DEMOCRATS IN IDAHO

Factional Fight Is Carried to the Supreme Court.

WOODS AND BARTON ARE LEADERS

Objection Is Raised to the Proposed Arrangement of Official Ballot by Shoshone County Recorder.

BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 13.—The Shoshone County Democrats have gotten their case into court at last through a case filed in the Supreme Court late tonight by J. H. Hawley and A. W. Fraser on behalf of the regular "Woods" Democrats. The suit is brought to force the County Auditor of Shoshone County to file the ticket nominated by the Woods Democrats as the regular Democratic ticket, and to restrain him from placing the Barton or "law and order" ticket on the official ballot as the Democratic ticket. The Democratic State Central Committee is behind the move. It will be remembered that when the Democrats split at their first county convention last May, that the Barton or "law and order" Democratic delegation was seated at the Lewiston convention. At the Pocatello convention the Woods or "dynamite" delegation was seated. The Barton Democrats recently met and put up a ticket, while the Woods faction met and formed a fusion with the Shoshone County Populists. The County Auditor filed the Barton ticket as the regular Democratic ticket and the suit just instituted is to compel him to file the regular Democratic ticket.

FIRE IN COAL BUNKERS.

Early Discovery of Blaze at Astoria Prevents Any Great Loss.

ASTORIA, Sept. 13.—A fire was discovered in the coal bunkers of the Pacific Coast Company this morning, and for a time it was feared that not only this property would be destroyed, but also the O. R. & N. wharf and warehouse adjoining. The fire department was successful in extinguishing the flames, with but little loss resulting.

Ten Chinamen, who had been ordered deported for not being rightfully in this country, arrived down on the noon train in charge of Custom Inspectors, and were placed on board the steamship Monmouthshire, which is expected to leave out for the Orient tomorrow morning.

The preliminary hearing of J. Conners, who shot Tony Johnson Wednesday morning, was held in the Justice Court this afternoon. He was bound over to await the action of the next grand jury on a charge of assault with intent to kill.

The Circuit Court will convene on next Monday. There are only about 80 civil cases on the docket, a much smaller number than usual, but the criminal docket is larger than for a number of years.

THE DALLES CARNIVAL ASSURED.

Will Be Called the Harvest Fair, and Will Be Held October 11 to 15.

THE DALLES, Or., Sept. 13.—The project of holding a street fair here has assumed an aspect of certainty. At a called meeting of the projectors last night, an executive committee of five was appointed to take charge of all arrangements, appoint subcommittees and generally manage the fair, which will be called the Harvest Fair, and will be held from the 11th to the 15th of October. The executive committee met this morning and appointed a subcommittee, which was instructed to visit Portland, confer with the managers of the Fair there, and arrange for special attractions.

Constable Hill arrived home from La Grande this morning, having in charge a man answering the description of George Macey, a warrant for whose arrest was issued Monday, on a charge of obtaining money from Robert Hahn under false pretenses by forging the name of J. T. Armstrong. Upon Mr. Hahn's confronting the prisoner this morning, it was found that the wrong man had been apprehended and brought from Union County. He was promptly set at liberty.

CHURCH ANNIVERSARY.

Oakville Presbyterian Church an Organization For Fifty Years.

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 13.—At Oakville this afternoon the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of Willamette congregation of the United Presbyterian church at that place was celebrated, being made a part of the exercises of the annual meeting of the Synod of the Columbia, in session there this week.

Mrs. Ellen E. Barr died last night in this city at the home of her son, W. B. Barr, at the age of 83 years. She came to Albany about two years ago from Salem, Mass., where she belonged to an old and prominent New England family. The remains will be taken to Massachusetts for burial.

Good deer hunting is reported in the east end of Linn County. Five Albany men returned from there last evening, after having killed nine deer in a few days. Unlike most years, there is no complaint this season of the Indians slaughtering the game.

NORTHWEST DEAD.

Mrs. Mary M. Davis, a Washington Pioneer.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 13.—Mrs. Mary M. Davis died at the home of her son, William A. Davis, at Felida, yesterday. The immediate cause of her death was an attack of Summer complaint, or dysentery.

Mrs. Davis was 75 years of age and had been a resident of Clark County since 1866. She was the widow of Captain Alfred Davis, who died at the old family home at Pioneer, Clark County, in 1867. Deceased was born in the State of Illinois. Seven children survive her—Napoleon Davis, of Portland; Charles B. and Frank Davis, of Pioneer, Wash.; William A. Davis, of Felida, Wash.; Mrs. Martha Went, of Portsmouth, Or.; Mrs. Jane Rosenstock, of Marshland, Or.; Mrs. Emma Dixon, of Orient, Or., and Mrs. Mary O'Donnell, of Felida.

