leander Newton Liggett, editor of the Princville Review, was born near Lewisville, Polk County, Or., December 23, 1853. When 13 years of age his father was elected Sheriff of the county, and they moved from their farm to Delinx. Editor Liggett entered the Oregon Agricultural College in 1869, and graduated from that institution in 1873. His first work gon Agricultural Conege in 1809, and graduates from that institution in 1812, this first work after coming from school was teaching school, which he followed until in 1873, when he was a member of the engineering party that made the preliminary survey of the Oregon Pacific Railroad, now the Corvallis & Eastern. He taught school and followed other vocations until 1876, when he entered the office of the Albany Democrat. He was with this paper four pears, and during the last two years was County School Superintendent. He came to Crook County in 1889, and engaged in the stock business. In 1893 he was elected principal of the Princylle public school, and held the position for three years. In 1893 he purchased the Review plant from Hon. J. N. Williamson, and again embarked in the newspaper business, in which he is still engaged. The Review has been independent in politics until the beginning of the last campaign, when it became the champion of the cause of Democracy. Mr. Liggett and Miss Kate E. Cowan were married at Albany, Or., in February, 1879. They have one child, a daughter, about grown.

will yield a fair crop.

The army worm, that has been proving so destructive in other portions of the Valley, has at last made its appearance in this section, though not in sufficient umbers to destroy anything except vege tables. Beans and other tender plants are the objects of attack as yet, but fruit-men are trembling lest their orchards fall prey to the destroyers.

Hops are promising well, and the har-

vest will probably begin 19 days earlier than usual.

## WORK OF ARMY WORM.

Omniverous Feeders and Overrun Farms Where They Operate.

GREENLEAP, Or., July 17 .- An arm: of worms has made its appearance in this vicinity, and at Alpha and Deadwood they are destroying every green thing, apparently preferring clover. The parent is believed to be a gray moth with a body un inch long and spread of wings of about 14 inches. The eggs are deposited in the ground and hatch in a few days. The full-grown worm is about two inches long and perhaps three-sixteenths of an inch thick, body mostly black, with narrow light-colored stripes and the belly a dark, dirty gray. Large and small, they feed ravenously at night, and by day lie curied up under any kind of rubbish. On Deadwood Creek they have been in full swing, but hereabouts they are only eginning to make their appearance Farmers are apprehensive that all vege-tables are doomed, as where they appoared the earliest the ground unde fences and all kinds of rubbish is cov ered with them and they have shown a relish for almost every kind of vege tation.

Worms Eat Potatoes in the Hill. OREGON CITY, July 27.-Postmaster E. M. Hartman, of Murquam, was here today, and stated that in some orchards the army or cut worms had begun on the apple trees, and were doing considerable damage. The apple crop is un-usually good this season, but there is danger of much of the fruit being ruined unless the worms are checked in their ravages. Charles Hartman, a brother of the postmaster, and owner of a large hopyard, dug down into a number of the hills, and found worms in the vicinity of the roots.

#### GRAIN YIELDS ABOUT CORVALLIS. Wheat Not 50 Poor as Expected, But Not Up to Ordinary.

CORVALLIS, July 27.-Scattering reports from the earlier threshing operawheat yield is not so bad as might have been expected. The crop, though con-siderably shortened, is in no sense a failure. Four acres of summer-fallow threshed on Casper Zieroif's place yielded 15 bushels per acre. Fall-sown oats on the same place went 22 bushels. A field of summer-fallow on the Hoffake farm, in Linn County, east of Corvallis, yielded but nine bushels. Full-sown wheat on a farm near Oakville averaged 10 bushels. The same field last year went 25 bushels. On the E. W. Fisher farm, north of Cor-vallia, a large field of summer-fallow yielded an average of 17 bushels. Those who saw the crop before threshing say that is an ordinary year it should have gone 25 bushels per acre. Outs on the same place went about 20 bushels.

