TAKEN FOR FORGERY

Henry Schroeder Accused of Passing Worthless Checks.

WELL KNOWN IN EASTERN OREGON

Arrested Before for Misappropriation of Government Money, but Cleared on Technicality.

BAKER CITY, Or., Sept 25.—Henry Schroeder, who is well known in this city and throughout Eastern Oregon, was arrested today on a charge of forgery. On Monday he presented two checks to George Miller, manager of the Savoy Theater, one for $25 and the other for $50, signed by Fred Nehaus, the contractor, and Miller paid over the money for both checks. When they were presented at the bank today they were pronounced forgeries, and Miller thereupon swore out a warrant for the arrest of Schroeder. When taken into custody he offered no resistance, and made no denial of having committed the crime. He had spent the money obtained on the checks for wine, and when searched at the police station was penniless. The District Attorney this evening filed an indictment holding holding Schroeder to appear before the next term of Circuit Court. The prisoner made no effort to secure bonds.

Schroeder was in trouble before in this city. He was formerly Lieutenant of Company A, separate battalion of the Oregon National Guard, of this city, and was arrested at the instance of Adjutant-General Gantenbein, of Portland, for the appropriation of Government funds. He was tried before the Circuit Court, and was cleared on a technicality, since which time he has devoted his time to mining.

Accident to Two Children.

The 5-year-old son of William Wales met with a serious accident this morning while playing in the yard at his home in South Baker City with another child of about the same age. The two were cutting sticks with a heavy hatchet, and by accident young Wales was struck on the finger. The blow almost severed the bone, but it is not believed that amputation will be necessary.

The 2-year-old child of Charles Marcus was almost strangled to death today while playing in her father's yard. She had been using a swing, and in getting out was caught by the neck, in which position she was found a few moments afterwards, almost lifeless. A passer-by, who witnessed the accident, instead of coming to the child's relief, ran away to give the alarm. In the meantime the child had been taken down by its mother, and a doctor summoned. Slight hopes are entertained for its recovery.

Oregon Mineral Exhibit for Spokane.

At a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce last night it was decided to raise $1000 to send a mineral exhibit to Spokane on October 5. Two hundred dollars were subscribed by those present at the meeting, and a committee was appointed to solicit the remainder of the money. It is proposed to exhibit specimens from all the principal mines in Eastern Oregon, as well as a collection that is already on hand. The O. R. & N. Co. has offered free transportation to and from Spokane.

New Baker City Corporation.

Articles of incorporation of the Artificial Ice & Storage Company were filed with the County Clerk today, with a capital stock of $15,000. The incorporators are J. T. Donnelly, Bella Kadish and William Pollman, all of this city. The company proposes to engage in the manufacture of ice, which will be the first business of that kind in the city.

OREGON MIDLAND RAILROAD.

President Billings Confirms Report of Early Construction.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Sept. 23.—George T. Baldwin, president of the Oregon Midland Railroad, has returned from an extended tour of Oregon and California. He states freely that his mission was to arrange for the inauguration of construction work on this new Oregon-California railway. He confirms The Oregonian's recent report of a deal with Coggins Bros.' sawmill, at Igerna, Cal., to furnish 75,000 ties, or a sufficient number to construct the road from its initial point, at Klamathon, Cal., to the edge of the timber belt, in Oregon. This point gained, it is the purpose of the company to procure ties by contract from local owners of wooded tracts, and, as far as possible, to employ the residents of this section in getting out the timber required to complete the road to its terminal point at Klamath Falls. It is well known, however, that local labor is largely employed at good wages, and foreign tie contractors have arrived within the past few days to make a "quiet" cruise of the timber along the survey of the proposed road. Camps have been located at several points by small parties, and temporary quarters established, with a view to an extensive examination of the forests and the lay of the country. One of these camps is near the dam on Klamath River, 10 miles west of Keno, in Klamath County, and settlers have been engaged to show the contractors about the country.

In going from Klamath Falls to Ashland, the timber belt commences at Keno, 12 miles from this place, and then for 27 miles there is a heavy growth of stately pines suitable for the manufacture of lumber of any kind. Sugar pines, five to eight feet in diameter, straight as an arrow and of great height, are upon every hand. While thousands of acres of this timber tract have been secured by Eastern capitalists and will be held for speculation, yet some of the best lands along the line are owned by local settlers, and will be sold at reasonable prices.

With the construction of this road, Klamath Falls will become the gateway to a large scope of Southern and Middle Oregon, whose present channel of trade lies in a southerly direction, and out of the state. This road, or branch lines that are sure to follow, will cover Lake, Crook, Harney and Malheur Counties, and assist in the development of their wonderful resources, at the same time directing trade to Portland and other Oregon towns, which they are well entitled, but on account of inadequate transportation facilities do not receive.

