THUNDER RUSH IS ON

Pioneers Push Into Idaho Mining District.

WINTER ROUTE IS VIA WARREN

No Horses Can Be Employed Beyond That Point—Progress of Developments—Fortunes for Gardeners and Sawmill Men.

If Portland gets after it, it can secure the trade of the great Thunder Mountain mining district of Idaho. The rush to the mines has already begun, and there is no question that it will be very large, and that the outlay for supplies will be great. Reports are that there is much mining ground in the district, and room for all who desire in good faith to secure and develop claims.

H. B. Brown, of Grangeville, Idaho, says the trade of the Thunder Mountain country belongs logically and geographically to Portland, and it will come this way if proper encouragement be given; that is, if the merchants shall be sufficiently enterprising to go after it and see that facilities are provided for handling it promptly.

The only Winter route to Thunder Mountain is by way of the old mining camp of Warren. There are two routes to Warren, one by way of Stites and Grangeville in the Clearwater Valley, and the other by way of Weiser and Council. According to Mr. Brown there is little choice between these routes. Stites is the terminus of the Clearwater branch of the Northern Pacific. Council is the terminus of the Pacific & Idaho Northern, which connects with the Oregon Short Line at Weiser. It is entirely impracticable to go to Thunder Mountain in Winter time without passing through Warren, and it is not practicable to take horses beyond Warren. This is not so much due to the difficulties of getting horses over the deep snow as it is to the scarcity of feed for the animals. Where snow is deep men can go faster than horses, and there is no good reason for packing horse feed into that district.

Mr. Brown is just out from a trip to Thunder Mountain. He says the mill at the Dewey mine there is shut down because the crew of operatives stampeded to some new diggings on Indian Creek, about 20 miles southward from Thunder Mountain. Good reports have come from that section, but the most trustworthy information is to the effect that the Indian Creek ledges are of low-grade ore and will require systematic development if adequate returns are to be had from them. There is plenty of the ore and no doubt that that camp will be a large producer eventually.

Only two properties in the Thunder Mountain district show any considerable amount of development. On the Dewey 400 feet of tunnel has been run, all in ore. The ore runs about $8 per ton at the mill. On the Fairview mine 100 feet of tunnel has been driven, with 52 feet of cross-cut in ore and about 20 feet yet to go before striking the wall. A great number of locations have been made, but not much work has been done on them. The Idaho law requires 100 cubic feet of excavation for assessment work, and the demands of that law will be met by comparatively few of the locators.

Mr. Brown says people who go into the country to make bona fide locations in the Spring will have no difficulty in finding room. Though most of the country is staked, that does not mean that it is all legally taken or even that it was all staked in good faith. There are a large number of snow locations, which are not regarded seriously by the practical miner. "I know one man who has more than 100 claims staked," said Mr. Brown, "but he will work his assessment on only four of them. This is but an illustration of the situation. Hundreds of claims that have been staked will be open to location anew this Spring. And then there are many fractions of claims that will be available in desirable localities. I do not think there will be any lack of ground to locate this Spring.

"It is very difficult to get lumber in that district. The Dewey sawmill has all it can do to cut lumber for the improvements planned for the Dewey mine. The reliance of the miner now is whipsawed lumber, for which $100 per 1000 feet is paid. People going into that country would better take tents to live in than to count on building even log houses, for timber is not plentiful where the miners need to use it. A sawmill for custom work would be more profitable than the richest mine in the district.

"I also believe that country offers a most promising field for farmers and truck gardeners. There is no question but the region is rich in mineral, but it will be a low-grade camp, and a great many men will find employment in the mining operations to be carried on. This will make a steady demand for produce, and the area that can be farmed is so small that the miners will surely take all that can be grown within reach. For years to come I believe he who cultivates the soil of that region will do as well as he who delves in the mines, and they will all do well.