So far regular threshing of the Fall crop has not begun. Only one machine is operating regularly. Threshing proper will begin about the middle of next week.

THE CORBETT CASE.

Pen Picture of Blackmailers Drawn

in Lane County. Ex-Senator Corbett has always been noted for his charity and liberality. He has always contributed liberally and often lavishly to the poor and unfor-

ising better returns, and it is thought him or any other person, even at Klondike or Cape Nome where the neces sities and luxuries of life are scarce and come high. But after borrowing or begging several hundred dollars under the charity racket they usually demand from \$10,000 to \$160,000 more, according to the wealth of the victim, to soothe wounded feelings and reimburse them for the waste of worthless affections that they never owned.

One hundred thousand dollars is the tor Corbett for "alienating affections." He says it is a blackmailing plot, which believes has been put up by his political enemies to injure him. He answers It and defies them by publicly announc-States Senator. Now it will be better than a monkey show to watch the antics of some of those who have been loud-mouthed against him. They are nearly all floppers from floppersville, and can turn double hand-springs over four elephants if the platform says so and the cat jumps that way.

## German M. E. Campmeeting.

MILWAUKIE, Or., July 27 .- The 13th nnual session of the Campmeeting Asociation of the North Pacific Mission Conference of the German M. E. Church commenced last night at Oak Grove or ts campus, and will continue five days, after which the Sunday School convention will convene one day. The following ministers and officers are present; Rev. George Hartung, president; T. H. Lange, presiding-elder, of Milwaukie; C. A. Priesing, secretary; Adam Klipple, treasurer; Carl Jans, of Portland; J. C. John, of Salem; George A. John, of Betheny; Julius Tragilo, of Logan; P. J. Schnert, Clarkes; C. A. Wensch, Fairhaven, Wash.; J. W. Roeder, Ta-

## Washington Notes.

Frank Stanton, one of Spokane's burglars, has pleaded guilty. Two mild cases of scarlet fever are reported in a Pullman family.

Edward Fischer, of New Whatcom, died California, July 24, of Bright's dis-

The next state convention of the Sons of Hermann will be held at Spekane in July, 1902. New coal bunkers are to be erected at Tacoma by the Northern Pacific. They will have a capacity of 10,000 tons.

The hot days of last week scalded the comatoes on the vines at several places in White Salmon, and there was considerable loss.

Peter Ahern, thought to have perished in Alaska, writes to his family in Seat-tle that he is well and prospering, and sends them 550. While political clubs are in fashion kane, the Chronicle suggests the formation of one for the men who voted for

Bryan in 1896 but will vote for McKinley Engineer Bacon, who was in the wre of the Spokane Falls & Northern Rallroad last Monday, is paralyzed from the waist down, but the physicians hope it will not prove permanent.

E. F. Michaels, a Spokane barber, hunting at Priest Lake, wounded a hear. It got him down and would probably have killed him had not his companion, W. D. enson, hurried up and given it a fatal

President Strathern and Manager Pat-erson, of the Spokane & Post Falls Lumber Company, are under arrest, charged with throwing waste from their mill into Spokans River. The complainants are

Seattle's telephone girls reject the company's effer to take them back from time to time, and say they will absolutely re-fuse to entertain any proposition that does not contemplate reinstating them all at the same time. The people of Seattle are plainly in sympathy with the young tunate and to good works and enter- women, whose pay was poor for the ex-prices of various kinds. Consequently acting service required.

# SUMPTER SMELTER RUNS

WAS STARTED FOR A TRIAL LAST THURSDAY.

Will Go on Regular Work Soon as Sufficient Ore Shall Be Delivered to It-Mining Progress.