Dr. Honan, Prominent La Grande Citizen.

LA GRANDE, Sept. 13.—Dr. Honan, a resident of this city for 20 odd years, died here last evening, after a very brief illness. He was one of the wealthiest men in this section, and, with his wife, had but lately returned from an extended tour of Europe.

LONG VOYAGE COMPLETED.

Schooner From New Jersey Arrives at Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 13.—The schooner Carrier Dove, of 83 tons, arrived here today from South Amboy, N. J., from whence she sailed January 16, completing one of the longest voyages on record for a craft of her size. Captain John Grottle and a crew of five men were the only persons making the trip. She accomplished the difficult feat of sailing through the Straits of Magellan, taking six weeks' time to pass from ocean to ocean.

GALVESTON RELIEF FUND.

Several Hundred Dollars Raised in Seattle—Sum Will Be Increased.

SEATTLE, Sept. 13.—A relief fund for the Galveston flood sufferers was started here yesterday by the Post Intelligencer and several hundred dollars has already been raised. Mayor Humes issued a proclamation calling upon the people for aid, and the appeal was seconded by the Chamber of Commerce. The matter will be taken up by the daily papers today in the shape of a formal appeal for aid. The leading musical organization of the city will give a benefit concert. It is expected to swell the amount into thousands.

AN AUSPICIOUS OPENING.

McMinnville College Enters Upon New Year With Bright Prospects.

M'MINNVILLE, Sept. 13.—The new year at McMinnville College began yesterday. A public exercise held in the college chapel at 10 o'clock was largely attended. President Boardman announced that the college opened its doors for the new year under unusually auspicious circumstances. Old students have generally returned, and many new students are in attendance. All sections of the state are already represented.

School Opening Postponed.

HILLSBORO, Or., Sept. 13.—The Board of Directors has postponed the opening of school until Monday, September 24, to allow students who are in the hopfields to enter when school opens. As a matter of fact, about one-half of the pupils are now employed in the hopyards.

INDIAN POLICE CHIEF DEAD.

John Harney, of Siletz Reservation, Died From Effects of a Fall.

INDEPENDENCE, Sept. 13.—John Savage, an Indian runner from the Siletz reservation, arrived here Monday night, bringing the news that John Harney, chief of the Indian police, had died in the morning from the effects of a fall from a bridge last week, while on his way to the hop fields here. Twelve of the Indians here started yesterday morning for the reservation to attend the funeral of their chief, while the remainder of the Indians here observed the day by not working.

Supreme Court Orders.

SALEM, Sept. 13.—In the Supreme Court today, the following proceedings were had:

Hiram S. Stone, appellant, vs. William M. Ladd, respondent, ordered on motion that appellant have until October 1, 1900, in which to serve and file his brief herein.

J. W. Henry, appellant, vs. Yamhill County, respondent, argued and submitted.

State, ex rel. Jones, respondent, vs. George Conn, appellant, argued and submitted.

Notes of Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 13.—School District No. 9, Clark County, has just completed the sale of $600 bonds to Joseph Carter, of this city. The bonds are to run five years and draw 7 per cent interest.

It is the purpose of the Prohibition party managers to effect a permanent organization in the county, and nominate a full ticket for county offices.

Prisoner Still at Large.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Sept. 13.—Daniel J. Whitney, the soldier found guilty of desertion and sentenced to one year's imprisonment at Alcatraz, who escaped yesterday, is still at large. A very strict watch is maintained, and the country has been thoroughly scoured. It is now thought certain that friends are assisting the man to escape.

Important Mail Contract Let.

GRANT'S PASS, Or., Sept. 13.—Lister & Calvers have obtained the contract for carrying the mail from here to Crescent City, Cal., a distance of 86 miles. This is the most important mail and stage route in Southern Oregon.

New Forest Grove Professor Arrives.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Sept. 13.—Professor Rollo L. V. Lyman, of Pierre, S. D., the new teacher in English and public speaking in Pacific University, arrived here last night.

Oregon Notes.

The La Grande public schools have 547 pupils.

There are fully 3000 people picking hops in the yards near Independence.

A movement has been inaugurated to provide a reading-room at Grant's Pass.

The County Court of Douglas has ordered an appropriation for the road to the Mount Reuben mines.

Ashland's new east school building has just been completed, and was opened for public inspection on Saturday.

The United States fish hatchery, at the mouth of Elk Creek, in Southern Oregon, is being enlarged and improved.

James Swank this week shipped two hounds from Lebanon to a man in Washington, which he recently sold for $50.

The Albany college opens next week under favorable auspices. Several strong additions have been made to the faculty.