"Prices are moderate there now, considering all the circumstances. At no point along the road is the charge for a meal more than 50 cents. A man can go in by way of either Stites or Council and sleep under a roof every night except the last one. I would take along about five pounds of concentrated food to eat when I could not get suitable meals. There is no particular danger on the road. The movement toward the mines has already begun, and it will be a notable one."

Three Daring Burglaries.

PEORIA, Ill., April 17.—Professional burglars accomplished three of the most daring robberies ever known in Illinois this morning when the residence of F. G. Shurtleff, George H. Littlewood and Dr. George T. Gray were entered and upwards of $2000 in money and jewelry was taken. The two latter burglaries were committed after the police had been notified and were in the near vicinity of the first. While going through the houses of Shurtleff and Littlewood the burglars were discovered, but kept their victims at bay with revolvers and talked to them. Mr. Littlewood was troubled with heart disease, and one of the robbers brought him a drink of water while the other watched with the gun. The police have no clew.

Gives Himself Up for Murder.

MILES CITY, Mont., April 17.—Perry O. Keppler today surrendered himself to the authorities for the murder of his partner, R. A. Ellis. Both were sheepmen on the Big Dry Creek. They had had a row, and Keppler claims Ellis drew a gun on him, when he killed him with a Winchester rifle. Ellis' body was found with the weapon still in his hands.

Frohman Buys a Play.

NEW YORK, April 17.—Hobart Chatfield Taylor, of Chicago, has, it is stated, disposed of the dramatic rights of his novel, "The Crimson Wing," to Charles Frohman.

SCENES IN THE THUNDER MOUNTAIN MINING REGION.

Dewey mill, 1200-1500 feet southeast from mine.

Assay Office at Dewey mine.

Recorder's office, Thunder Mountain distriat, near Dewey mine, one-fourth mile.

Townsite of Roosevelt on Mule Creek.

Elk Summit, 8100 feet, where three men were killed in snow slide in February.

Smokehouse on Elk Summit, 7200 feet—31 miles east of Warren.

PRIZES FOR BIRD-LOVERS

PERIOD FOR BURRELL COMPETITION EXTENDED TO JUNE 1.

Rewards for Pupils Who Can Name the Most Birds by Sight and Song.

The John Burroughs Club at its regular meeting Tuesday night decided on account of the lateness of the season this year to extend the time of the competition for the cash prizes offered by Mrs. Rosa F. Burrell. The competition therefore will close June 1, instead of May 1. It was voted to send out a large number of copies of the following letter to the various County Superintendents of Oregon, so that every teacher in the state will be provided with the necessary information regarding the terms of the competition:

To the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, County Superintendents and Principals of the Elementary Schools of the State of Oregon—Gentlemen and Ladies: The John Burroughs Society, of Portland, has, through the generosity of Mrs. Rosa F. Burrell, of this city, two prices to award for knowledge of the native birds of Oregon. These prizes are to be given yearly to the classes of the highest grade in the elementary schools of the state.

The first prize is $20, the second $8, which are to be awarded to those who can name the most birds by sight and song, and who write a sufficiently excellent composition on the subject. The relative markings for the two examinations will be upon the scale of 100, 60 per cent for the field test, and 40 per cent for the composition test. That is, actual knowledge of the birds will count for more than excellence in composition.

The competition is open to the class graduating in February, as well as to the class graduating in June. The compositions must be in the hands of the secretary of the John Burroughs Society, 346 Yamhill street, Portland, Or., not later than June 1. The field examinations will be given the last week in May and the first week in June of each year. All who send compositions to the secretary will be considered as applicants for a field examination, and the address of each writer should be inclosed with the composition.

All pupils who kill birds or collect eggs or nests, even for the purpose of study, are excluded from the competition.

A prize of $25 is also offered for the teacher whose pupils have the highest average in the contest for the Burrell prize.

CLARENCE H. GILBERT, President.
WILLIAM F. M'KIBBEN, Secretary.