SUMPTER, July 17.-The smelter was started up Thursday morning in charge of Smelter Expert Laughlin to make a test run. Mr. Laughlin stated that he simply wished to demonstrate to the peo-ple of this section that the smelter could treat the ores, and all that was needed to make it a success was a supply of ore sufficient to keep the fires burning. The fires were started at 13 o'clock and in 80 minutes slag was taken off. Boon as ore can be secured the smelter will again be started and kept running. bullion will be sent to Colorado refined. The smelter is owned and operated by the Union Smelter Manufacturing Company, of St. Louis.

Portland capitalists are waking up to opportunities being offered in this buy up the stock of the Nora B. Mining Company, and reorganize the company. This was effected by A. C. Going, Frank E. Hart and A. C. Comstock, of Portland, and H. L. Stewart and E. F. Warner, of Sumpter. A force of men is at work on the property doing preliminary work, getting ready for development. The property adjoins the Gold Bug Grizzly which joins the Ibex mine on the south There are four claims in the group,

Mahoney's camp, located on the Granits-Sumpter road some seven miles from Sumpter, is attracting increased attention. This camp is some two miles south of the Ibex mine and is supposed to carry the big Cracker Creek ledges. The latest strike is on the Idaho claim, owned by Mike Mahoney. In running a cross-cut tunnel a 12-foot ledge of fine quartz was encountered which carries good val-ues. The tunnel was started to cut a 60-foot ledge and will be continued an other 100 feet. The big ledge has a fine surface showing and Mr. Mahoney believes he has one of the good things of the camp. Several other prospects are being opened, all of which show well.

Development work was started on the Umpqua property this week, located on the Ibex road 41/2 miles from Sumpter. This is the property where a ledge of rich ore was crosscut a rew weeks ago. Buildings are being erected and preparations made for a permanent camp. The mine is owned by Roseburg people, together with some local mining men.

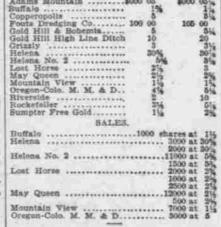
W. E. Hurd, who is opening up properties on Congo Creek and in the Green horns, reports everything active in the Greenhorn country. The Pendleton peo-ple have struck a large body of highgrade ore in the tunnel they have been driving several years. The Greenhorn country is rapidly forcing its way to a leading position among the mining dis-tricts of Eastern Oregon. The ore is all high-grade, with principal values in all-

Simon E. Lane, of Roseburg, will start work in a few days on the Lucky Boy claim, located near the North Pole mill. Mr. Lane purchased this property recently, together with other claims in the same locality. The property has a good surface showing.

There is considerable activity in the Beaver Creek section, some two miles south of the Red Boy mine. J. H. Withar is running a 100-foot tunnel on the Leo group. Assessment work to group. Assessment work is being on the Hobson and Perdue claims and on the Jerome group.

#### Mining Stock Quotations. Following are the transactions at the Orego

Mining Stock Exchange yesterday: 



SPOKANE, July 27.—The closing bids for SPOKANE, July 27.—The closing bids for mining stocks today were:
Blacktail ... 40 10 Noble Five ... 40 05
Butte & Boaton ... Princeas Maud ... 120
Deer Trail Con ... 4% Quilp ... 10
Evening Star ... 7
Golde Leage ... 1 Reservation ... 83
Golden Harvest ... 8ullivan ... 114
L.X. L... 11 Tom Thumb ... 181
Insurgent ... 14 Conjecture ... 14
Lone Pins Surg. ... 34, Hecia ... 140
Morn. Glary ... 23, Hecia ... 140

SAN FRANCISCO, July 21.-The official clos-Alin ......\$0 05| Justice .......\$0 07 Alpha Con ..... 5| Mexican ....... 13 4 Occidental Con 15 Ophir 20 Potosi est & Belcher 20 Potosi
Savage
71 Seg Belcher
12 Sherra Nevada
14 Siver Hill
65 Standard
14 Utah Con
12 Utah Con
21 Yellow Jacket Caledonia ..... Challenge Con ...