There will be no district fair in Jackson and Josephine Counties this year. Its promoters have become discouraged by repeated failure.

Dr. F. M. Brooks, Mayor of Silverton, and Dr. Jessie Fremont Davis, sister of the Mayor of Albany, were married last Tuesday evening.

The Baker City schools are very much crowded, and by another year a third school building will be necessary. It will probably be built in the southern part of town.

The prune drier on the Peterson farm, east of Macleay, and about 14 miles from Salem, was destroyed by fire Tuesday morning. The damage is estimated at about $150.

A brace of young men who were beating the slot machines at two or three places in Albany were caught and made to refund 5 cents for each lead piece found in the machine.

By reason of his horse stumbling and throwing him heavily to the ground, John Woodsworth had his left shoulder dislocated last Saturday while herding sheep near Ophir, Curry County.

The State Fish Commissioner has inspected the fishway and dam in the Rogue River at Roseburg. He found that reports about the illegal construction of the dam were without foundation.

H. C. Levens, who, with several others, has taken a "desert" claim in the big sagebrush belt, about 18 miles east of Burns, has made arrangements to sink a number of wells on the land located, which will be used for irrigating purposes.

W. B. Smith, who resides east of Brownsville, is peculiarly afflicted. His eyesight has been dimmed—yet he can see, but if he desires to turn to the right is sure to turn to the left. Mr. Smith can look at the sun for an hour without apparently affecting the eye.

A. B. Hudleson, of Jefferson, Tuesday brought in three peaches—two weighing 11 ounces each, and the other 12 ounces, says the Salem Statesman. The seed was planted by Mr. Hudleson's little girl, four years ago, and the tree this year produced seven freestone peaches.

W. B. Dennis, owner of the Eugene street railway, has addressed a communication to the City Council, in which he says he would extend the line if there was fair prospect of return on the investment, and that he would continue service under present condition, if it were not for the city's unwarranted demands.

Everything is now in readiness for the Harney County Fair. The race track has been put in fine condition and the grounds fenced and cleaned. Floral Hall has been completed, and nothing remains undone in the way of preparing for exhibits. The stables and pens for stock are completed, as well as the houses for the poultry display.

CROPS NEARLY GARNERED

LIGHT SHOWERS INTERFERE SOMEWHAT WITH HOP HARVEST.

Picking Will Cease in Some Yards This Week—Prune Drying Not So Well Advanced.

SALEM, Sept. 13.—Hoppicking in this vicinity is progressing rapidly, with no interruptions, except on account of the brief showers. In many of the small yards picking will be finished by the end of this week. There is no change in the market, so far as local conditions indicate, and no material change in the quality of the crop.

In a few Marion County orchards prune drying will close this week, but most of the growers will not finish for 10 days yet. The best offer for Italian prunes, so far as learned, is 5½ cents for 30s to 40s, with 2½ per cent commission off and sacks furnished. This is equal to about 5¼ cents net. Not many sales are reported, and growers generally are not anxious to sell until they have finished curing and have time to study the market.

Two hop contracts, both executed July 23, 1900, were filed in the Recorder's office today. F. G. Davis, of Silverton, and William S. McKinley, of Silverton, contracted 16,000 pounds of hops each to Hans C. Wahlberg, of Portland, at 10 cents per pound. Both contracts were assigned on August 31 to A. J. Ray.

HOPYARDS AROUND GERVAIS.

Harvest Will Close Saturday—Many Fields Marked by Mould.

GERVAIS, Sept. 13.—The hoppicking season is fast drawing to a close, and Saturday night will witness the close of the harvest in nearly all the yards in this section. Already many pickers are starting homeward.

In the Boutwell district a few yards were abandoned before the crop was all gathered, on account of mould, and it is quite possible that a number of yards hereabouts will be abandoned.

Tuesday and Wednesday were extremely warm, while today cooler weather prevails. In fact, rain drove the pickers from the field in the forenoon, but work was resumed this afternoon under a heavy south wind. This weather has been very trying on the crop, and has undoubtedly caused mould in all the yards.

GOOD PRICE FOR HOPPICKERS.

Washington Growers Compelled to Pay $1 Per Box.

TACOMA, Sept. 13.—Hopgrowers have been forced to pay $1 per box for picking, as the laborers combined in demanding a raise from 75 cents to $1 per box.

Some contracts for the new crop have been closed at 12 to 15 cents per pound. These prices insure the grower a good profit, as hops can be raised in this district for 7 or 8 cents per pound.

Hoppicking Nearing an End.

HILLSBORO, Or., Sept. 13.—If the present good weather continues, hoppicking will be completed by the last of next week. Many smaller yards are now harvested, and in a day or so there will be plenty of pickers.