The club has been invited to join with the Humane Society in annual public meeting for the awarding of prizes, and will probably avail itself of the offer.

Through the energy and enthusiasm of one of the John Burroughs Club members, Colonel L. L. Hawkins, and the courtesy of the city authorities, the club has been offered the use of a room in the City Hall for a permanent home, and has decided to accept. As soon as the room is ready for occupancy the club meetings therefore will be transferred to the new quarters. Through the generosity of the trustees of the Unitarian Church the club has held its meetings in the church parlors ever since its organization. Such hospitality as this is most unusual, and has naturally been warmly appreciated by the John Burroughs Club.

Considerable time was spent in discussing the advisability of forming a state Audubon Society that would be entitled to a vote in the National Federation of Audubon Societies. This would bring the bird-lovers of Oregon into closer touch with Eastern ornithologists. A committee of three—Miss Gertrude Metcalfe, Ross Nicholas and Herman T. Bohlman—was appointed to confer with Rev. W. R. Lord, the organizer and first president of the club, and the matter will in all probability be definitely decided at the next meeting.

It is probable that in the near future arrangements will be made for Mr. Lord to deliver a stereopticon lecture under the auspices of the club, as it is said that he has a large number of very beautiful slides which bird-lovers can not fail to enjoy. A motion was carried that a committee of five should be appointed to take charge of this matter.

This season's regular Saturday afternoon outings for field study were inaugurated about two weeks ago. A happy innovation has been introduced in that students of botany and all those who are interested in the flora of Oregon are welcomed as guests on these occasions. Thus the study of birds can be combined with the study of flowers; and as M. W. Gorman, or some other botanist of recognized standing, is very apt to be in the party, the opportunity for enlightenment regarding the beauties of woodland and meadow is of exceptional value. Two excursions with opera-glasses and notebooks have already been made to Arbor Lodge, on the road to St. Johns, that being regarded as a specially favored locality by bird students. Among the feathered tenants of the tree tops observed in that neighborhood are: Audubon's warbler, the phoebe bird, the chickadee, the towhee, the robin, the song sparrow, the yellow warbler, Vigor's wren, the bluebird, the meadow lark, the junco, the violet-green swallow, the crow, an owl, Parkman's wren, the purple finch, the varied thrush, the white-crowned sparrow, the evening grosbeak, the bush-tit, the ruby-crowned kinglet, the golden-crowned kinglet, and the yellow hammer or flicker.

CHIEF EXHIBIT OF FAIR.

Philippine Display at St. Louis Exposition.

ST. LOUIS, April 17.—As a result of Governor Taft's conference with the executive committee of the World's Fair, he induced that body to co-operate financially with the Philippine Government in the matter of its exhibit. He declared to the committee that its action would have pronounced moral effect on the Filipino people, and would do more toward pacification than repressive military methods. The executive committee unanimously agreed to assume a portion of the expense entailed by the Governor-General's plan. On his return to Washington he will submit the agreement to Secretary Root for approval. The exact sum appropriated by the exposition company toward the insular exhibit will not be known until after the approval of the Secretary of War. The agreement means that the Philippine display is intended to be the supreme feature of the World's Fair.

Secretary Walter B. Stevens, of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company, was asked today if the world's fair management had official cognisance of Senator Allison's amendment to the sundry civil appropriation bill, authorizing the postponement of the exposition to 1904.

"We have no information," he said, "except what is contained in the unofficial reports from Washington. The question of postponing the fair, as President Francis has stated, has not been submitted to the board of directors, and it is my belief it will not be at the present time. Of course, if Congress takes the intiative and votes for the postponement, the local management will necessarily have to accept that decision and act accordingly."

Not Mrs. Leutgert.

CHICAGO, April 17.—The demented woman who was at first thought to be Mrs. Louise Luetgert, for whose murder Adolph Luetgert, a wealthy sausage-maker, was convicted, is not she, according to W. A. Vincent, who was Luetgert's attorney. He sent two men who had known Mrs. Luetgert to see the demented woman today and they reported she was not Mrs. Luetgert.

