AFTER ROYAL FISH

Season Opens on the Columbia River.

VERY HEAVY RUN IS EXPECTED

Seventeen Canneries and Ten Cold-Storage Plants Have Prepared to Take Care of Catch—Price Same as Last Year.

ASTORIA, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—The royal chinook Spring salmon is again the legal prey of nets, seines, traps, wheels and wires. The far-famed Columbia is known to have been well stocked with a goodly early run of salmon during the past month. More fishermen started out last evening to lay out their nets than have been known to commence with the opening of the season for years.

The early run has stimulated preparations in all departments of the industry, so that the canneries and cold-storages are now ready to handle all the fish offered. Thus the season is open, and fishing has begun. The following 17 canneries will be operated on the Columbia River during this season:

P. J. McGowan & Sons' three plants at McGowans, Ilwaco and Cascades; Union Fishermen's Co-Operative Packing Company; Tallant-Grant Packing Company; Sanborn-Cutting Packing Company and A. Booth Packing Company, at Astoria; Seaborg, at Hume Station; Megler, at Brookfield; Harrington, at Harrington; Point Seufert, at The Dalles; Warren, two plants, Cathlamet and Warrendale; Columbia River Packers' Association, two plants, the Elmore and Kinney canneries, at Astoria; the Eureka cannery and the one at Rooster Rock.

There will be at least ten cold-storage plants operated, as follows: Tallant-Grant, S. Scmidt & Co., Union Fishermen's, J. Lindenberger; Vendsyssel, Warren; A. Booth, Columbia River Packers, Martin Booth and the Portland Cold-Storage & Packing Company.

These plants are now all in readiness or nearly so, except the cold-storage plant of the Tallant-Grant Packing Company and the Ilwaco cannery of McGowan & Sons, which latter is intended for use later in the season.

Prices for fish will be the same as last season—5 cents for cannery fish and 6 cents for cold-storage or fish weighing over 25 pounds.

The opinion is expressed by some that most of the early run of salmon has already passed Astoria, and that but few fish will be taken until another run makes its appearance. This has usually been the experience in former years, and hence is not unexpected. Should they continue to be as plentiful as they have appeared to be during the past month, both fishermen and packers will be most happy, though an unusually large pack would have a tendency to reduce prices.

The nonappearance of tinplate is now by far the most serious problem before the canners. The American tinplate trust is being soundly berated up and down the river for failing to ship tinplate ordered months ago, in time to arrive here before the season opened. Should a heavy run of fish continue, there might be some interesting damage suits filed on account of the shortage of tinplate for cans.

Opening prices for Columbia River Spring salmon are: Flats, $1.45; talls, $1.85; halves, 85 cents per dozen.

SHOOT TO SAVE SALMON.

Fisherman Nearly Murdered by Fire From Ambush.

OREGON CITY, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—The close season for salmon fishing on the Clackamas and Willamette Rivers closed today, bringing relief to the hearts of the water bailiffs, who hail with delight the open season. Bailiffs W. W. Smith and O. F. Jones have been hunting all day yesterday and today for salmon which were supposed to be concealed, and although they looked on every island from the mouth of the Clackamas to the hatchery, they found no fish. The work of the officers has resulted in more catches this year than in any previous season, but they have been handicapped by the existing laws to a great extent.

Bailiff Smith said today that the laws should be changed to make it a misdemeanor for a fisherman to be on the river with his boat and net during the close season. It is difficult for the bailiffs to catch a man in the act of fishing, though many of them are seen with gear, and it is a sure shot they have been fishing. Another change in the laws advocated by Mr. Smith is one making it criminal for boats and nets to be hauled up the banks of the Clackamas and placed in the river. It is impossible, on account of the rapid water in the Clackamas, to tow boats up that stream, and they are hauled 20 miles up from the mouth, and the fishermen then drift down the river. Proper amendments to the laws would put a stop to fishing in the close season.