OLD APPLE TREE NOT SPARED.

Planted at Oregon City Sixty Years Ago, Felled Yesterday.

OREGON CITY, Sept. 13.—This afternoon one of the oldest apple trees in Oregon, growing on the old Methodist Church property, was cut down by order of a new purchaser of the lot. The tree was nearly 60 years old. It was planted from the seed in the early 40s by Alvin F. Waller, and was transplanted by Rev. Gustavus Hines to the ground on which it grew to the height of about 40 feet and 22 inches in diameter. The tree stood on the lot near where the first Protestant church built west of the Rocky Mountains still stands. During all these years it has shaded the parsonage and stood at the rear of the two church edifices constructed. The local Methodist Episcopal Church still retains the ground on which the church buildings stand, but sold the lot where the tree stood, which is to be used as business property. The tree bore an abundance of fruit.

COLLAR-BONE FRACTURED.

Lady Struck by Stick of Wood Which Fell From Train.

OREGON CITY, Sept. 13.—Mrs. Rebecca Turney, an elderly woman, residing a mile south of Canemah, sustained a fracture of the collar-bone this morning. She was struck by a stick of wood which fell from a passing train. Mrs. Turney was on her way to town, walking on the railroad track. She was picked up by the train and carried home, and Dr. Sommer, the railroad physician, summoned. It is not believed that her injuries will result seriously.

Injuries Proved Fatal.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Sept. 13.—John Wilcox, of Gaston, an employe in the Patton & Holsches saw mill, 12 miles southwest of this place, died last night as the result of being severely burned by the bursting of a steam pipe Monday. A wife and five children survive him.

Ran Over by Freight Train.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 13.—At Ashcroft today George Khappit, a ranchman, while lying in a drunken stupor across the railroad tracks was run over by a freight train and killed.

Idaho Notes.

John Green, a prominent Democrat of Lewiston, has announced himself a Republican.

George Busen, while digging a posthole at Delta, found a $18 nugget in the clay several feet above bedrock.

The grand jury of Shoshone County has recommended enforcement of the law against carrying concealed weapons, and that use of the Wallace city jail be discontinued.

Senator Shoup gives encouragement that a free delivery system will be established at Lewiston at an early date. He has directed that a petition be made out setting forth the qualifications of the city for the service.

Diphtheria is prevalent in the country south of Moscow, and James Peterson, a farmer living nine miles out of town, has lost two children, one a daughter 18 years old, who would have graduated from the University of Idaho next year.

William Hunter, a wealthy farmer who has large tracts of land in Latah County, has received a shipment of brook trout from one of the Government hatcheries. The fish will be placed in an artificial pond on one of Mr. Hunter's farms, two miles north of town.

Placer mining on Snake River has been given a decided impetus by the success of the big hydraulic plant being operated by the Salmon River Mining & Development Company at Salem Bar, 30 miles above Lewiston on the Snake River. At least two other companies are forming to work other bars on the river.

There is some talk of creating a new county from parts of Shoshone, Nez Perces and Idaho Counties. The one obstacle in the way of the design is that the state constitution provides that no new county shall be created which has a less assessed valuation than $1,000,000. The proposed boundaries do not contain this valuation.

The contest between the Democratic factions in Shoshone County is to be taken into the courts. The County Auditor filed the ticket nominated by the law and order element of the party, shutting the opposing ticket out. If the courts are appealed to, it will be to determine which ticket is entitled to be filed under the Democratic name.

The Board of Nez Perces County Commissioners has fixed the 1900 tax levy at $2 60 for every $100 worth of property. The total levy is the same as last year. The apportionment to the state fund was increased 3 mills, the bond sinking tax fund 1 mill, while the county road and redemption funds were each reduced 2 mills.

A. W. Standrod, of Pocatello, Republican candidate for Governor of Idaho, said in Spokane recently: "Everything looks favorable to Republican success. I find considerable friction within the ranks of the opposition. A poll of the large new immigration of the state shows it to be largely Republican again. Comparatively all of the Silver Republicans have gone back to the old party. I am more than pleased at the great interest manifested at the meetings it has been my pleasure to address."

An application has been filed by Judge W. B. Heyburn with the Commissioner of the General Land Office, at Washington, for the opening of a large tract of the Bitter Root forest reserve in Idaho. The tract is the part covering the principal mining camps of the region, and contains about 650 square miles. The area of the entire Bitter Root reserve is seven or eight times as great as this tract and is larger than the whole State of Connecticut. It takes in part of Montana. The 46th parallel runs nearly midway through it.