Two-Million Dollar Plant.

CHICAGO, April 17.—The G. H. Hammond Company has awarded the contract for constructing its great plant at the Union stockyards, and work will begin at once. The contract provides for buildings aggregating a cost of $2,000,000. The plans provide for five structures, embracing every department of the packing business. It is to employ at least 3000 men.

NEW LINE TO IRVINGTON

PORTLAND RAILWAY COMPANY PLANS AN EXTENSION.

Route Not Yet Divulged, but It Will Not Closely Parallel the City & Suburban.

Irvington may get a new street-car line. The Portland Railway Company is trying to get a route to connect with its Union-avenue and Burnside-bridge track.

The Council has not yet been asked for a franchise, but petition will be made as soon as the company can fix upon a route. F. I. Fuller, general manager of the company, said yesterday that he desired an extension to Irvington, to round out the company's lines in East Portland. But he declined to say how far the plans have proceeded. He did not wish to divulge them until they are complete, and then the Council will be asked for a franchise. Opposition from some property-owners on the lower streets of East Portland is expected to arise, but the company hopes it will not be serious enough to thwart the project. Irvington people are very eager for the new line. Several of them said yesterday that they would mount their housetops, if necessary, to shout for it, and would exert themselves to their utmost to offset any contrary influence. If the project is consummated, it will have an enhancing effect on property values in Irvington.

The route from Union avenue has not yet been definitely selected. A course which is strongly favored leads up East Couch to East Twelfth street, north on East Twelfth to Holladay avenue, thence to East Thirteenth, north on East Thirteenth to Broadway, east on Broadway to Twenty-second, north on Twenty-second to Brazee, and thence east on Brazee street.

It is understood that this route has been very closely studied by the company. It is regarded as the most favorable that could be selected, in relation to the tracks of the City & Suburban line. It would parallel the City & Suburban probably as little as any other. The only close parallel would be with the established track on East Fifteenth street, from Multnomah to Tillamook. Otherwise the proposed line would be through a part of the city that has no street-cars. The length of the track would be about 2½ miles.

Do Not Believe in Adam and Eve.

NEW YORK, April 17.—Because they declared their belief that Adam and Eve were mythical characters, two young men who asked to be admitted to preach, have failed to get the necessary licenses from the Elizabeth, N. J., Presbytery. The candidates were Gilbert Lovell and Harrison K. Wright, who are members of the Crescent-Avenue Presbyterian Church, of Plainfield. Lovell has been a church member 13 years.

George Gould's Son Injured.

NEW YORK, April 17.—In a practice polo game on the Georgian court grounds at Lakewood, N. J., Kingdon Gould, eldest son of George J. Gould, was thrown from his pony in a scrimmage. The fall stunned him for a time, but he sustained no serious injury beyond a sprained wrist.

Memorial Window Unveiled.

NEW YORK, April 17.—At the dedication exercises of the new First Reformed Church of Long Branch, N. J., a memorial window was unveiled to the late President McKinley and Vice-President Hobart.

Golf Club Formed at Baker City.

BAKER CITY, April 17.—A golf club has been organized in this city. The links will be located near the warm springs in the eastern part of the city.

NEAR 4000 SUBSCRIBERS

REMARKABLE GROWTH OF PORTLAND'S PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Average Book Circulation About 400 Per Day—Many Visitors to Newspaper-Room.

The free library movement has been received by the people of Portland with an interest and enthusiasm that have exceeded all expectations. The growth in the number of members and circulation of books have been remarkable, and the appreciation shown together with the willingness of the patrons to assist the management in carrying out their work has been most gratifying. This, combined with the marked interest shown by those in charge of the work, and their manifest willingness to assist their patrons, argues much promise for the future.