Railroad Representatives Meet.

ASHLAND, Or., Sept. 25.—George N. Lyman and W. W. Thompson, representing the Midland Construction Company, of Chicago, the financial promoters of the Oregon Midland Railway, and John Hale, the railway contractor, are here today. George T. Baldwin, president, and Rufus Moore, secretary, of Klamath Falls, and David Horn, treasurer, from Hornbrook, have also arrived, and, together with the other local directors of the railway company are holding a consultation meeting regarding the building of the proposed road, a contract for 68 miles of which has already been let to Hale & Smith, of Portland.

STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Opening Enrollment Is the Heaviest in History of the School.

CORVALLIS, Or., Sept. 25.—Registration at the Agricultural College began yesterday morning. Instead of a decreased attendance, on account of shortened crops in the Willamette Valley and the abolition of intercollegiate athletics, as was predicted, the first day's registration shows the heaviest enrollment in the history of the institution. Up to last night, the total registration was 221; on the same day last year it was 202; up to noon today it was 263; at the close of the third day of registration last year it was 248; on the third day two years ago it was 216. On account of the rush at the registrar's office this evening, the figures could not be obtained, but it is guessed that the number is but little short of 300, or nearly 100 more than that on the same day last year.

WILLAMETTE WHEAT CROP.

Amount Stored at Corvallis Is 75 Per Cent Less Than Last Year.

CORVALLIS, Or., Sept. 25.—Some idea of the shortened character of the late grain crop in the Willamette Valley may be gained from the following figures: Last year the total amount of wheat stored in the Corvallis flouring mills, the Benton flouring mills and their auxiliary warehouses, together with the warehouses in Corvallis, was 810,000 bushels. In the same mills and warehouses this year the aggregate will not pass, and it may not even reach, 75,000 bushels. Not all of the wheat has been delivered, but the millers say that the receipt of all of it will not change the figures. Of course, the figures do not represent the true ratio of the wheat raised, since farmers have probably retained as much at home for seed and feed as in former years. The surplus, however, is not more than one-fourth of what it was last year. The crop in Benton was no worse, and in many instances was better than in other parts of the Valley.

Hops Sold for 15 1-2 Cents Per Pound

FOREST GROVE, Sept. 25.—The highest price paid for hops this year in this section was paid yesterday by Henry Weinhard to Charles Johnson, of Gaston, who sold 16,500 pounds at 15½ cents.

FOREST GROVE COUNCIL CENSURED

Issued Duplicate Warrants—Original Orders Held by Another Man.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Sept. 25.—The City Council is being censured some for drawing three duplicate warrants in favor of A. T. Knox, issued over two years ago, and amounting to $203, without requiring of Mr. Knox a bond to protect the city against loss. Mr. Knox was known to be possessed of the warrants at one time, and supposed that he had lost them. He advertised in the hope of locating the orders, without success, the Council then ordered duplicates drawn. Yesterday, to the surprise of the Council, Robert Billinger, of Centerville, presented the original orders to Treasurer W. S. Hudson, stating he had had them over a year, and that he purchased them from Mr. Knox. Mr. Knox has left there, but the Council is sure that he will at once pay back to the city their value.

A football team has been organized by students of Pacific University. They played their first game yesterday.

INDEPENDENCE INDUSTRIES.

Creamery Business Is Growing Rapidly—Fruit Drier Has Closed.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Sept. 25.—Business at the creamery is picking up every day, new faces appearing with milk and cream to be made into the choicest of butter. The price paid by Mr. Eldridge this month for butter is 25 cents laid down at the creamery, or 23 cents when the creamery wagon has to go after the milk. As the wholesale price for butter is 55 cents per roll, this leaves the creamery a margin of 5 cents for handling and making the product into butter.

The fruit drier has closed down for the season.

FUSION PROSPECTS ABOUT GONE.

Idaho Populists and Democrats Still Unable to Agree on Ticket.

BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 25.—So far as can be learned, the prospect or a fusion being effected between the Populists and Democrats on the state ticket has about vanished. While it is not given out that the effort has met with failure, such seems to be the result. It is understood that efforts are still being made to get the parties together, but no progress has been made, and they are so far apart that it is the opinion of many of those interested that nothing will be done.

GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER.

Slayer of Collins Sentenced to Five Years in Penitentiary.