William H. Smoth, the superintendent of the Fort Lapwai school, Idaho, makes the most despairing report for the year. He says he has great difficulty in securing attendance, a problem that yearly becomes more difficult. Last year but a third of the children of school age took advantage of the schooling offered them. He thinks the payments to the Indians, leisure, hunting, fishing and eternal visiting are tending to break up the schools, and, without authority to compel attendance, he sees no remedy for the defects. He looks for a decrease rather than an increase in attendance during the present year.

A Freak Kitten.

Port Townsend Leader.

Quite a freak was discovered last week at Ludlow in the shape of a newly born kitten. It had its tongue divided lengthwise, one half being fastened to the side of the mouth, and from the other half a peculiar sack-like growth passed to the outside of the mouth and was fastened to the side of the head. From the roof of the mouth a flap of skin protruded, covered with hair much resembling white feathers. The kitten seemed as well and strong as the others in the litter for several days, but from being unable to obtain nourishment it died.

THE GALVESTON AND TEXAS DISASTER.

To the Clergy and Congregations of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Oregon—Dear Brethren: You are fully informed of the terrible flood that has almost wiped out of existence the City of Galveston, on the southern border of the State of Texas, and of the consequent appalling suffering, that has come upon thousands of men, women and children in this doomed city. I feel sure that your sympathies are already enlisted in the terrible sufferings of these our brethren, of whatever class and condition of life they may be; and that you will cheerfully respond to my recommendation and request. This is, that on Sunday next, September 16, or at the latest on the following Sunday, the 23d, an offering be taken in all our churches for the Galveston sufferers, to be sent promptly to the Right Rev. George Herbert Kinsolving, Bishop of the Diocese of Texas, to be dispensed by him through such agencies as he may direct or appoint.

Bishop Kinsolving is no doubt himself now in the midst of these afflicted people, or in close connection with them, through his clergy and sympathizing men and women, devoting all their powers to the relief of their sufferings; and we may be well assured that our contributions will be wisely dispensed. I would also request that all our Sunday schools be asked to make an offering for this same object, and that the 23d day of the month be fixed upon for their offering, so that there may be time for full notice and instruction concerning the object and its nature. It may not always be literally true, according to the familiar proverb, that "he gives twice who gives quickly," but the suggestion is quite appropriate here, and, I hope, will have good influence.

There is no time here for extended counsel or exhortation, and I will only recall these familiar words of Holy Scripture: "Whoso hath this world's good and seeth his brother have need and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" "Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was an hungered and ye gave me meat; I was thirsty and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger and ye took me in; naked and ye clothed me; I was sick and ye visited me; I was in prison and ye came unto me." "Verily, I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Mr. Francis Sealy, of Sealy, Mason & Co., Fourth and Morrison streets, has kindly consented to act as treasurer of this fund, and forward the amount collected in one sum to Bishop Kinsolving. Very truly your Bishop,

B. WISTAR MORRIS.

WASHINGTON LOG MARKET

PRICE FOR TIMBER HAS BEEN REDUCED TO $5 PER THOUSAND.

General Closing Down of the Camps Expected—Several Have Already Ceased Operations.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Sept. 13.—The glut in the California market for rough lumber, the failure of Montana and Dakota crops, together with the heavy surplus of logs at tidewater, have forced the price of logs down to $5 per 1000. Loggers are compelled to close down their camps. Young & Thompson, Charles Clemens, and Donald Gillies are among those who will close or have closed. It is believed that all will close, and wait until the price is put back to the old figure, at least.

SAVING FLOUR GOLD.

New Dredge Working Successfully on Snake River.

A. Powell, a Portland engineer, returned yesterday from Minidoka, Idaho, where he superintended the erection of a gold-saving dredge for the Yale Dredge Company. This company has been dredging the bars of Snake River in the neighborhood of Minidoka for the past five years, and has succeeded so well that it decided to put in a larger plant in addition to the old one, which was worked on the suction principle, the gold-bearing sand and gravel being drawn up to a system of sluice-boxes on board the dredge.

Mr. Powell says the gold in the bars of Snake River is very fine and light, and is known as "flour gold" by miners. It does not sink to the bed of the river, but settles in the gravel within a few feet of the surface, and so its extreme lightness makes it hard to save. A system of burlaps connected with the sluices, however, has proven successful, and ground that pays 10 cents to the cubic yard can be profitably worked, no gold being left in the tailings. The dredge he has just set up was built in Portland at a cost of $15,000, and its buckets bring up gravel and gold from a depth of 20 feet below the surface of the water. Its capacity is 2000 yards per day, and a crew of 10 men keep it in constant operation. The old suction dredge will also be operated day and night, about 30 miles below the new one, as a bar has been found where pay gravel exists near the top. Dredging can be carried on successfully for nine months in the year, he says, as the stage of water does not affect the working of the machinery, and the depth of the buckets can be regulated to suit freshets or low-water spells. The freezing periods liable to occur in December, January and February would put a stop to the work for a few weeks at a time.