Last night Ed Himler, one of the best-known fishermen on the Clackamas, was fired at by unknown persons. Three shots were fired, one of them penetrating the boat close to the thwart where he was pulling. Himler was a badly frightened man. It is supposed that the bullets came from a gun in the hands of fishermen who had salmon hidden away on the banks of the Clackamas, and who thought Himler was in search of them. There has been more or less stealing of salmon going on while the close season has been in force. A great many men catch fish unlawfully and then steal from one another.

The shooting occurred just below the Erickson place, about a mile above the spot where the water bailiffs captured over 100 chinook salmon last Friday night. Night before last there was a regular fusillade of shots all night long, and these shots were known to have been fired by a man who had salmon hidden.

Threats have been made against the bailiffs, and some of those men who have been found to have indulged in unlawful fishing have been heard to say that as soon as the bailiffs remove their stars there will be something doing. But the officers are not at all alarmed. They have collected licenses from 17 fishermen, which includes most of the fishermen around Oregon City and Park Place. Next week they will go to Milwaukie and collect the licenses there.

Found Contraband Salmon.

ST. HELENS, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—Deputies Webster, Talbert and Marshal seized 1500 pounds of fresh salmon piled up on a lower dock at Rainier at an early hour yesterday morning. They also seized two fish nets, one of them brand new. The Deputy Wardens took their catch to Mayger, reaching there about daylight. The fish were shipped to Fish Warden Van Dusen at Astoria.

Bailiff Marshall Is Busy Now.

ASTORIA, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—Fish Warden Van Dusen has taken no official action so far against Water Bailiff Marshall, who is charged with having used his position to grant fishermen the privilege of fishing during the closed season for $5 each. Mr. Van Dusen says that Marshall is with Deputy Warden Webster at some point along the river, and he has been unable to locate him since the charges were preferred against him. As soon as he can be found, he will be questioned about the charges.

Nearly 400 Gillnet Licenses.

ASTORIA, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—The gillnet licenses issued from the Fish Warden's office in this city up to and including today number 388, which is a larger number than was issued on the day before the opening of the fishing season last year.

WORKED YEARS FOR NAUGHT.

Woman Who Sued for Services to Brother Loses.

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 14.—The Supreme Court has affirmed the Superior Court of Spokane County in the case of Alice McBride, appellant, vs. John McGinley, respondent. The parties to the suit are sister and brother.

On the death of her husband in Philadelphia in 1892 Mrs. McBride and her daughter, Alice, came out West to keep house for McGinley, who has a ranch at Fairview. Mrs. McBride shared the work of the farm for nine years, her brother supplying her needs and her daughter's needs. At the end of that time a disagreement seems to have arisen, and McGinley gave his sister $200 and asked her to find a home elsewhere. She brought suit for $2500 in return for her nine years' service.

The failure to sustain her allegation that there had been an agreement between them that she was to receive fair compensation in addition to her living was the reason of McGinley's victory in the lower court, which decision is now sustained by the Supreme Court.

CURE FOR LUMPY JAW.

Cattleman Tells of His Experience With Such Cases.

PILOT ROCK, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—An experienced cattleman, who had read The Oregonian of Thursday last, in conversation with your correspondent, commented on the published statement from Baker City, relative to actinomycosis, or lumpy jaw, the well-known disease among cattle, and said:

"Twenty years ago, when I was extensively engaged in the cattle business in this part of Oregon, we had many more cases of lumpy jaw than at present. Of course, there were a good many more cattle at that time than there are now in Eastern Oregon, but we did not mind the disease, as we soon learned how to cure it. If taken in time it is easily cured. My plan was to lance the swelling, after which I applied pulverized vitriol. It was always a sure cure. No, I never heard of lumpy jaw among human beings. In all cases where we could not effect a cure we usually killed the animal, but never sold it to whites or the Indians."

NORTHWEST DEAD.

Washington Pioneer Dies.