CONDON, Sept. 25.—Lafayette L. Cook was today sentenced to five years' imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for the killing of James Collins, at the Junction House, near Arlington, on June 8. The jury was out several hours. A verdict of manslaughter was returned early this morning and the prisoner commended to the mercy of the court.

OREGON POSTOFFICES ADVANCED.

Lakeview and Cottage Grove Raised to the Third Class.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The following fourth-class Oregon postoffices have been raised to third class, and the salaries of the Postmasters fixed as indicated: Cottage Grove, $1200; Lakeview, $1000.

The salary of the Postmaster at Sedro-Woolley, Wash., has been raised to $1100.

Appointed to Government Positions.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—John H. Beyers, of San Francisco, was today appointed electrician at the Warm Springs Indian agency, at a salary of $720 per annum.

John L. Alderby, of College Place, Wash., was also appointed teacher at the Cheyenne River Indian School, in South Dakota, at a salary of $60 per month.

Short Term of Circuit Court.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., Sept. 25.—Judge George H. Burnett opened Circuit Court in Department No. 1 Monday morning with the smallest docket for years—16 cases—and completed the term this morning.

Queen of McMinnville Carnival.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., Sept. 25.—Miss Grace Newell has been elected Queen of the Carnival to be held here September 28-29. The big tent has arrived, and is being placed in position.

On Track of Athol Train Robber.

WALLACE, Idaho, Sept. 25.—Officers left Kingston today with bloodhounds on the track of the Athol train robber.

Oregon Notes.

Albany College will have a football team.

Work has begun on the new Southern Pacific coal bunkers at Ashland.

Desks and blackboards have been ordered for the new Lewiston schoolhouse.

The Silverton School Board has added the 9th and 10th grades to its curriculum.

Contract has been let for a telephone line between Stevenson and Cascade Locks.

The dedication services of the new Methodist Episcopal Church at Canyon City will take place September 30.

The County Court of Crook County offers $300 reward for information that will reveal the whereabouts of Elias Davis, dead or alive.

Leonard Larone was shot in the neck during the cowboy demonstration at Pendleton last week. The revolver was wadded with sperm candle, which made a painful wound.

The Ashland Republican Club, at its meeting at the City Hall, Saturday evening, elected officers as follows for the ensuing term: President, C. B. Watson; vice-president, T. E. Hills; secretary George Engle; members of executive committee, J. P. Dodge and I. E. Vining.

Monday morning, when the janitor of the Statehouse, at Salem, opened the doors of the west portico, he found three dozen dead English sparrows on the stairway. They had dashed themselves to death against the walls and ceilings illuminated by the brilliant electric light, and were probably driven from their roost in the dome by the owls that haunt the Capitol.

NEGRO LAW OF OREGON

KANSAS BRYANITES QUOTING IT FOR CAMPAIGN PURPOSES.

Designated as Worse Than Disfranchisement or Tillmanism—Governor Geer on the Subject.

SALEM, Sept. 25.—"Oregon Black Law" is the heading of a campaign paragraph given a prominent place every week in The Colored Citizen, a paper published by a negro at Topeka, Kan., in the interests of Bryan. This paragraph, quoting Oregon's constitutional provision regarding negroes, claims that it is "worse than disfranchisement or Tillmanism." The Republicans of Kansas seem to be considerably disturbed because of the use Bryan's followers are making of this section of the Oregon constitution to help Bryan in the Middle States. Governor Geer has received a number of letters making inquiry regarding the Oregon law, and in answering the last one, received today, he explains that the law is obsolete, and then continues:

"I wish to say that the mental depravity of the negro who will, for any reason, justify the treatment of his race in the Southern States by what this editor calls 'Tillmanism' is past comprehension or characterization. 'Tillmanism' stops nowhere short of the admission made by Senator Tillman himself in the Senate this year when he declared that, 'We stuffed the ballot boxes, we shot them and we are not ashamed of it.' Your Colored Citizen says that this obsolete section of our constitution is 'worse than disfranchisement or Tillmanism.' But the difference is that that section of our constitution was never enforced, while 'Tillmanism' is, and whatever else is not known by the average voter of this country, he does know that this section was repealed and rendered null and void by the adoption of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth amendments to the Federal Constitution. The principle of the 'consent of the governed,' in its larger and truer sense, is in operation everywhere in this country save in that portion where Mr. Bryan will receive nearly all of his electoral votes.

"I desire to say, further, in regard to this Kansas matter, that since discovering that you have a negro in your state who is so unappreciative of the great privileges conferred upon himself by the Republican party as to endorse and apologize for the treatment of his race in the Southern States, I believe it should have this obsolete section of our constitution engrafted into its own organic law and rigidly enforced. I should be in favor of enforcing it here if we had such negroes."