It has been just a month since the library opened under its new auspices. Its members now number 3860, and its book circulation has reached an average of 400 per day. The periodical and newspaper-rooms are also receiving a very liberal patronage.

That the library is held in high respect and appreciation is well shown by the newspaper-room. This room is entirely without supervision, yet at any time a large number of people may be found there quietly reading, and during the month not a single paper has been lost This respectful attitude of the patrons is noticeable throughout the library. Although the rooms are sometimes crowded, there is no noise or disturbance of any kind.

The library seems now to be covering an immense field. People of all classes come there to read and study. Many of its books have found their way into homes where books have previously been strangers. Those who enjoy a home library find here a broader field for their study.

Especial interest seems to have been taken in the children's department, which has already attained a membership of 561, with an average daily circulation of 85 per day. Complete sets of "St. Nicholas" and "Our Young Folks" have been recently donated to the children's department, and the children regard them with much appreciation.

The present management of the library is exceptionally accommodating. Each and every patron, whatever be his status, is willingly assisted in finding any subject he desires. Many improvements are being made, among which is a complete and systematic cataloguing of the library. A card system is being used and by this means any book contained in the library, or any subject treated, may be readily turned to. Arrangements have also been made so that current numbers of the following magazines will be allowed to circulate among the members: Scribner's, Century, Harper's, North American Review, McClure's, Cosmopolitan and St. Nicholas.

The library at present is lacking in books dealing along practical lines. The subjects of science, useful arts, electricity and mechanics have been neglected. The management is extremely anxious to build up this part of the library, and to this end outside help is solicited. New books are being added as fast as conditions will permit, and with reasonable outside assistance the Portland library will soon compare favorably with the libraries of most cities.

The following are the new books added during the past week:

Aesop—A Child's Version of Aesop's Fables j888A254
Arnott, S.—Book of Bulbs 716.2A764
Baker, M. N.—Municipal Engineering and Sanitation 628B168
Baldwin, James—Conquest of the Old Northwest j973B181
Baldwin, James—Story of Roland j398B181
Baldwin, James—Story of the Golden Age j398B181
Bell, Mrs. F. (O.)—Fairy Tale Plays and How to Act Them j793B433
Blaisdell, A. F.—Stories of the Civil War j973.7B635
Browning, Robert—Boy's Browning j821B885
Burton, T. E.—Financial Crises 332B974
Champlin, J. D.—Young Folks' History of the War for the Union j973.7C453
Chaucer, Goeffrey—Canterbury Tales; Annotated by John Saunders 821C496
Clark, J. B.—Control of Trusts 338.8C593
Cram, W. E.—Little Beasts of Field and Wood j599C888
Cushing, H. C.—Standard Wiring for Electric Light and Power 621.3C984
Dana, R. H.—Two Years Before the Mast j910D169
Deming, E. W.—Indian Child Life j970.1D381
Dewey, John—Educational Situation pam-370
Dodge, T. A.—Bird's-Eye View of Our Civil War j973.7B645
Drake, F. S.—Indian History for Young Folks j970.1D761
Dugan, C. A.—King's Jester and Other Short Plays for Small Stages j793D866
Earle, Mrs. A. (M.)—Old-Time Gardens 716E12
Edwards, O. M.—Wales 942.9E26
Ensign, H. L.—Lady Lee and Other Animal Stories j594E59
Forsythe, Clarence—Old Songs for Young America j784F735
Froissart, Jean—Chronicles; Condensed by Adam Singleton j942F929
Frost, W. H.—Knights of the Round Table j398F939
Genung, J. F.—Stevenson's Attitude to Life 188848G
Gibson, W. H.—Blossom Hosts and Insect Guests j581G451
Harrison, Frederic—George Washington and Other American Addresses 824H319
Hasluck, P. N.—Practical Gas-Fitting 665.7H352
Hazard, B. E., and Dutton, S. T.—Indians and Pioneers j973.1H428
Homer—Iliad; tr. by W. C. Bryant 883H766B
Homer—Iliad; tr. by Lang, Leaf and Myers 883H763L
Howells, W. D.—Heroines of Fiction 823H859
Jastrow, Morris—Study of Religion 201J39
Jebb, R. C.—Greek Literature 880.9J44
King, Pauline—American Mural Painting 729.4K54
Lee, Albert—Track Athletics j796L477
Mahan, A. T.—Types of Naval Officers 923.5M214
Malory, Sir Thomas—Boy's King Arthur, ed. by Sidney Lanier j398M237
Melrose, C. J.—Bridge Whist 795M528
Mollett, J. W.—Painters of Barbizon 927.5M726
Morley, M. W.—Little Wanderers j581M864
Morley, M. W.—Wasps and Their Ways 595.79M864
Munroe, C. K.—Fur Seal's Tooth jM968f
Munroe, C. K.—Snowshores and Sledges jM968s
Patten, S. M.—Theory of Prosperity 330P316
Phyfe, W. H. P.—5000 Facts and Fancies R031P578
Reppller, Agnes, ed.—Book of Famous Verse 821.08R425
Riis, Jacob—Making of an American BR572
Scollard, Clinton, ed.—Ballads of American Bravery 821.08S422
Scudder, H. E.—Book of Legends 398S436
Shakspere, William—Historical Tales From Shakespeare; by A. T. Quiller-Couch j822H
Thacher, Mrs. L. W., comp.—Listening Child 821.08T359
Thackeray, W. M.—Rose and the Ring jT363r
Troeger, J. W., and E. B.—Harold's Explorations j500T843
Tunzelmann, G. W., de.—Wireless Telegraphy 654T927
Twombly, A. S.—Hawaii and Its People j996.9T974
Van Dyke, J. C.—(The) Desert 917.9V248
Wells, H. G.—First Men in the Moon W454f
Whiting, Lilian—World Beautiful in Books 804W599
Wilson, C. D.—Story of the Cid j946W747