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 14.—A. B. Langworthy, a well-known pioneer of the Michigan Hill district, in the southwest part of the county, is dead at the age of 68 years. Congestion of the lungs, coming at a time when his system was broken down, was the cause of death. He has lived in this county a number of years. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, having served throughout the Civil War with a Michigan regiment, was in a number of important engagements, and participated in Sherman's march to the sea. Mr. Langworthy has been prominent in the affairs of his district.

Tale of Sea Serpent.

VICTORIA, B. C., April 14.—Officers of the cable station at Bamfield Creek are sponsors for a story that a sea serpent from 40 to 60 feet long, and with a head like a horse, has been seen off the station. The cable operators say in letters to the local newspapers that Indians had been telling of the existence of a sea serpent, but the stories were not credited. David Osborn, one of the officials, says that a week ago the animal was seen from the cable station to raise a big horselike head and swim out from the mouth of Bamfield Creek into Barley Sound.

Mr. Godson, of the cable staff, says that when he first saw the animal it looked like a massive sea weed, but presently he saw the head elevated, and the big serpent moved off toward the sea. Mr. Godson says it moved off with the speed of a torpedo-boat. On April 10 an Indian saw the thing, and was so frightened that he ran his canoe into the breakers, left it and fled along the beach to the cable station. The Indian said the thing had a head shaped like a horse, and its body, ten feet of which was lifted, was the size of a barrel. The Indians in the neighborhood are terrified.

Cause of Action Was Not Given.

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 14.—(Special.)—For the failure of the complaint to state a cause of action the judgment of the lower court of Kittitas County is reversed by the Supreme Court in the case of J. P. Lacaff, respondent, vs. Dutch Miller Mining & Smelting Company, appellant. The case is remanded with permission to amend the complaint within 30 days to conform to the ruling of the court.

J. P. Lacaff bought 15,666 2-3 shares of stock in the defendant company from Marcus Bertram. Bertram had paid for the stock, but the certificates had not yet been issued to him. This action was to have Lacaff declared the owner of the stock he had purchased and to compel the company to issue the certificates. Mr. Lacaff won his suit in the lower court, but the failure to show the transfer of the stock or the duty of the company to do it leads the Supreme Court to reverse the decision as stated above.

Demand for Men at Pilot Rock.

PILOT ROCK, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—There is a big demand here for boys and men. Every day sheepmen are coming to town looking for help. Men are receiving $35 and $40 per month, and boys 75 cents per day during the lambing season, which will last from 40 to 60 days. Sheepherders are also reported scarce. In fact, any one in search of employment can find steady work at good wages in this section.

Special Venire in Benson Trial.

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 14.—(Special.)—The Spring term of the Superior Court opened today with the trial of Christ Benson, charged with the murder of Jailer Dave Morrell. The jury was only partially secured when the panel was exhausted. Adjournment was taken until the return of a special venire from the country districts, where the crime has not been so fully exploited.

Spokane Democratic City Ticket.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 14.—The Democratic City Convention tonight nominated State Senator Huber Rasher for Mayor, Floyd Daggett for Controller and M. H. Eggleston for Treasurer. Daggett and Eggleston are the present incumbents. The convention also nominated a complete Council ticket. Mayor P. S. Byrne was a candidate for renomination.

Big Increase in Sheep.

PILOT ROCK, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—Charles Cunningham, known as the sheep king of Eastern Oregon, reports 108 per cent in a 2-year-old band of ewes. Taken as a whole the increase this year is proving very satisfactory to the sheepmen. Grass continues to grow rapidly, and there is an abundance of feed everywhere.

Received 33,000 Volts of Electricity.

REDLANDS, Cal., April 14.—Tom Logan, a lineman for the Edison Company, was electrocuted this afternoon, 33,000 volts passing through his body while he was working on the power-transmission line. Another lineman named Dunn was badly burned.

Survey of Spokane's Reservation.

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 14.—(Special.)—The office of the United States Surveyor-General has received instructions to survey the Spokane Indian reservation. This reservation is located in the southwestern corner of Stephens County, along and directly north of the Spokane River.

SMALLPOX SCARE OVER

HEALTH OFFICIALS HAVE THE DISEASE UNDER CONTROL.