Plans of the Salem Y. M. C. A.

General Secretary John Fechter, of the local Young Men's Christian Association, announces that the formal opening of that institution for the Fall and Winter term will take place Monday evening, October 1, at 8 P. M. Short addresses will be made by prominent business men, and the work for the season will be outlined. The evening educational work will begin October 2, and the classes will meet three evening of each week until April 1. Commencing October 8, six gymnasium classes will be conducted, each class meeting once a week. Young men's classes will meet Monday and Wednesday evenings; business men's classes, Tuesday and Friday afternoon at 5:15 o'clock; boy's classes, Wednesday afternoons and Saturday mornings. The Sunday afternoon religious meetings will begin October 7, and a Bible study class will be conducted every Sunday morning. The present membership is 165, and the managers will endeavor to increase this to 250 this Winter.

Attended Teachers' Institute.

Superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman returned today from Eastern Oregon, where he attended teachers' institutes in Wallowa, Malheur and Grant Counties. He reports very successful meetings, and a good attendance in each county, in spite of the fact that many teachers had to travel 50 miles. While going from Sumpter to Prairie City last Saturday Superintendent Ackerman had the novel experience of passing through a snowstorm.

Will Can Tomatoes.

The Allen Packing Company today began receiving tomatoes, and will begin canning Thursday morning. The company pays 41 cents per 100 pounds for good tomatoes. Manager O. Y. Allen said today that his company will run on tomatoes until the supply is exhausted or the frost spoils the vegetables.

Marion County Taxes.

With but five more days in which to pay taxes before they become delinquent, only a little over half the taxes of Marion County for 1899 have been paid. The total amount due is $178,294 58. It is said at the Sheriff's office that considerably less than half the average taxpayers have made payments, the larger property-owners paying first. Money is now coming in rapidly.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY POLITICS.

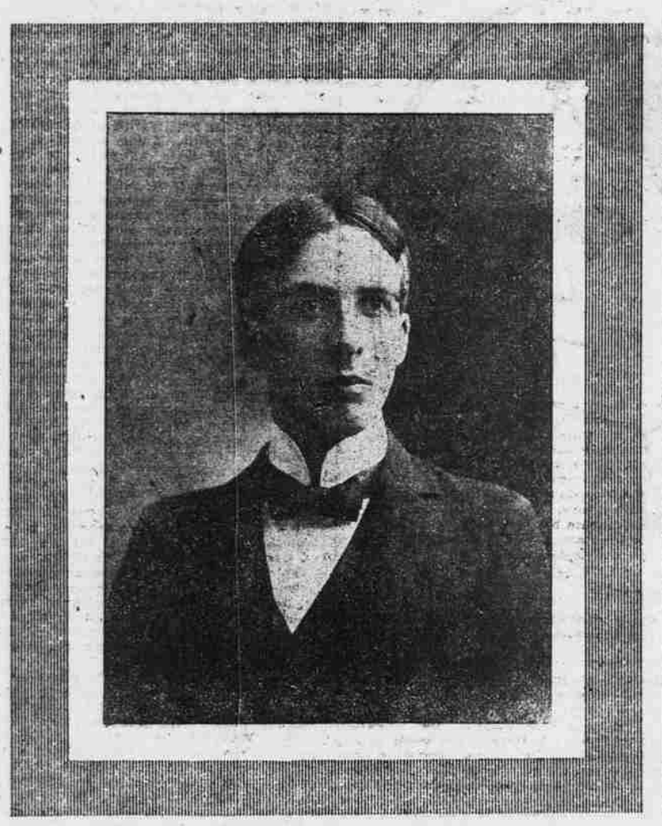
Republicans Count on Safe Majority—Bryanites Little Interested.

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 25.—As yet there is but little discussion of political matters, the Republicans assuming that they have a safe majority in Clackamas County, while the Bryanites are making not very enthusiastic attempts at club organization. J. N. Campbell, chairman of the Republican County Central Committee, states that no effort will be made toward club organization. However, it is expected that Colonel W. B. Sherman, of Chicago, will open the campaign with a speech here in about two weeks. For the past three or four weeks the local Bryan leaders have made repeated ineffectual attempts to form a permanent club organization. Papers containing signatures for proposed membership have been circulated, but several former gold-standard Democrats who affiliated with the fusion movement during the Spring campaign have refused to affix their names to the membership roll. A meeting has been called at the Grange Hall, at Logan, Saturday night for the purpose of forming a Bryan club.