COLUMBIA FELLOWSHIPS.

Thirty-eight Awards Have Been Made.

NEW YORK, April 17.—Annual fellowships in Columbia University have just been awarded for the academic year by the University Council. Thirty-eight were awarded, each carrying an annual stipend of $500 or more. The successful candidates come from 20 states and territories, almost half of them west of the Mississippi River. Among the awards are:

University fellowships—In chemistry, Hal Beans, of Moscow, Idaho; in administrative law, Harold Bowman, DesMoines, Ia.; in European history, William Boyd, of Durham, N. C.; in zoology, Charles Brues, of Texas; in metallurgy, William Campbell, of England; in Greek, Stephen Hurlburt, of Madison, Wis.; in geology, Douglas Johnson, of Albuquerque, N. M.; in physiology, James Miner, of Berlin, Wis.; in constitutional law, Samuel Orth, of Akron, O.; in zoology, Raymond Osborne, of Fargo, N. D.

Alternates under the faculty of philosophy—In anthropology, Joseph Blair, of Pennsylvania; in psychology, James Porter, of Bloomington, Ind.

Alternates under the faculty of political science—In finance, Robert Olson, of Walla Walla, Wash.; in statistics, Daniel Peacock, of Richmond, Ind.

Alternates under the faculty of pure and applied science—In chemistry, David McFarland, Lawrence, Kan.; in civil engineering, Richard Lyman, of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Honorary fellowships—In economics and political sciences, Henry Mussey, of Atkinson, Ill.

Carl Schurz fellowship for the study of the German language and literature, John L. Kind, of Omaha, Neb.

Annual fellowship — In anthropology, William Jones, Oklahoma.

Temple Beth Israel.

Rev. Dr. Stephen S. Wise, of the Temple Beth Israel, will preach this evening on "A Model of Sorrows—a Passover Sermon." The services continue to be held at the Unitarian chapel, beginning at 8 o'clock P. M., and strangers are always welcome.

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