Prompt Action of the Authorities Averts an Epidemic in Eastern Oregon.

PRINEVILLE, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—While a number of cases of smallpox have developed in Eastern Oregon, the health officials are doing good work and seem to have the disease under control. It is thought that an epidemic will be averted. From one man who was exposed to the disease in Pennsylvania the disease has spread to its present confines. About four weeks ago a young man from Pennsylvania, named Basebinder, passed through Shaniko, and later Prineville, on his way to a timber claim in the mountains. Before leaving Pennsylvania he had been exposed to smallpox, and infected one of the hotels here. About two weeks later a boarder in the hotel, a little girl resident, a waitress and a carpenter who had stopped there developed the disease. They were promptly isolated, and on the arrival of the State Health Officer one Mr. Dillon was found in a critical stage with a confluent form of smallpox. The carpenter has a moderately severe attack of the confluent form; little Miss Boyd and Miss Claypool have a mild type of the disease. Mr. Smith is rapidly recovering from a very mild attack. The accessories for the complete and thorough disinfection of the hotel were immediately set on foot.

Vaccination of school children is arranged for tomorrow, and a general vaccination ordered within three days. At the present time Howard Dillon is in a very critical condition. No further developments of the disease has been found within the last 12 hours, and it is now hoped that the disease is entirely under control, and unless new cases develop that the disease will be entirely eradicated.

At Antelope.

The citizens of Antelope were startled Monday upon discovering a well-developed case of smallpox in their midst, says the Antelope Herald. Lee Baker, who has been driving stage for Gus Hixson, is the unfortunate victim. As soon as the disease was discovered here, the city authorities took hold of the matter, and every precaution is being taken to prevent any spread of it. All who are known to have come in contact with the disease have been quarantined, and, while there may possibly be a few cases among these, being in quarantine, there will be little danger of further contagion of others.

The city authorities are taking every sanitary precaution, and have erected a pesthouse on the fair grounds, where all smallpox patients will be kept until danger of contagion has passed. The citizens of the town are lending every assistance, and fumigation, vaccination, sanitation and preventives have been the order of the week.

Precautions at Fossil.

Smallpox is prevalent in various parts of Eastern Oregon, cases being reported from Shaniko and Antelope, says the Fossil Journal. One man died from the disease at Shaniko. Judge Bradshaw, District Attorney Menefee and Attorney H. S. Wilson, of The Dalles, were exposed to the disease at Condon without knowing it, and have since had themselves vaccinated. It is possible that, on account of the smallpox along the road, the Judge may dispense with the Spring term of Circuit Court in Fossil.

There is no smallpox in Condon, the report to that effect having grown from the fact that O. Kinersly, who was at Shaniko when the disease broke out, was at Condon during Circuit Court, felt himself taking sick, and struck out for his home in The Dalles, where he is now ill with smallpox.

At Cleveland, Wash.

CLEVELAND, Wash., April 14.—(Special.)—Several new cases of smallpox have developed here during the present week, and it is feared several more cases may appear before it can be entirely suppressed by strict quarantine regulations.

Life Lost in Mine Fire.

RENO, Nev., April 14.—A fire destroyed the shafthouse of the Pyramid Lake Mining & Milling Company's property at Pyramid last night, resulting in the loss of one life, and probably two, and damage to the company of about $1000. The cause of the catastrophe is as yet unknown.

Two workmen named Johnson and Short are missing, and the charred and unrecognizable remains of one man have been found.

SCHOOL LAND SELLS HIGH.

Sealed Bids Prove a Good Thing for the State.

SALEM, April 14.—(Special.)—The highest price ever paid for school land in Oregon was paid today, when W. J. and Finlay Morrison paid $14.27 11-32 per acre for 640 acres in township 15 south, range 1 east, in Linn County. This land was sold to the highest bidder, all bids being submitted under seal and accompanied by a check for one-fifth of the purchase price. The ordinary price for school land is $1.25 per acre, but, under a rule of the board, all newly surveyed sections in Western Oregon are sold to the highest bidder. The school fund profited to the amount of over $13 an acre by the method of making the sale. The total amount paid was $9567.50. At the usual price, the land would have brought but $800, so that the gain was $8767.50. The cost of advertising was less than $40.