Chollar
Cromidence
Con. Cal. & Va...
Crown Point
Gould & Curry
Hale & Norcross. NEW YORK, July 27.-Mining stocks today 

BOSTON, July 27.-Closing quotations \*Asked.

# BARNEY COUNTY'S FAIR.

Horserseing and Ball Playing to Be Leading Features-Other News. BURNS, Or., July M.-Preparations are being pushed for the first annual

fair of Harney County, to be held at Burns September 17 to 22 inclusive. The incorporation of the Harney County Fair Association, with J. J. Denegan, president, and H. E. Thompson, secretary, has just been perfected. A three-quarter-mile racetrack has been completed half a mile from town, a grandstand with large scating capacity has also been erected and a pavilion to be used for the displays and for dancing is under construction. Large exhibits of Harney County products are especially expected. It is surprising what fine specimens of fruit and vegetables are raised at this altitude, which is more than 4000 feet above sea level at nearly every point in the county. Hay, alfalfa, and other forage grasses grow here as they grow in no other country. Harney County has given \$250 to the fair enterprise and the town of Burns is expected to give the same amount. Fifteen hundred dollars is expected to be ruised by private sub-

scription. Half the amount was raised resterday, the first day's canvass.

This is a great racehorse and baseball country. There will be a \$500 baseball game during the fair, the winner of the game to take the purse. In fact, all money raised will be devoted to baseball and horse-racing. A number of local horses with state reputations will be entered. Red S., of this county, with a record of three-eighths of a mile in M seconds will be entered. Pin Ear, Gray Dandy, Special, Blacky, Butcher Boy, Chess, and several other home horses will also be entered. Lassoing exhibi-tions and championship riding by ladies will also be among the attractions.

The association has rented the grounds upon which the track and buildings are located for a period of 10 years, and the capital stock subscribed is \$2500. This will be increased and the Harney County fair will bereafter be a permanent

Dr. J. W. Gerry has just returned from Harney, a small town of about 200 inhabitants, 14 miles east of this place where he was called to investigate a smallpox epidemic. He found that there had been in the last few weeks at that place it well-defined cases of smallpox. and a boy 16 years old by the name of Wright died. It is claimed that the dis-ease was contracted in Baker City. The people did not believe that it was small-pox until all living in the place were probably exposed. They went about their business as usual and were taken down not knowing what was the matter. Even this place is in danger, as many Harney people came here while the epidemic was raging and before it was known to be smallpox. People are being vaccinated here and every precaution is being used to prevent the spread of the disease in case it breaks out. The cases at Har-ney are now being isolated and precautions taken to keep the epidemic from apreading further. The disease is re-ported as of malignant type.

The having season is on in earnest and will last until frost. The yield is a little lighter on account of the late dry seaon, but the crop will still be immense, as it always is.

The foothills adjoining the valley in this vicinity abound with rattle-snakes. A rattler 31/2 feet long, with a string of buttons like an old-time "charm string." adorns the show case of a local hardware dealer. He eats frogs and such other things as are caught and offered him for food, and seems to enjoy "licking" out his tongue and striking against the glass of the show case at the curious as

The records of this county are undergoing their annual experting and the Courthouse itself is being overhauled A DOZEN HORSES BURNED.

Two Men Narrowly Escaped From Buckley Fire-Loss \$20,000. TACOMA, July II .- At 1 o'clock this morning a fire at Buckley destroyed four buildings and the greater portion of their contents, causing a loss of \$20,000, with little insurance. The fire started in Bank's livery stable, where 12 horses were burned, and spread to the Standard Hotel and the Ploneer Restaurant. By hard work the fire was gotten under control at 4 o'clock. The Sorenson bothers had a narrow escape. They were sleeping over their laundry, and the flames spread so quickly they did not have time to dress The chief losses are: Standard Hotel, \$000 Bank's livery stable, \$3000; A. S. Updale, store building, \$3000; Harvey block, \$4000 no insurance on the above. Summit Sa-Summit Saloon building, \$2999; insured, \$1200. A. T. Rogers, saloon stock, \$509; insured. Martin Grau's stock of merchandise, loss \$600;

NORTHWEST DEAD.

insured.

