

HOPS BY THE TRAINLOAD

HOW OREGON SENDS ITS GREAT PRODUCT TO MARKET.

Forty Cars Will Carry 3000 Bales in One Shipment to London and the East.

An entire trainload of hops. Forty cars in the train. Thirty-six hundred bales in the shipment.

This record-breaking quantity of hops, Oregon product, will leave Portland Friday for the Eastern States and Europe. It will be the largest shipment of hops ever made from the Northwest. Each car will be loaded with 75 bales, and the long train will be a running advertisement for this state, from the Pacific to the Atlantic. Oregon produces more hops than any state on the Pacific Coast, and must be respected.

The shipment will also be the largest ever made from the Northwest to Europe. Two thousand eight hundred bales will go to London, and the balance to the Eastern States. The record single shipment from Oregon is 21 carloads, dispatched several weeks ago.

The train is about half made up. The Southern Pacific has brought forward almost all the hops that will come from its territory, and river boats are bringing in their share. The product for London is consigned by the Oregon Hops Association. Mr. H. Durst, who advanced 5 cents a pound on the hops, will have the consignment in charge. Francis Feller, treasurer of the association, will accompany Mr. Durst. It is Mr. Durst's intention to get as high a price as possible at London and to return to growers within 45 days all of the proceeds of the sale of the hops in excess of 12 cents per pound, less 5 per cent interest on the money advanced.

Shipment will be made over the O. R. & N. Oregon Short Line and Union Pacific to Omaha, and thence to Chicago by way of the Rock Island route. From Chicago the hops for London will be forwarded to Newport News, Va.

Of the 62,000 bales grown in Oregon this season, about 45,000 have been shipped away. Approximately 8000 bales remain in the hands of growers. Between 10,000 and 15,000 bales are controlled by speculators and dealers. In Washington perhaps 8000 bales, of a crop of 25,000 are unsold, the remaining quantity being about equally divided between the Yakima district and the western part of the state. About one-third of the California output, or 15,000 bales, is yet to be disposed of. The figures show that the Pacific Coast still has an available supply of over 20,000 bales. It is thought that by January the Oregon crop will be cleaned up.

A somewhat more active demand has characterized the market in the past two weeks. The last two days, however, have been less brisk. Prices for best stock, as quoted at Portland, range between 9 and 10 cents. Some sales have been reported somewhat higher than the latter figure, but they have not been frequent enough to raise nominal quotations above that price. A tendency to improved prices has been noticed. This has not, however, caused nominal values to break over 10 cents. Demand at London for high-grade hops has picked up. It is thought that shorts who have had to enter the market have also contributed to the buoyancy. Values are still depressed, however, by the large supply of inferior hops produced in England this season. In the East the market for choicest grade for export is reported firm, and irregular for lower grades. For the latter dealers are reported to be between 10 and 12 cents. Prime product sells at about 13 cents or over.

Consigning hops is not much in favor with Oregon growers at present, that the Oregon Association is the only one of note. In the past 10 days perhaps 3000 bales have been sold. Several large shipments have been made on consignment a week ago, and another of 15 carloads yesterday. The products are moving freely, with plenty of cars available.

SHALL THERE BE MORE LIGHT?

Growing Districts Darken About Remaining in Cleanness.

The question of how to obtain more lights for the rapidly growing residence districts of the city is the subject of a report made by the Board of Public Works, although the board has repeatedly tried to disprove it by a general refusal on the ground of "appropriation for the purpose exhausted."

Petitions are still coming in, appealing for the transfer of area lights from their present locations to places where they are more in need, but when the suggestion is made to remove any particular light, the residents in sight of that light arise as one man, and oppose its removal. Even are lights that have stood apparently alone and friendless, far out in the distant suburb, where only the occasional milkman was thought to be benefited. Have friends among the timber in all directions, and they are not slow to manifest themselves when any member of the board suggests that the far-off light be useless in its present location and is needed much nearer the business center.

The board hopes to be able to set up more lights early in the New Year, as the Council will be prevailed upon to extend the appropriation for lights on the ground of an increased amount of tax money coming in. The members of the board all realize the necessity for more lights, as some of them live in dimly-lighted localities. The public can therefore depend upon the Board of Public Works giving more light when the fund has been increased.

MYSTERY OF TWO VALISES

They Were Found in the Brush at Pleasant Home by Children.

Residents of Pleasant Home have been trying to unravel the mystery surrounding the finding of two valises containing clothing and numerous other articles. Children playing in the brush near the home of J. Thorp, discovered the valises. On examination it was found that they contained a fine suit of clothes, some laundered shirts and a miscellaneous lot of collars. One of the valises held a pair of rubber boots and shoes, overalls that had been used about machinery, and a shaving outfit. Several men made a thorough search. Not far from where the valises were found a fire had been built. Here a large amount of paper had been burnt. On a half-burnt piece of card were the initials, "G. Z." and on another card were the words, "East Side Hotel." The paper destroyed had been written on, but the purpose seemed to be to efface all possible clue as only the smallest scraps had escaped the fire, which only separate words could be made out.