Company A, Third Regiment, Oregon National Guard, was to have held a business meeting last night, but adjourned until next Monday night, when regular drills will be resumed. It has been authoritatively stated that Captain Fred Metzner will file his resignation, and it is presumed that First Lieutenant Leighton Kelly will be promoted when the captaincy becomes vacant. Second Lieutenant Fred Humphreys left last night for Floriston, Cal., thus making another vacancy to be filled by election.

Four children of Fred Schwartz—Minnie, aged 13; Chris, 11; George, 6, and Walter, 3—were committed to the custody of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society at Portland by County Judge Ryan today. The father gave his written consent to the commitment, and paid the fare of the children to Portland. The mother deserted her husband and children April 12, 1898, and, according to the sworn complaint of Officer H. H. Hawley, of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society, the father treated the children with gross cruelty.

PROFESSOR H. D. SHELDON.



NEWLY ELECTED INSTRUCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY AND EDUCATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF OREGON.

EUGENE, Sept. 25.—Professor H. D. Sheldon, the newly elected instructor in philosophy and education at the University of Oregon, is a native of California. He entered Stanford University in 1892, and was prominent in student-body affairs during his entire course. For two successive years he was chosen leader of the Stanford debating team, and in his senior year held the important position of president of the Associated Students. Mr. Sheldon was graduated from Stanford in 1896, receiving the degree of bachelor of arts. For a year after graduation he remained at Palo Alto as an assistant in the department of education. In 1897 he received a fellowship from Clark University, and was elected assistant instructor in the department of pedagogy, receiving his Ph. D. degree in May of this year.

NORTHWEST DEAD.

Mrs. Judith Ison, Pioneer.

BAKER CITY, Sept. 25.—The funeral of Mrs. Judith Ison, who died at Wingville yesterday, at the age of 86, will be held from the Methodist Church at that place tomorrow. Mrs. Ison was an old pioneer of Baker County, and was the widow of the late Judge Ison.

Mrs. A. Krauses, of Whiteaker.

SALEM, Sept. 25.—It is reported in Salem that Mrs. A. Krauses, of Whiteaker, died last Saturday night, aged 99 years and 8 months. The lady is not known here, and has probably not been a resident of this county many years.

R. L. McMillan, Pioneer of 1857.

R. L. McMillan, an Oregon pioneer of 1857, and a prominent Indian War Veteran, died Saturday, at his home near McMinnville. He was aged 70 years and 3 months.

Jones Murder Case Examination.

ARLINGTON, Or., Sept. 25.—The examination of F. M. Farrier, charged with the murder of William Jones, colored, is set for tomorrow morning.

Idaho Notes.

Latah Republicans will begin the campaign about October 1.

Memorial service was held at the Moscow Methodist Church, Sunday, in memory of the two Peterson children, who died last month.

The Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho Baptist convention will meet at Moscow, October 26, and will remain in session until the 28th.

Ventilation in the Standard mine, at Wallace, has been greatly improved by means of a large fan. Danger to workmen from excessive heat has thus been obviated.

The Potlatch prune crop is so large that a large proportion of it will probably be lost, owing to lack of drying facilities. Large Eastern orders are being filled at 4½ cents.

The Elgin group, on Proctor Creek, Kootenai Lake, and the Alice, near Creston, in the same district, are under working bonds to a Manchester, England, syndicate. Both are silver-lead properties of considerable promise. Work is to be continued all Winter.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Hutton have filed answer at Wallace to the suit of Sheriff Sutherland, for $25,000 damages. The plaintiff alleges that Mrs. Hutton published a book in which it was asserted that he was leader of a mob which hung a man in Southern Idaho years ago. The defendants deny every allegation of the plaintiff, and further deny that Mrs. Hutton was the author of the book in question.

SMALLPOX STAMPED OUT

ASSISTANT SURGEON AT MARINE HOSPITAL AT NOME SO REPORTS.

Total of Twenty-four Cases and One Death During Epidemic—Health Conditions in General.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The Surgeon-General of the Marine Hospital Service has received a report from Assistant Surgeon B. H. Earle at Port Nome, Alaska, announcing that the epidemic of smallpox there has been stamped out, the last patient having been discharged from the detention hospital on August 26. There was a total of 24 cases and one death during the epidemic.

Occasional cases of smallpox are found among the neighboring Indian villages, and Dr. Earle reports having vaccinated a whole village, where the source of infection among the Indians could not be satisfactorily determined.

The vaccine proved defective, but the doctor reported that he had secured a fresh supply of 500 points and intended to vaccinate the entire population again.

Great destitution and much sickness is reported among the natives all along the coast in the vicinity of Port Nome.

NO GREAT LOSS OF LIFE.