Miss Coovert, of Salem. SALEM, July 27.-Miss Lucy Coovert, aged 17 years, died last evening at the family home, one mile south of the Re

Improving Forest Grove Streets. FOREST GROVE, July 27.—Surveyor Walker, by order of the City Council, has established the grade from Main street, and it will require a lowering of 20 inches, practically taking off the gravel and rock which has been placed on the roadway in the past 10 years. The object is to provide gutters. This street improvement has been a bone of contention for several months, the Council recently passing an ordinance involving an outlay of some \$1200. This was unsatisfactory to the property-owners, and later they were au-thorized to do the work themselves, the Street Superintendent to be the inspector. Now the city authorities have concluded that by trying to please everybody they are pleasing no one, and so will fix the matter in their own way, this survey be-

## ing preliminary to determine what is A Chapter of Accidents.

Hood River Glacier. A chapter of accidents happened at the Hood River box factory last Friday and Saturday. Friday morning Flint Bradford "monkeyed with the buzz saw" and lost the tips of two fingers, a third being lacerated. Next, Dorrance Smith stepped on a nail that entered his foot two inches, more or less; and then one of the off-bearers, delivering cants, fell offthe high porch and might have broken his neck. Saturday morning, soon after the works started up, W. T. Hansberry met with an accident that nearly cut off his hand. Leon Ulrich fainted at the sight of blood, but before doing so had presence of mind to run down stairs and stop the engine. After the accident to Mr. Hansberry, the factory closed down for the day.

Increasing Manufacturing Facilities. OREGON CITY, July 37 .- W. P. Hawley, manager of the Crown Paper Com-pany's new mill at Floriston, Cal. is here consulting with Superintendent Dalton in reference to the improvements now being pushed toward completion in the company's Oregon City mill. When position shall be in running order, it is expected that the output of sulphite pulp will be doubled. They say that there is an outside market for the pulp. Mr. Hawley, who was formerly super intendent of the Crown mills here, still retains his interests in the concern. It is a notable fact that all the industrial enterprises here are gradually adding facilities for increased production.

Death by Cecaine.

SEATTLE July 7.-D. Valencourt Deuell, late leading man in 'The Sport-ing Duchess," playing with Rose Cogh-lan, is dying in the floating mission in this city from cocaine, after two des-perate attempts at suicide. His father, a prominent New York man, is now president of the Pension Board at Saratoga. Deuell was picked up by the police running down the street in a mad delirium, flourishing a pistol, which he turned upon himself, but missed.

Chehalis Primary Election.

CENTRALIA, Wash., July 27 .- At a primary election held here yesterday in the Second Ward, delegates were selected for the county convention, on August 4. But some dispute has arisen as to the notice of this election, so notices have been posted calling another primary election for Saturday, July 28. The other wards will hold their election on that day.

Three at the Pentientiary. SALEM, July Zi.-James Ross, Sheriff of Benton County, today brought to the Penitentiary F. Baker and Bert Griffith, charged with stealing and killing cattle, to serve three years each; also Walter Ben, a Siletz Indian, charged with lar-ceny from a store, to serve two years.

## CRUSHED UNDER A WAGON

FATAL PRANK OF 8-YEAR-OLD BOY AT HOOD RIVER.

After Wheel Passed Over Him He Jumped Up and Ran to the House, but Soon Died.

HOOD RIVER, July 27 .- Willie, aged s son of John Forbes, of this place, was killed today. He tried to climb on a heavy load of lumber while the wagon was moving, and fell and the hind wheel passed over his body diagonally across his chest. After the wagon passed over him he got up and ran from the road to the house, but soon became uncon-scious and died in about 15 minutes.