The search party beat the brush for some distance in vain, but after every minute to find the body of a suicide, but nothing was discovered which gave the smallest key to the mystery.

TIMBER LANDS GO UP.

Values Have Increased 50 Per Cent, Says A. B. Hammond.

"Timber land values in Oregon have increased 50 per cent since the granting of common point rates on lumber," said A. B. Hammond at the Portland Hotel yesterday. "There is a continually increasing demand for good timber lands, and Eastern capitalists are investing heavily. The lumber resources of the state are attracting considerable attention in the East, and undoubtedly the erection of a number of sawmills will follow the investment in lands."

"The Willamette Valley in particular

will be the scene of much activity during the next year, and Portland will be the base of supplies for the mill and logging camps. There is apparently a growing demand for lumber for export, and the fact that prices continue at profitable figures would indicate that there is no danger of overproduction. The situation in California is all that could be desired. There is a larger demand, at better figures, for redwood lumber and for sugar pine and yellow pine."

PERSONAL MENTION.

Judge R. A. Ballinger and wife, of Seattle, were in the city yesterday.

State Senator C. W. Fulton, of Astoria, was in Portland yesterday on legal business.

Albert Abrams, an attorney of Roseburg, is in the city. He has a mining case to try in the United States Court.

George Flavel, who is the largest owner of realty in Astoria, and Mrs. Flavel spent yesterday in Portland, the guests of friends.

Major J. T. Van Orsdale, of the Seventh Infantry, U. S. A., stationed at Vancouver, B. C., was in Portland yesterday on business connected with his regiment.

Mrs. J. W. Redington, after a serious

NEW CONTEST IS FILED

QUERER DEVELOPMENT OF THE TILLAMOOK LAND CASE.

G. O. Nolan Charges His Mother, Brother and Other Relatives With Fraud—Junior to Hays Matter.

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EXPLOSION AT POWDER WORKS

One Chinaman Killed and Seven Others and a White Man Injured.

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 4.—A terrific explosion occurred at the Judson Dynamite & Powder Company's works at Fleming's Point, Contra Costa County, this afternoon. A Chinaman, Ah Nig, was killed, and one white man and seven Chinese were badly injured. A gun-cotton house and a relative-mixing plant were entirely demolished by the force of the explosion.

NO REASON TO QUIT WORK

J. H. D. GRAY SAYS COUNTY JUDGES' ASSOCIATION IS ALL RIGHT.

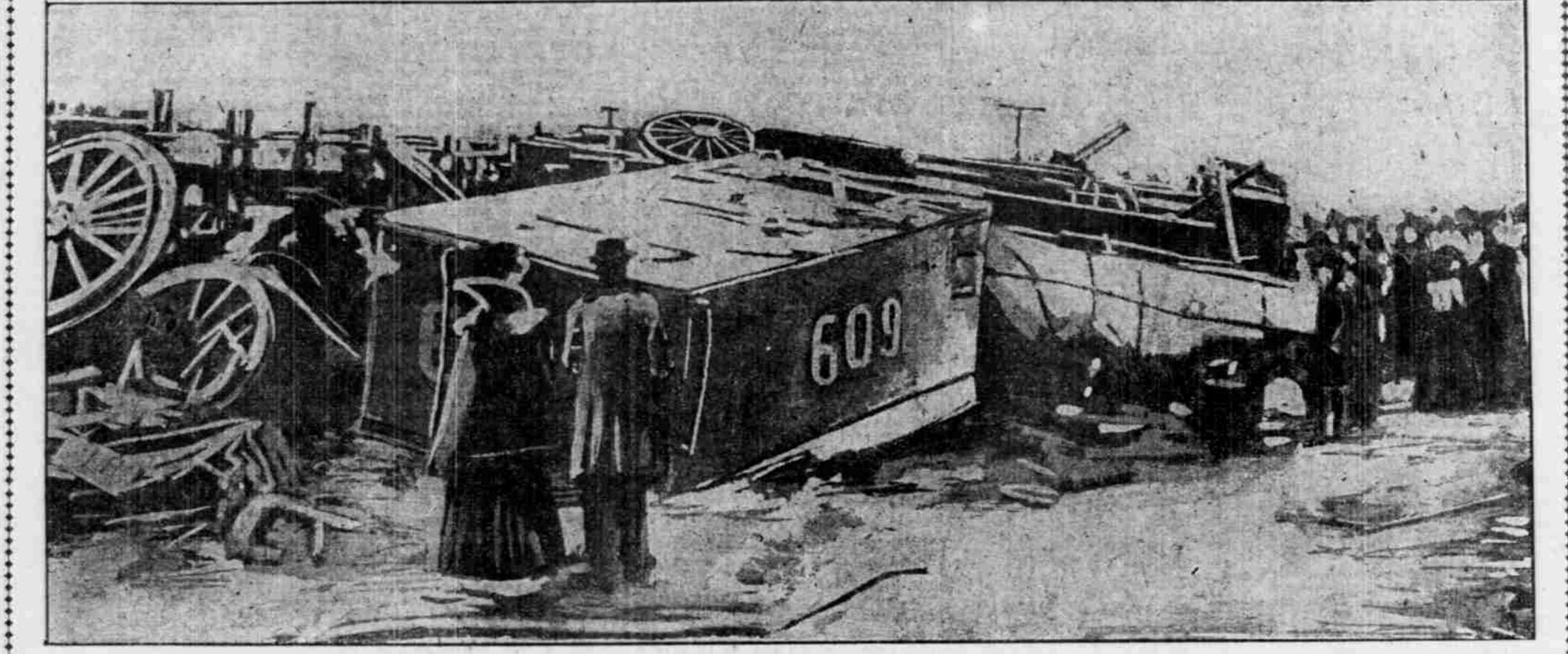
Desirable and Beneficial Results Accomplished Through Their Recommendations.