Such Is Latest Report From Nome Storm—Many Vessels Lost.

SEATTLE, Sept. 25.—The loss of life in the great storm at Nome on September 11, 12 and 13 is believed to have been small. The tug Islam, the largest of C. D. Lane's fleet, sank with her crew of three. The launch America, while trying to aid the big barge Skookum, went down with Captain Madison, her commander, and the engineer. Three or four men, working along the water front in an effort to save something from the wreckage, are said to have been swept out to sea, but their names are not known.

From Benny River came a report of the wreck of the schooner Prosper and the drowning of Captain Geiser, together with one of his seamen. Andrew A. Ryan, of Los Angeles, lost his life in the rushing current of Snake River.

The first shock of the storm brought ashore the Alaska Commercial Company's barge Yorke, heavily laden with Winter provisions. An hour later the barge Skookum, after battling the seas, dragged her anchors and started toward the beach and destruction. The North American Transportation Company lost the tug Bob, valued at $2000, which was broken to pieces.

The steam launch Strae sank at anchor, and the Belvidere is a wreck at the mouth of Snake River. The little schooner Zenith, which attempted to put to sea, was blown about two miles up the beach. The Roanoke, having her passengers aboard, sailed in the evening of the 13th, the storm having abated somewhat, but after getting away the storm increased. The Roanoke was completely at the mercy of the gale. On the third day out the storm subsided, and the vessel succeeded in reaching port.

The steamer Robert Dollar, which sailed from Puget Sound four weeks ago, had not arrived at Nome when the Roanoke sailed, and grave fears are entertained for her safety. The steamer Charles Nelson sailed from Nome three days ahead of the Roanoke, and had not arrived. She had a large number of passengers.

Alaska Mail Contract Awarded.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The Postoffice Department has awarded a contract to J. F. Chilberg, of Seattle, to carry the mails by steamboat from Juneau to Unalaska, about 2300 miles, and back, once a month from November 1 next to March 31, 1901. The route is via Sitka, Yakutat, Nutchek, Orca, Valdez, Kodiak, Unka, Udaka and other points, and the trip is not to exceed 15 days' running time each way, omitting Sitka on return trips.

OFFICERS AND OUTLAWS BATTLE.

One of the Latter Killed and the Other Surrendered.

ADDY, Wash., Sept. 25.—One desperado was fatally shot and another received a bullet through the hand here today. The wounded man is said to be Sprague Wells, but the name of the dead man is unknown. The men were under arrest on telegraphed orders from the Sheriff at Colville for holding up some prospectors. They made a break for liberty, but, being unacquainted with the country, ran for a bend in the Colville River and were caught in a trap.

The pursuing crowd repeatedly called on them to surrender. A shot was fired to frighten them, and the fugitives returned the fire. After firing several shots, they started to swim the river. The firing was continued by the deputies, and one of the desperadoes fell dead with a bullet through his side on reaching the opposite bank. The other surrendered. The dead man and prisoner were taken to Colville. Nothing was found on the body by which it could be identified. Both men were well dressed, but bore a look of hardened criminals. The crime for which they were wanted was committed at Marcus, Sunday night. They entered a car in which a number of prospectors were riding, forced them to stand against the side in a line, and robbed them of about $80 and a watch.

ILWACO RAILROAD IMPROVED.

Roadbed Repaired—Logs May Be Hauled From Shoalwater Bay.

ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 25.—Since the O. R. & N. has taken control of the Ilwaco Railway & Navigation Company's property, work has been in progress placing the roadbed in good condition. It is understood that the company is preparing to haul logs from Shoalwater Bay to the Columbia.

Chief Engineer Lord, of the Columbine, will be the representative of the Government in supervising the construction of the lighthouse tender Heather, for which a contract was recently let. During Mr. Lord's absence, Assistant Engineer Weldon will be chief on the Columbine.

The American bark, Harry Morse, which is now discharging a cargo of Alaska salmon here, has been chartered to lead lumber at Knappton for San Francisco.

University of Idaho Teachers.

MOSCOW, Idaho, Sept. 25.—James McLean, A. M., professor of history and political science in the University of Colorado, was today selected as president of the University of Idaho, vice Joseph H. Blanton. Professor A. S. Miller was reinstated to the chair of mining, and F. A. Hintley to the chair of horticulture.

President McLean received the degree of A. M. and Ph. D. at Columbia University in New York, and for six years has held the chair of political science in Colorado University. The Idaho regents applied to the presidents of several of the great institutions for nominations for the presidency, and McLean was the nomination made by Columbia for the position.