Quite a crowd of timber land agents were gathered in the Governor's consultation-room today when the Land Board met to open the bids. The land had been cruised by many, and probably all of them, and they knew the land had a good stand of timber. It is located in the southern part of Linn County, near the headwaters of the Callapooia River. That the bidding was genuine, and that one bidder had not bought off the others, was evident from the disappointment pictured on the faces of those whose bids were too low.

The bids ran from $5 an acre to the price at which the land was sold. One of the best-known timber men in the state says the land is now worth in the market about $9 an acre, but he thinks the buyer has a good investment even at the high price paid.

The second highest bid was made by a representative of H. G. McKinley, at $8.81. His company owns 15,000 acres of land in that vicinity.

The board also sold three-quarters of section 36, in the same township. J. W. Shumate bought the north half at $3.55 per acre, and M. Stenshausen bought the north half of the south half at $1.30 per acre. There were no bids for the south half of the south half of the section. On the 160 acres sold to Stenshausen, the board realized an advance of 5 cents per acre, and, with the 320 acres sold to Shumate, the advance was $2.30 above the usual price.

This is the second time the State Land Board has sold school land to the highest bidder, after advertisement, and in both instances a good profit has been made by that mode of procedure. Next week bids will be opened for the purchase of another tract of newly surveyed land.

The state has made a claim to some 90,000 acres of what is alleged to be swamp land in the vicinity of Klamath Lake, and, if this should finally be secured, it is probable that the State Land Board will sell it to the highest bidder, as in the case of the newly surveyed school land. It is said that some of the swamp land is worth from $5 to $10 and even more per acre.

Fight on Union Label on Text-Books.

HELENA, Mont., April 14.—The first victory has been won by the Eastern book-publishing firms who are trying to knock out the union label on the text-books printed for use in this state. In the Supreme Court this morning the application made yesterday to have declared unconstitutional that part of the law calling for the union label on the books was heard and an order was made directing the members of the text-book committee to show cause April 23 why it should not be enjoined from opening bids on the third Monday in June, as it has been expecting to do.

The point is made by the applicant for the injunction that all printers are not given a fair show if the label part of the law holds.

No Jury Yet in Kelley Trial.

BUTTE, Mont., April 14.—The case of J. W. Kelley, charged with the murder of Dr. Henry Cayley, went to trial in Judge McClernan's court this morning. It opened a little after 10 o'clock, and at 11:30 the regular jury panel was exhausted and the trial was continued to 10 o'clock next Friday morning. Judge McClernan issued a new venire for 150 jurymen, returnable at the time named.

PROMINENT OREGON STUDENT DIES AT PHOENIX, ARIZ.

Charles A. Redmond, of McMinnville.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 14.—(Special.)—Charles A. Redmond, professor of economics and history at the Ashland, Or., Normal School, died here this morning of tuberculosis. He had been ill for five months, and was brought here early in March, in the hope that the change would benefit him. The remains will be conveyed to McMinnville, Or., for burial.

(Charles A. Redmond was one of the best-known young men in Oregon, and leaves a wide circle of friends to mourn his loss. He was born in Yamhill County, July 24, 1876, and was a son of John Redmond, a prominent citizen of McMinnville. After a course at Pacific College, Mr. Redmond entered the University of Oregon, from which institution he was graduated with highest honors last year. He was a leader in athletics and other student enterprises, and his classroom work was of a high order. Soon after his graduation, he was elected to the chair of economics and history at the Ashland Normal School, but owing to ill health, discontinued his work shortly after Thanksgiving. His brother, Captain William Redmond, resides in this city.)

CELEBRATED HER 89TH BIRTHDAY.

Mrs. Hannah Palmer.