County Judge J. H. D. Gray, of Clatsop County, does not approve the suggestion made by Judge Bartholomew, president of the County Judges' Association, that the organization has outlived its usefulness and should be reorganized.

Gray was at the Imperial Hotel yesterday, and in the course of an interview said that the association of judges had accomplished desirable and beneficial results through their recommendations.

"The Judges' Association was organized in 1898," said Judge Gray yesterday, "and at the time the principal defect in existing laws to be removed related to the sale of delinquent tax lands. As the law then stood it was necessary to advertise, and issue an execution against each lot, the

RESPONSIBILITY PLACED FOR THE SENECA, MICH., TRAIN WRECK.



ADRIAN, Mich., Dec. 4.—The coroner's jury today found that the destructive collision near Seneca last Wednesday night, between trains No. 13 and 4, was caused by the negligence of the Michigan Railroad Company. The verdict says: "The railroad company was negligent in failing to provide train No. 4 with a head-end brakeman and in failing to provide proper signs at the place of meeting of trains 13 and 4."

Engineer Aaron T. Strong was found negligent in failing properly to understand and obey order No. 82, under which the train was running. Conductor George J. Martin was found

negligent in failing to signal the engineer to stop and in failing to apply the air-brakes when the engineer did not give the proper signal immediately. Fireman Bastin was found negligent in failing to remind the engineer of order No. 82 when the engineer failed to give the proper signal and slow up at Seneca. Brakeman A. W. Dittman was found negligent in failing to signal the engineer to stop and in failing to apply the air-brake until after the train had passed the station at Seneca when the engineer did not give the proper signal on approaching Seneca.

DELEGATES FOR CORVALLIS

Leave Tomorrow Morning for the Y. M. C. A. Convention.

The Portland delegates to the Interstate Y. M. C. A. convention will leave tomorrow morning for Corvallis. The delegation from this city will consist of about 20 men, among them being J. Thorburn Ross, chairman of the state committee, and H. W. Stone, state secretary.

The day sessions and the evening sessions, except those of Saturday, will be held at the Corvallis Hotel.

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WHAT CAUSES DEAFNESS

The Principal Cause Is Curable, but Generally Overlooked.

Many things may cause deafness, and very often it is difficult to trace a cause. Some people inherit deafness.



Acute diseases like scarlet fever sometimes cause deafness. But by far the most common cause of loss of hearing is catarrh of the head and throat.

A prominent specialist on ear troubles gives as his opinion that nine out of 10 cases of deafness are traced to throat troubles. This is probably overstated, but it is certainly true that more than half of all cases of poor hearing were caused by catarrh.

The catarrhal secretion in the nose and throat finds its way into the eustachian tube and by clogging it up very soon affects the hearing, and the hardening of the secretion makes the loss of hearing permanent, unless the catarrh which caused the trouble is cured.

Those who are hard of hearing may think this a little far fetched, but any one at all observant must have noticed how a hard cold in the head will affect the hearing and that catarrh if long neglected will certainly impair the sense of hearing and ultimately cause deafness.