Sawmill Will Resume Work.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Sept. 25.—The sawmill of Ingle Bros., near this city, which was shut down a short time ago for want of orders, will start up in a few days with a large order ahead.

Washington Notes.

A whale over 70 feet long was seen in Gray's Harbor last week.

Fire destroyed $20,000 worth of property at Port Townsend Monday night.

The Seattle Ministerial Association is taking a religious census of the city.

Mike Carrol lost his right eye at Arlington Sunday in a game of baseball.

Everett Hospital has been closed for two weeks on account of a case of contagious disease.

Bud Jones' saloon at Clear Lake was held up Sunday night. The occupants and till were robbed of over $300.

The Seattle baseball club has won the Puget Sound championship, and is now getting ready for a game with Pocatello.

It has been proposed to the Washington State Bar Association that it celebrate John Marshall's birthday, February 4.

The exposition hall at the Walla Walla fair is ready, and all floor space is contracted for. Exhibitors are now busy on the booths.

The steamer Crest, which has been operating between Tacoma and Gig Harbor, was destroyed by fire Monday morning at the latter place.

Mail-carrier service at Spokane will be improved October 3 by the addition of three men. Districts will be altered to conform with the change.

It is proposed at Seattle, as a means to free Methodist churches from debt, that they organize a society, in the nature of a joint stock company, to raise money for the purpose.

The O. R. & N., Northern Pacific and Great Northern are said to have more business in Eastern Washington than they can handle. All are short of men, motive power and rolling stock.

An attempt was made at Walla Walla Friday to rob the safe of the Chamberlain Lumber Company. A charge of powder was used, but only the outside door was injured by the explosion.

Arlington is infested with crooks, petty thieves and sandbaggers. The officers are busy night and day. Eight new street lamps put up will make it somewhat safer for pedestrians who are obliged to be out at night.

The new school books are not proving satisfactory at Hillyard. The exchange of text-books has been expensive, for only a few of the old books were taken. Besides the cost of the new books, the district has a bill of $250 for old ones.

A man has been arrested at Starbuck charged with wholesale thefts of grain from farmers near Sunshine, between Pullman and Moscow. He is now in the county jail at Colfax. Depredations have been going on for some time, and the authorities think they have conclusive evidence against the prisoner.

The churches are to pool their debts and the society is to issue stock in $10 shares for the full amount of the aggregate debt. Stock subscriptions are to be solicited from the combined memberships of the churches, and the proceeds are to be divided among the several churches in proportion to their several needs.

Heavy rains caused something over 50 feet of the ground on the north end of the wingdam at Arlington to give way, which caused the river to rush around the end and endanger the approach to the wagon bridge. The wingdam withstood the freshet, and did all that was claimed for it. The County Commissioners will cause additional protection to be built at once.

During a drunken brawl among a returning band of Cowlitz Indians at Snoqualmie Sunday night a siwash known as Indian Joe was slashed by another Indian known as Aleck and severely, though not fatally, cut. The assailant was also cut in the right arm during the melee and another Indian known as Billy, who attempted to part the fighting men, was slashed across the right hand.

Smallpox has appeared on the hop ranch of William Cochrane, near Orillia. An aged Indian woman has died there of the disease. She was one of a band of some 150 Indians who came direct from British Columbia to pick hops on Cochrane's ranch, and it is extremely probable that the disease was contracted before leaving her home across the line. One other Indian has shown symptoms of the infection, and is now in close confinement.

Trouble is on between the union plumbers and the Seattle plumbing companies who do not belong to the Master Plumbers' Association of that city. As a result of this trouble the union plumbers have "walked out" from the shops of all such plumbing companies. The walk-out of union men in this instance is not owing to any difference with their employers as regards wages or hours of labor, but wholly because of an agreement existing between the Master Plumbers' Association and the union plumbers which prevents the latter from working for any plumbing firm or individual not a member of such association.

Mining Business.

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

	Bid.	Asked.
Adams Mountain	5	5¼
Buffalo	...	2
Copperopolis	5	5½
Gold Hill & Bohemia	5	5¾
Goldstone Consolidated	...	2⅞
Helena No. 2	...	7⅝
Isabella	...	1
Lost Horse	3¼	3⅝
Musick	10¼	10½
May Queen	2⅝	2¾
Oregon-Colorado	5	5⅝
Oregon Ex. & Dev. Co.	...	5½
Riverside	3¾	7
Umpqua	3	5½

SALES.

Adams Mountain	2,000 shares at	5
Copperopolis	1,000 at	5
	2,000 at	5
	5,000 at	5
	10,000 at	5
	6,000 at	5
	500 at	5
Oregon-Colorado	1,000 at	5
	1,000 at	5
	2,000 at	5

Mining Stock Quotations.