LA GRANDE, Or., April 13.—(Special.)—Mrs. Hannah Palmer celebrated her 89th birthday in this city today. She met her friends at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Grandy, and many callers came in during the day to tender congratulations and good wishes.

Mrs. Palmer was born in Delaware County, Pa. She married R. H. Palmer at the age of 20 and in 1865 they crossed the plains to Oregon. They settled in Grand Ronde Valley and have lived here ever since. Mr. and Mrs. Palmer lived 65 years in wedlock, Mr. Palmer dying two years since.

Mrs. Palmer has many unique memories, among them being a ride on the first train of cars in the United States and of shaking hands with LaFayette. Mrs. Palmer retains all her faculties, not being obliged to use glasses.

GRANGE WORK IN YAMHILL

NATIONAL MASTER JONES ASSISTS IN ORGANIZATION.

Spends a Week in This County—Other Points Visited and to Be Visited on the Coast.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., April 14.—A week's work in old Yamhill by Hon. Aaron Jones, National master; B. G. Leedy, state master, and in which I had a pleasant part, has given the Grange work a wonderful impetus. The evening of Tuesday, the 7th inst. the National master addressed the citizens of this city. Wednesday evening, the 8th inst., he met the people of Dayton and vicinity, and after his address a Grange of nearly 40 members was organized, the first in this country in many years. Thursday, the 9th inst., he delivered an address at North Yamhill; then Friday night, the 10th inst., at Newburg, and Saturday evening, the 11th inst., organized a Grange at that place that has a list of 39 charter members.

From this point State Master Leedy returned home. Last evening we met with Dayton Grange to complete the charter list, that closed with 161 members, made up of the most influential and progressive farmers in that section, with their families and friends. McMinnville Grange, No. 31, one that has stood alone in this county for so long, is awakening to new life and earnestness, and expects soon to have a large accession to its membership.

Other leading points in the county are to be reached as soon as possible, and Granges will no doubt be organized. Such thriving localities, of which Amity, Ballston, Sheridan, North Yamhill and other towns are the center, are yet to take their rightful place in our grand Grange column.

We are apt to forget the mistakes and failures of the past, and in this new century, profiting by past experiences, make an advance that will sweep Oregon and all the Union from ocean to ocean. Let it once be fully known that we purpose not to antagonize any legitimate business, but desire to advance the common weal, desiring to secure a profitable return for our products, and having them reach consumers at the lowest possible cost to them, and prosperity will surely sweep in as never before.

The work in Oregon is to be vigorously pushed. National Master Jones today proceeded by rail to Eugene, where a Grange is to be organized tomorrow, and then the day following the National master will go on to California, in which 20 days are to be spent.

Yamhill County was highly honored by having a man of such Nation-wide reputation as Hon. Aaron Jones take a week off from his National work to assist in organizing subordinate Granges. The week's work will be extensively advertised all over the United States, each Grange organized being specially mentioned, as well as others that will be organized, and all will redound to the glory and upbuilding of our state and this county in particular.

CYRUS H. WALKER, State Deputy.

WOMEN'S CLUB AT JACKSONVILLE.

Will Aid in Promoting the Lewis and Clark Fair.

JACKSONVILLE, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—Mrs. Judge Galloway, representative of the special committee of woman's work of the Lewis and Clark Fair, met with the women of Jacksonville here last night in Native Sons' Hall, for the purpose of organizing a club to act in concert with the central committee in furthering the interests of the Fair. On account of previously arranged society meetings the attendance was not large, though much interest was manifested.

Mrs. Galloway made an instructive and entertaining address, setting forth the aims and objects of organization throughout the state and the great benefits to be derived from a successful Fair. She believes the people of Oregon cannot afford to fail in this their first effort to entertain the public and through a matchless exhibit, which they are abundantly capable of making, advertise the wealth and resources of the state. She said mutual and active co-operation of all interests and industries was necessary to make a showing as would be creditable to the state and leave a lasting impression on the minds of visitors of the great state "where rolls the Oregon." The following ladies were appointed a committee to perfect the organization and enroll members:

Misses Frankie Barnes, Ollie Huffer, Ethel Barber, Mrs. C. K. Williamson, Mrs. Sophia Eckelson, Mrs. Mollie Cameron, Mrs. Elizabeth Briggs. From the strong and influential personality of the committee good, effective work may be expected.