If the nose and throat are kept clear and free from the unhealthy secretions of catarrh, the hearing will at once greatly improve and any one suffering from deafness and catarrh can satisfy himself on this point by using a 50-cent box of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, a new catarrh cure which in the past year has won the approval of thousands of catarrh sufferers, as well as physicians, because it is in convenient form and does not irritate the throat or operate in any way as a cathartic for children as for their elders.

Stuart's Catarrh Tablets is a wholesome combination of blood-purifying, antiseptic and similar antiseptics, and they cure catarrh and catarrhal deafness by action upon the blood and mucous membrane of the nose and throat.

As one physician aptly expresses it: "You do not have to draw upon the imagination to discover whether you are getting benefit from Stuart's Catarrh Tablets; improvement and relief are apparent from the first tablet taken."

All druggists sell and recommend them. They cost but 50 cents for full-sized package, and any catarrh sufferer who has wasted time and money on sprays, salves and powders will appreciate to the full the merit of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets.

J. E. Ziegler, 14-story dwelling, East Thirty-fifth, between Belmont and East Yamhill.

M. Becker, one-story dwelling, East Twenty-ninth and Sandy road; \$1000.

R. Grant, two-story dwelling, Belmont street, between East Thirty-third and East Thirty-fourth; \$2500.

Harry Scott, two-story dwelling, Twenty-second street, between Glen and Hoyt; \$3000.

ORDER AT ONCE.

The entire edition of last Sunday's Oregonian, though the largest ever issued, was sold out in a few hours. Those who desire next Sunday's paper, and are not regular subscribers, should order copies at once from the news dealer. This applies particularly to out-of-town readers.

A Rocky Mountain League Now.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 4.—A meeting of baseball enthusiasts will be held in this city tomorrow to discuss the proposition of organizing a ball team for the coming year. It is proposed, if found practicable, to organize a Rocky Mountain League, to include the cities of Great Falls, Butte, Helena, Pocatello, Ogden, Salt Lake and any other cities in this territory wishing to enter the league. Telegrams have been received from the cities named, who will have representatives at the meeting to be held in this city.

In the Restaurant.

Guest—What's become of that nice-looking waitress with glasses? Cashier—Gone back home, to Boston. She said she couldn't stand people calling for punkin pie when they meant "pumpkin."—Philadelphia Press.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS.

Real Estate Transfers.

William M. Ladd and wife to Leona W. Piper, lots 12 and 13, block 301, Couch Addition.

Same to Josephine Rumpel, E. 1/2 of lots 5 and 6, block 9, Garrison's subdivision in East Portland.

Ivor Williams to Grant Flegel, W. 1/2 of lots 7 and 8, block 15, Kenworthy's Addition.

Edna L. Skinner to G. C. Moser, part of block B, City.

James Hayne to Frank Edward Knight, 29 acres, Jacob Johnson D. L. C. 2 E.

Storey & Keeler Ltd. Co. to O. R. & N. Co., parcels of land, section 12, T. 2 N., R. 1 E.

Caroline E. Wilson to J. Ogden Armour, lot 7, block 22, City.

L. C. McCormick and wife to L. P. Hooper, 1/2 of S. 1/2 of SW. 1/4, N. 1/4 of SW. 1/4, and SW. 1/4 of SW. 1/4, section 4, T. 1 N., R. 1 W.

William Ladd and wife to I. R. Holman, lots 11 and 14, block 201, Portland.

Mary L. Hunter to James G. Hunter, lot 4, block 35, Caruthers to Caruthers.

James G. Hunter to Mary L. Hunter, 1.61 acres, section 21, T. 1 N., R. 2 E.

Ella E. Bybee to East Side Railway Company, 425x200x100 feet of City View Park Addition, 30 feet west of block 8.

George Zittmayer and wife to A. E. Williams, lots 31 and 32, block Sunrise Park.

Mary E. Nevers and husband to Margaret E. Baker, 1 acre in Perry Prettyman D. L. C.

Theodore Anderson to F. C. Markwardt, W. 1/2 of S. 1/2 of SW. 1/4, section 23, T. 1 S., R. 3 E.

E. Beers to Theodore Anderson, S. 1/2 of SW. 1/4, section 23, T. 1 S., R. 3 E.

Elizabeth Ryan to Eugene Blazer, lots 1 and 2, block 106, West Irvington.

Elizabeth Ryan to E. J. Blazer, lots 19 and 20, block 106, West Irvington.

Portland Trust Company to Charles MacLott, lot 11, block 8, Williams-Avenue Addition.

Same to Ellen M. MacLott, lot 12, block 8, Williams-Avenue Addition.

Same to W. E. Spicer to R. T. Roden, lot 3, block 1, Oakdale.

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NOTE.—Avoid baking powders made from alum. They look like pure powders, and may raise the cake, but alum is a poison and no one can eat food mixed with it without injury to health.