The following transactions were made yesterday at the Portland Mining Stock Exchange:

Helena	9,000 shares sold at	32¼
	3,000 at	32⅝
	3,000 at	33
Musick	2,000 at	10½
	2,000 at	10⅝
	8,000 at	10¾
	6,000 at	10⅞
	1,000 at	11⅛
Helena No. 2	14,500 at	7½
Lost Horse	7,000 at	3¼
	313 at	3⅜
May Queen	6,000 at	2½
Portland G. M. & M.	17,500 at	3¼
Sweden	5,000 at	1½

QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.
Helena	33	33¼
Musick	10¼	11
Helena No. 2	7½	7⅞
Lost Horse	3¼	3½
Portland G. M. & M.	2½	2¾
Oregon Ex. & Dev. Co.	...	5½
Sweden	1	1⅛
Richardson	...	10
Morning Glory	5	10
Isabella	.004	9.50
London Ltd.	...	50

LOCAL STOCKS.

	Bid.	Asked.
First National Bank	240	.....
U. S. National Bank	110	.....
Merchants National Bank	110	.....
Ladd & Tilton	105	.....
Ainsworth National Bank	100	.....
East Side Bank	100	.....
Portland 6s	103½	.....
Funding 5s	101	.....
Albina 6s	103½	.....
Bridge bonds	103	.....
City Hall 5s	101	.....
Water bonds	103½	.....
Ferry bonds	103½	.....
Improvements	103½	.....
East Portland 6s	103	.....
Gambrinus Brewing Co.	102	.....
General Electric	100	.....
Northwest Light	100	.....
Reserve script	3¾	4½
Suburban	100	.....

SPOKANE, Sept. 25.—The closing bids for mining stocks today were:

Blacktail	$0 12½	Lone Pine Sur.	$0 08½
Butte & Boston	2	Mount. Lion	50
Crystal	3½	Morn. Glory	0⅞
Deer Trail Con.	3⅝	Princess Maud	1⅛
Evening Star	6½	Rambler Cariboo	25
Gold Ledge	1	Reservation	6
Golden Harvest	⅝	Rossland Giant	2½
I. X. L.	12	Sullivan	14½
Iron Mask	30	Tom Thumb	19½
Jim Blaine	5	Copper Queen	84½

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 25.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	$0 02	Justice	$0 06
Alpha Con	3	Kentuck Con	3
Andes	7	Mexican	31
Belcher	18	Occidental Con	8
Best & Belcher	31	Ophir	54
Bullion	2	Overman	10
Caledonia	42	Potosi	19
Challenge Con	19	Savage	16
Chollar	19	Seg. Belcher	2
Confidence	73	Sierra Nevada	31
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 10	Silver Hill	37
Crown Point	11	Standard	4 10
Exchequer	1	Union Con	19
Gould & Curry	32	Utah Con	4
Hale & Norcross	22	Yellow Jacket	21

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:

Chollar	$0 15	Ontario	$5 00
Crown Point	8	Ophir	66
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 05	Plymouth	8
Deadwood	45	Quicksilver	1 50
Gould & Curry	28	do pref	6 50
Hale & Norcross	18	Sierra Nevada	28
Homestake	50 00	Standard	4 00
Iron Silver	65	Union Con	18
Mexican	28	Yellow Jacket	13

BOSTON, Sept. 25.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 3 50	Humboldt	$ 25 00
Allouez M. Co.	1 50	Osceola	63 00
Amal. Copper	86 00	Parrott	49 00
Atlantic	22 50	Quincy	142 00
Boston & Mont.	300 00	Santa Fe Cop.	4 00
Butte & Boston	50 00	Tamarack	220 00
Cal. & Hecla	740 00	Utah Mining	28 00
Centennial	17 50	Winona	2 50
Franklin	13 00	Wolverines	39 00

German and French Attaches.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—A dispatch to the Herald from Berlin says:

It is learned that negotiations are proceeding between France and Germany regarding the question of reappointment of military attaches. The negotiations are not yet concluded.

Dec. 13, 1899, Emperor William withdrew Maj. Baron von Suskind, the German military attache in Paris, on account of attacks that had been made on the Baron. It was not denied that the Dreyfus affair was the immediate cause of the withdrawal. The Emperor considered that German officers should not be expected to furnish information to the government not consistent with a nice sense of honor. The duties of military attache have since been modified to the Emperor's view. France recalled Lieutenant Comte de Facalde, military attache in Berlin, December 21, 1899.

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