EXHIBIT FROM MISSOURI.

Ex-Governor Geer Says It Will Be a Good One.

SALEM, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—Ex-Governor T. T. Geer returned today from his trip to St. Louis and other Mississippi Valley cities. He returned to Oregon last Thursday, but spent a few days in Astoria, where Mrs. Geer is attending at the bedside of her sick mother. He will return to Astoria tomorrow.

In speaking today of his trip, Governor Geer said that he is confident that Missouri will have a splendid exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Fair—an exhibit that will be all that Oregonians would desire. Already a collection of material is being made for the Missouri State exhibit at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in 1904, and the greater part of the same exhibit will be brought to Oregon in 1905.

Governor Geer says that he found great interest in Oregon, and everywhere he went people were eager for information regarding this country. Many told him that they had long a desire to see this state and that they would try to make the Lewis and Clark Exposition the occasion of a visit to this part of the country. He believes that the attendance at the Fair from the Eastern Sates will be large for the reason that so many people want to see this state anyway and will come at that time on account of the added attraction.

UNDER PROMISE OF MARRIAGE.

Orphan Is Seduced by a Married Man.

PENDLETON, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—W. W. Gardner was today bound over to the Circuit Court in the sum of $500 bonds on the charge of seduction, the complaining witness being Amy Hollett, a girl 17 years of age, who became a mother on the 12th of last March. She was not 17 years of age until February this year.

Gardner gives his age as 27 years. He is a married man and has a wife and two children, the eldest a boy of 11 years. He does not deny the charge and his only defense is that he thought the girl was more than 17 years old. The girl is an orphan, her parents having died several years ago, since which time she has lived with a married sister, Mrs. Mae Montgomery, the wife of a prominent rancher of the Cold Springs country. The man in his testimony said that he had been engaged to the girl for a year before committing the act and that he had never told her he was a married man.

Since the child was born Gardner has filed a suit for a divorce from his wife, but the petition has not as yet been granted. He attempted to buy the girl with money, which was refused. The penitentiary stares Gardener in the face, as he could not marry the girl until six months after a divorce had been granted from his present wife.

Improvement of Eugene Postoffice.

EUGENE, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—The matter of improvements in the Eugene Postoffice is now the occasion of much interest to the people of Eugene. A postal inspector has been through here and has reported that the old boxes and furniture, although in fairly good condition, are not in keeping with the town and the business of the office, and that something better must be provided.

Bids were presented a short time ago for leasing premises equipped in first-class style, and this will include an investment of several thousand dollars by the owners of the property in fittings.

Erection of Large Shingle Mill.

ST. HELENS, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—Fluhrer Bros., shingle manufacturers at Mayger, are erecting a new mill at that place on the water front. It will have a capacity of 50,000 feet per day. The Fluhrers have made a specialty of red cedar shingles for many years past, and received diplomas and first awards at the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition, the Pan-American and Charleston Expositions.

William M. Fluhrer, who is superintendent at Eccles & Co.'s large shingle mill at Ingles, stated that he was across the river in Cowlitz County looking for shingleweavers, but found that they were all on a strike.

To Increase University Library.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, April 14.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the junior class, held this morning, a student loan fund of $100 was established. The interest received from this loan fund will be used to collect Oregon literature and history, and the collection is to be dedicated to the university library in memory of the class of '04.

The university library has also recently received as a gift from John S. Pierson, of New York, 34 recently published books of travel, biography and history, chosen for their connection with foreign missions.

Nomination Certificate Filed.

SALEM, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—Secretary of State Dunbar has received and filed the certificates of nomination of two candidates for Congress. They are the certificates of W. P. Elmore, the Prohibition nominee, and A. E. Reames, the Democratic nominee. Certificates may be filed at any time up to ten days prior to election, but, in order to facilitate the printing of ballots, they should be filed at once.