CITY OFFICERS UNDER ARREST They Interfere With Addition to

Wooden Building in Fire Limits. WALLACE, Ida., July 2. The moyar, six Councilmen, Chief of Police, City At-torney and street overseer are all under arrest for interfering with work on Jones & Dean's building. The old peaked roof was being torn off from the one-story wooden building and a second story added with a flat roof in the fire limits. The officials claimed this was a violation of the fire ordinance and started to tear down the scaffolding when the arrests foilowed. Hearing is set for temorrow norning.

Notes of the Crops. Some fields of late sown oats near New-berg were literally burned to a crisp by

the recent hot speil.

The Coos Bay creamery is making 800 pounds of butter per day. Last year, at this time, the output was between 1100 and 1200 pounds per day. The rayages of the cutworm is given as the reason of the shortage. It attacks pastures as well as gardens. Several fields of clover, where grazs was growing, reported by where grass was growing luxuriantly two weeks ago, are now reported by the Marshileid News to be as brown and bare as California hillsides. Some of the farmers say that similar conditions prevailed li years ago, and that the worms have not appeared to any extent from then until the present time.

The average yield from 800 acres of wheat so far threshed by one outfit in the Athena and Weston neighborhoods is about 26 bushels. The average was cut down by a 140-acre field near Milton that only averaged 10 bushels. Most of the Fall grain is making about 30 bush-els, but fields running above this are ex-

L. T. McBride's barley below Weston averaged 60 bushels per acre, and his wheat is making 35 bushels per acre. Mr. McBride considers it a little the best wheat he has ever seen threshed, so round and plump are the berries and so uniform their size. This yield is not large, for the usual reason this year-grain too thick, heads too short. The yield of wheat in Umatilia is one-fourth less than was expected.

The Alpha Will Keep Shy.

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 27 .- To avoid threatened seizure by the United States authorities for violating the American Treasury regulations in illegally landing freight at Nome last May, the owners of the Canadian steamer Alpha will keep this Vancouver ship out of American waters. Although the owners claim that the libel against the Alpha was wrongfully levied, they have decided to put her in Canadian coasting trade, out of harm's way. She left this afternoon for Fraser River where she will load tin and lead for Skeena River, returning with a cargo of salmon. She will keep carefully within the three-mile limit.

Cutworms in Whatcom County. NEW WHATCOM, Wash., July 27 .-This portion of the state is suffering se-verely from cutworms which have invaded it in greatest numbers, completely devouring gardens and devastating or-chards. In many gardens not a plant is left with a leaf upon it. Paris green alone seems to destroy them, mixtures commonly used to kill pests of this kind failing utterly. Not a pound of Paris green, however, can be bought in this city, the demand for it having exhausted the supply.

Press Association Adjourns.

NEW WHATCOM, Wash., July 27.-The State Press Association concluded its work today and adjourned. All members enjoyed a steamer excursion to Semiahmoo Spit today, where a fish luncheon was served at noon. During the trip the new officers were inducted into their positions, and resolutions were passed thanking all persons and societies who had to do with their entertainment,

Bowlin Under Protection of Court. PENDLETON, Or., July 27 .- J. B. Bowlin, after hiding in the Blue Mountains two days and nights, appeared here today, pincing himself under the protection of the courts lest the alleged attempt to kidnap him be repeated. He is contemplating proceeding against the men, who, he asserts, unlawfully entered his

Mrs. Kreft's Residence Burned. THE DALLES, Or., July M.-The resi-ence of Mrs. Paul Kreft, with its contents, was destroyed by fire this after-noon. The fire originated in a room which was being fumigated. This loss is par-ticularly distressing at this time, as Mr. Kreft was buried Wednesday. The house was partially insured.

According to a report of the Labor Commissioner of New Hampshire, the shoe output of that state last year was \$22.-

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