The only other dredge at work on Snake River at present, he says, is the "Rankkee," owned by the Gold Fields of Oregon Company, some distance below, at what is known as the Big Bend of the Snake, opposite Parmer station, on the Oregon Short Line. He looks for an increase in the number of these plants, however, as there are, doubtless, other bars on Snake River, between its headwaters and Riparia, where good prospects can be found.

The construction of dredging plants has become quite an industry in Portland, where a number have been built within the past few years. Some of these have been sent to Southern Oregon; others to Alaska, while the only bucket dredges successfully worked on the bars of Snake River have been built in this city.

A glance at the picture of one of these dredges will cause one to think of a river steamboat, as the craft sets on the water much after the fashion of a passenger and freight carrier, but there is neither propeller nor stern wheel, and so the dredge can only be moved by outside aid. The crew of the dredge live on board of her, and so are close to their work at all times. In sand bars the craft makes a canal for herself, being moved forward as she digs out the gold-bearing gravel, which is thrown off to one side after the flour gold has been extracted.

SUMPTER DISTRICT'S BEST MINE.

Distinction Due the Columbia—Extensive Development Planned.

SUMPTER, Sept. 13.—Many mining men regard the Columbia mine, located between the North Pole and the Golconda properties, as the best claim in this district. Outside of local circles it is comparatively unknown. The property is owned by a close corporation of California men, and is under the management of Frank S. Ballee. Extensive development and improvement work is constantly under way. The 60-ton settling plant has been running a few days, and Manager Bailey is well pleased with the results. The treatment is a secret one, but varies little from the regular cyanide process.

The plant is a large one, and up to date in every respect. It is intended to work up a large pile of slimes (some 7000 tons). A building has been erected with that object in view, and every means of saving labor and reducing cost has received consideration. At the hoist, a three-compartment shaft, 6x10 feet in the clear, is being driven, and a vertical depth of 500 feet has been attained. Sinking never ceases, and an order has been placed for a station pump with a capacity of 500 gallons per minute, and a depth of 1000 feet. The machine will be the largest in the state, and weighs 34,000 pounds.

At the mill the excavation for the new machinery is completed, and the building will be ready in 30 days. The plant ordered consists of 20 stamps and 14 Johnson concentrators, which will give the Columbia the best equipment of any mine in this district. The present plant consists of 10 stamps and six concentrators, and 8000 tons of ore are handled in a year. There is plenty of ore in sight to keep the new plant busy for several years. While the ore is very rich, the values are in tellurides, and do not appeal to the uninformed like the yellow metal in native state.

TWO OREGON MINES BONDED.

Both Are Rich Properties in Southern Part of State.

GRANT'S PASS, Or., Sept. 13.—William T. Cope has bonded the Golconda mine on Williams Creek for $12,000. This mine has recently given promising results in development work, and samples of the rock have assayed $50 to the ton.

The Hammersley mining property, known as the Daisy mine, has been bonded to Henry Phillips, of the Preston Peak copper mines. A force of men has been sent to pump out the water, and active work will commence at once. This mine is acknowledged to be one of the best quartz properties in Southern Oregon, but litigation has interfered with its operation. The mine is located on Evans Creek, about 90 miles from Grant's Pass.

Oregon Mining Notes.

J. C. Newton has discovered a large body of asbestos eight miles east of Baker City.

George B. Ross and Booth Lee of Central Point are prospecting a quartz ledge in Jackson Creek district, which gives evidence of being a good one.

There continues to be much talk at Baker City in regard to the proposed railroad and smelter which Letson Ballret promises to build during the Winter and Spring. Everyone who has been over the country between Baker City and Ballard's Landing admits that there is traffic enough in sight to support a railroad and enough low-grade ore to run a smelter, providing the proposition is well handled. There have been many schemes for a railroad and a smelter in this district, but so far all have fallen through. The gathering of capitalists at Baker City in the past few days seems to indicate there is important development work at hand.

It is reported that Reed and Larabee have purchased a cinnabar deposit at the head of Applegate. They think they have a good mine, and will develop it at once.

It is reported from Malheur City that an important strike of rich ore has been made in the Red, White and Blue mine. In a crosscut tunnel a ledge of good width has been struck, which carries free gold. Persons who saw samples of the ore say that gold was plainly visible all over the surface of the rock.

Mining Stock Quotations.