Settlers for Wallowa County.

LA GRANDE, Or., April 14.—A party of immigrants, numbering 60 men, women and children, arrived Saturday night from Hinton, W. Va., and will locate in this vicinity. Many will go to Elgin and perhaps to Wallowa County, where already many from their state are located. They are all in search of Government land that can be homesteaded.

Walla Walla Land Receipts.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 14.—The report of the United States Land Office in Walla Walla for the quarter ended March 31, 1903, just made public, shows that 79,548.53 acres of land of all descriptions were filed upon in Walla Walla District. Total receipts for the quarter were $32,358.65.

Outing of Mazamas.

EUGENE, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—The plan for the outing of the Mazamas from Eugene to the Three Sisters during the coming Summer seems to have received a check on account of the cost of transportation by wagon from this point as shown by bids received, but it is believed that arrangements can be made that will be satisfactory to the society.

Idaho Men Looking for Farms.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—Messrs. Ireton and Marsh, of Boise, are visiting Mrs. B. F. Fuller, of this place. These gentlemen have just sold a 700-acre farm on the Peet River for $45,000, and are now looking for a place to locate. They are looking over some of the large farms here.

At Freezing Near Noon Time.

PILOT ROCK, Or., April 17.—(Special.)—Orchardists fear a total loss of fruit in this section, due to a heavy frost which visited this part of the county on Saturday night last. At 11 o'clock Sunday the thermometer stood at freezing under a cloudless sky and a bright sunshine.

Lumber Dropped Into the Bay.

TILLAMOOK, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—Part of the dock of the Truckee Lumber Company's sawmill at Hobsonville collapsed and 60,000 feet of dressed lumber went into the bay with it. A gang of men were put to work and saved the lumber.

Relics Owned by Elma Citizens.

ELMA, Wash., April 14.—(Special.)—William Booth has in his possession a tiny wooden cup carved from the historic Charter Oak. This tree blew down in 1859, and was cut into small cups and sold as souvenirs. Charles McDonald has a powder-horn picked up by his great-grandfather on the field of Waterloo.

Miss Alice Bailey, of Atlanta, Ga., tells how she was permanently cured of inflammation of the ovaries, escaped surgeon's knife, by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"I had suffered for three years with terrible pains at the time of menstruation, and did not know what the trouble was until the doctor pronounced it inflammation of the ovaries, and proposed an operation.

"I felt so weak and sick that I felt sure that I could not survive the ordeal. The following week I read an advertisement in the paper of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound in such an emergency, and so I decided to try it. Great was my joy to find that I actually improved after taking two bottles, and in the end I was cured by it. I had gained eighteen pounds and was in excellent health." — MISS ALICE BAILEY, 50 North Boulevard, Atlanta, Ga. — *$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.*

The symptoms of inflammation and disease of the ovaries are a dull throbbing pain, accompanied by a sense of tenderness and heat low down in the side, with occasional shooting pains. The region of pain sometimes shows some swelling.

Death of Mrs. Mahala Nickelsen.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., April 14.—Friday evening at 9 o'clock, Mrs. Mahala Nickelson, a pioneer woman of '54, expired as a result of a severe attack of la grippe and heart trouble, aged 82 years, 2 months and 29 days. She had been married three times, and was the mother of 11 children, three of whom are living. For 40 years her home had been in this vicinity. Funeral services were conducted at the residence by Rev. W. R. Briscow, and interment made in the Rickreall cemetery.

Prevented Jail Delivery.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., April 14.—The authorities today frustrated an attempt made at a general delivery of prisoners. The ringleaders in the attempt were Smith and Vain, arrested a few days ago on a charge of burglary. They had laid the plans to free all of the prisoners in the place, and kill a guard or two, if necessary, in order to get away, but at the last minute the officers became aware of the plot and locked the men in separate cells, where they were unable to make a move.

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