Following are the transactions at the Oregon Mining Stock Exchange yesterday:

	Bid.	Asked.
Adams Mountain	$0 05	$0 05½
Buffalo	1⅝	2
Copperopolis	5	5⅝
Gold Hill & Bohemia	5	5⅞
Helena	32⅝	32½
Helena No. 2	7¼	7⅝
Isabella	.0073	1⅛
Lost Horse	3¼	3½
Musick	10⅝	10½
May Queen	2½	2⅝
Mountain View	.....	3⅛
Oregon-Colo. M. M. & D. Co.	5	5⅝
Oregon Ex. & Dev. Co.	.005	4
Riverside	2	10
Umpqua	3	3¼

SALES.

Adams Mountain	3,000 shares at 5
Gold Hill & Bohemia	4,000 at 5
Helena	3,000 at 32⅝
	3,000 at 32⅝
	410 at 32½
Helena No. 2	10,000 at 7¼
	3,000 at 7⅛
Musick	7,000 at 10⅛
	3,000 at 10⅛
May Queen	5,000 at 2⅝
Oregon-Colo. M. M. & D. Co.	5,000 at 5
Umpqua	3,000 at 3
Lost Horse	2,000 at 3½
	2,833 at 3½
Oregon Ex. & Dev. Co.	20,000 at .0003

SPOKANE, Sept. 13.—The closing bids for mining stocks today were:

Blacktail	$0 11½	Noble Five	$0 05½
Butte & Boston	1⅝	Princess Maud	1⅝
Crystal	8½	Rambler Cariboo	20
Deer Trail Con.	3⅝	Republic	81
Evening Star	6⅝	Reservation	6½
Gold Ledge	1	Rossland Giant	2½
Golden Harvest	¾	Sullivan	13⅞
I. X. L.	11½	Tom Thumb	17½
Iron Mask	40	Waterloo	1¾
Jim Blaine	5½	Winnipeg	7
Lone Pine Surp.	56½	Conjecture	2⅝
Mount Lion	48	Bedie	¾
Morn. Glory	4⅝	Miller Creek	2½
Morrison	¾	Mammoth	17½

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—Official closing quotations for mining stocks today were:

Alta	$0 02	Justice	$0 02
Alpha Con	3	Mexican	23
Andes	7	Occidental Con	7
Belcher	17	Ophir	45
Best & Belcher	23	Overman	9
Bullion	2	Potosi	18
Caledonia	42	Savage	17
Challenge Con	10	Seg. Belcher	2
Chollar	17	Sierra Nevada	31
Confidence	50	Silver Hill	30
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 15	Standard	3 90
Crown Point	11	Union Con	17
Gould & Curry	34	Utah Con	4
Hale & Norcross	20	Yellow Jacket	18

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:

Chollar	$0 18	Ontario	$5 75
Crown Point	12	Ophir	44
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 15	Plymouth	10
Deadwood	48	Quicksilver	1 50
Gould & Curry	35	do pref	6 75
Hale & Norcross	18	Sierra Nevada	30
Homestake	50 00	Standard	4 00
Iron Silver	60	Union Con	17
Mexican	24	Yellow Jacket	18

BOSTON, Sept. 13.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 4 50	Humboldt	$ 25 00
Allouez M. Co.	1 37	Osceola	67 50
Amal. Copper	88 50	Parrott	42 00
Atlantic	23 50	Quincy	145 00
Boston & Mont.	320 00	Santa Fe Copper	4 75
Butte & Boston	62 00	Tamarack	221 00
Cal. & Hecla	743 00	Utah Mining	30 75
Centennial	16 50	Winona	2 75
Franklin	14 50	Wolverine	42 00

INVITATION TO TALK POLITICS.

Weiser Republicans Desire That Governor Geer Follow Towne.

SALEM, Sept. 13.—A letter was received at the executive office today inviting Governor Geer to deliver an address at Weiser, Idaho. The Republican leaders who voiced the invitation stated that they were particularly anxious to have Governor Geer follow Towne with a campaign address at that place. They say that their county is strongly Democratic, and that on the occasion of the last Republican campaign speech at Weiser the opposition broke up the meeting, but that the Republicans are now strongly organized, and will give Governor Geer ample protection if he shall speak there.

The report of Fish Commissioner F. C. Reed for the month of July was received by Treasurer Moore today. It shows the following receipts from collections of licenses, fines, etc.:

District No. 1	$ 1 00
District No. 2	30 00
District No. 3	9 00
District No. 4	6 50
District No. 5	8 00
District No. 6	166 50

Of the amount collected in the Sixth District, $100 was a fine. All the other amounts were for licenses.

At a meeting of the State Land Board today 14 applications for loans were approved, aggregating $11,400. Three applications for loans to the amount of $1700 were rejected.

At a meeting of the Salem Elks tonight committees were appointed to make all preparations for the formal presentation of the mounted elk won by the Salem lodge at the Portland Street Fair and Carnival. The day when the presentation will take place was not fixed, but this will be done after a conference with the Portland lodge. The Salem Elks favor Portland Day, of the State Fair, September 20.

POLITICAL MEETING.

Hon. Binger Hermann Will Open Campaign at Corvallis.

CORVALLIS, Sept. 13.—The first discussion in this city of the political issues in the present campaign is to be at the courthouse next Saturday evening. The speaker is to be Hon. Binger Hermann.

New Northwest Postoffices.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—A postoffice has been established at Powwatka, Wallowa and Flora. Amanda F. Harris has been appointed Postmaster.

Two new postoffices have been established in Washington, one at Bray's Douglas County, to be supplied by special service from Orondo, and the other at Kaylor, Ferry County, on the route from Republic to Kettle Falls. Benjamin F. Bray has been appointed Postmaster at the oce at Brays, and Percy C. Kaylor, at Kaylor.

Washington Industries.

Grain dealers at Reardon have been much inconvenienced by a shortage of wheat cars.

Ten miles west of Valley, the United States Marble Company is pushing work with a force of 27 men. This is the largest camp of the kind in the county.

A mill with a capacity of 125,000 feet per day may be built this Fall at Wickersham by a Michigan company which owns a belt of timber near there. W. J. Sloan has been out from Saginaw looking over the field.

John G. Frankland and Bert E. LaDue, former proprietors of the Walla Walla Daily Union, have purchased the Weekly Watchman plant, at Walla Walla, and will change the name of the paper to the Saturday Record.

The new fruitdrier just completed and placed in operation by Paslay Bros., at Pateros, has been destroyed by fire. The drier was the best in this section of the country, and had only been in operation about two weeks. The loss was about $500.

The Pacific Brewery & Malting Company, which is now spending $600,000 on its plant at Tacoma, putting in the largest malting establishment on the Pacific Coast that will be capable of malting 1,000,000 bushels at once, contemplates establishing one of its breweries at Whatcom.

INDICATIONS OF MURDER

BODY OF FORMER SEATTLE MAN FOUND NEAR WENATCHEE.

The Crime Is Supposed to Have Been Committed Two Weeks Ago by Tramps.

SEATTLE, Sept. 13.—The police of this city were notified today of the finding of the body of T. I. Shanley, formerly of Seattle, lying alongside of the railroad tracks near Wenatchee. The remains were badly decomposed, death having occurred two weeks ago. The body plainly indicated that the man had been murdered.

Shanley left Seattle, August 13, to take a position as cook on a steamer at Wenatchee. He arrived in that town next day and became known to several people. Then he disappeared and no trace of him was found until yesterday, when the body was discovered a short distance from town. The face had been crushed in, and the front teeth driven back into the mouth. The murder is supposed to have been committed by tramps.

IS STILL A DEMOCRAT.

James Reid, Idaho Politician, Denies Report That He Has Left Party.

BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 13.—Local Democrats received a telegram today from James Reid, of Lewiston, denying the story recently appearing in a Lewiston special to the Salt Lake Tribune to the effect that he (Reid) had addressed a Republican club at Lewiston to the effect that he had left the Democratic party for good, and would henceforth be found with the Republicans. Mr. Reid is a candidate for elector on the Democratic ticket, and denounces the story as "false and malicious," and he adds that he will "prosecute the originator, if he can find who it was."

GRAND LODGE OF IDAHO MASONS.

Conclude Annual Session at Boise—Voted $50 to Galveston Masons.

BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 13.—The Grand Lodge of Masons completed its session today, and installed the new officers. George D. Golden, of Rocky Bar, is the new grand master; A. W. Talkington, of Mount Idaho, deputy grand master; D. C. Chase, of Payette, senior grand warden; W. B. Goodheart, of Weiser, junior grand warden; Charles Himrod, of Boise, grand treasurer; T. W. Randall, of Boise, grand secretary; F. T. Wyman, of Boise, grand lecturer. The lodge voted $50 to the Masons of Galveston.

Washington Notes.

The Sumner schools have opened for a nine months' term.

The sum of $8350 has been raised for the fair at New Whatcom.

Whitman College will hold its athletic meet in Spokane next Spring.

Convocation exercises were held at Whitman College Monday evening.

The Seattle payroll of August is $6283 in excess of the same month a year ago.

Work is progressing on the Leland-Quilcene road. Fifteen men are engaged.

Pierce County Republicans have formally ratified the county and state tickets.

A movement has been started to pave Hewitt avenue, Everett's principal thoroughfare.

The Commissioners of Spokane have forbidden firemen to smoke cigarettes when on duty.

The Butte football team