

# TOWNS OF SHANIKO AND PRINEVILLE

## Shaniko and Prineville Swept by Smallpox.

### DISEASE IS LIKE CLOCKWORK

**Dr. Woods Hutchinson Returns From Visit to Infected District—Strategic Measures Adopted to Prevent Spread of Malady.**

Smallpox at Shaniko and Prineville has already claimed six victims, and of the ten unfortunates suffering in the pest-house at the present time two are not expected to recover.

Dr. Woods Hutchinson returned from a visit to the infected districts yesterday, after an absence of ten days, and reported that the attending physicians believe they have the malady under control. Dr. Hutchinson states that all the patients in both towns have been removed to isolated pesthouses and the exposed buildings thoroughly fumigated. All the persons in Prineville who have been exposed to the epidemic have been vaccinated, and are subjected to examination for developments of the disease every day. At the order of the Board of Health every person in Shaniko has been vaccinated, and all the other necessary precautions have been taken for the prevention of any further spreading of the disease.

Dr. Hutchinson said: "The origin of the disease has been traced to a man named William Vasvinder, a Pennsylvania Dutchman, who, together with a party of Pennsylvania timber-hunters, was located in the mountains some miles distant from Bend. While in the mountains Vasvinder was taken sick, a rash breaking out upon his face. A physician who accompanied the party from Pennsylvania pronounced the rash to be polioxa, and as this is quite frequently contracted in the Oregon woods, it was not considered as being of special importance. On the following day the party journeyed back to Prineville, where they stopped over night at the Hotel Poindexter. The same night, March 17, Vasvinder was again taken very sick, but on the following morning felt well enough to accompany the party on the two days' stage ride to Shaniko.

Vasvinder remained behind. The party arrived at Shaniko on the evening of March 19, where they secured rooms at the Columbia Southern Hotel for the night. On the following day the party departed for Pennsylvania, but Vasvinder was unable to accompany them, and, together with his uncle, whose name is DeMosa, remained at the Columbia Southern Hotel. The following day, Friday, March 20, the local doctor was called in to attend the sick man, and continued to visit him until on Monday, three days later, he pronounced the case to be smallpox and caused the hotel to be placed under quarantine. Up to this time nothing had been said about smallpox, nor had it been suspected, and the landlady, as well as the chambermaid, waitress, porter, and, in fact, all the employees at the hotel, who had brought little delicacies and read to the sick man from time to time, had been exposed to the disease.

On the following day a house was secured and the patient removed in order to check as much as possible the contagion that would result if he were allowed to remain at the hotel. A malignant type of the disease, which is known in the little pesthouse, which resulted in Vasvinder's death.

On April 3 the second case developed, John Morgan, a stage driver, being stricken with the disease. It was supposed that Morgan contracted the disease by sleeping in the lap robes used by the party on their trip from Prineville to Shaniko, he having used them in making up his bed in the Hotel Poindexter. In spite of the advice of many friends who urged him to be vaccinated, Morgan laughed at their fears and two weeks later paid the penalty with his life.

William Froy, another stage driver, contracted the disease at the same time that Morgan was stricken, but in a milder form. This was undoubtedly owing to the fact that he had been vaccinated some years ago and is now recovering.

The following day J. Sumner, a third stage driver, developed a case of smallpox. All these cases appear to have been contracted by either having been exposed to Vasvinder or by using his blankets in the barn.

**Trouble Commences at Hotel.** The trouble at the hotel commenced on the 24. Miss Keeney, a sister of the landlady; Miss Armstrong, a chambermaid; Miss Morrison, a waitress, and Harry Englin, the porter, all developing cases of the disease. The landlady of the hotel had the patients removed to a private house, where they were isolated from every one, and secured nurses to attend and give every possible comfort to the unfortunate subjects.

On April 6 a little girl, the daughter of one of the waitresses in the hotel, Mrs. Bond by name, was also taken to the private pesthouse with a case of smallpox. A strange coincidence in connection with this is the fact that Mr. Bond, the child's father, is one of the dead at Prineville as a result of the disease, while Mrs. Bond's sister is an inmate of the Portland pesthouse, a subject of the same disease.

Wednesday, April 8, two more cases developed. Two children, a boy and a girl, aged 10 and 11, respectively, developed cases. The boy's name was Moore and he was an employe about the livery stable. The little girl, the boy's sister, was accustomed to playing about the barn with her brother, and climbing in and out of the stables, and both cases are thought to have been contracted from the robes of the stage in which Vasvinder came to Shaniko.

All of these cases undoubtedly originated directly from Vasvinder, and developed shortly after he reached Shaniko.

**Entire Town Quarantined.** Under the direction of Dr. Hutchinson, who was in constant communication with Shaniko by telephone, Dr. Alfred King of Antelope, and Dr. Homer Keeney, of this city, who has gone to Shaniko to attend his sister, have caused the entire town to be placed under quarantine. "I started for Shaniko on Saturday, April 17," said Dr. Hutchinson, "and while on the Columbia Southern train en route to Shaniko discovered a case of smallpox in the person of one of the brakemen on the train, and immediately upon my arrival in Shaniko had the man sent to the pest-house. Fortunately, the man had been breaking on the freight division of the mixed train, and none of the passengers had been exposed."

The day following my arrival in Shaniko I was in attendance at a meeting of the City Board of Health, at which it was decided to compel the entire community to be vaccinated. When the people realized what actual danger they were subjected to, they were only too willing to be vaccinated and over 200 present themselves for vaccination, not one person in the city being allowed to escape the order of the Board of Health.

On Sunday, March 12, I went to Prineville and here I learned that the disease had been as accurate as clockwork. Just 12 days after Vasvinder had passed through Prineville the first case had developed. He had stopped in Prineville two nights before he had gone to Shaniko

# SHORAGE OF CARS

## Lumber Industry in Search of Markets Is Handicapped.

### SHINGLES PILED UP IN EAST

**Chamber of Commerce Is Asked by Mill-Owners to Advise That All Freight Be Sent by Rail, to Get the Cars West.**

The lumber and shingle industries of the Northwest are handicapped in their quest for markets by lack of rail cars. The shingle industry is especially depressed. It labors under such an overplus of product that in Washington mill-owners are prone to shut down their plants and many have already done so.

From the railroad point of view there would be enough cars, but for the over-supply of product, which ties up cars in the East. Both the Northern Pacific and Great Northern have ceased to receive shingles, except when the shipments are billed through to a consumer, and when the cars are to be released as soon as they arrive at their destination. The lines have many cars loaded with shingles on foreign lines in the East. Until

# WIDOW OF AN EX-GOVERNOR VISITS PORTLAND.

Mrs. N. J. Whiteaker, widow of the late Ex-Governor John Whiteaker, who is now visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. H. Whiteaker, at 465 Hall street, was born in Adams, Ill., in 1828. She was married to Hon. John Whiteaker in 1847, and crossed the ocean with him in 1852. She came with her husband to Portland in 1852, and the next year moved to Lane County, where she has lived for 50 years.



Mrs. N. J. Whiteaker.

as compared with the others, and will very likely recover.

"Upon examining DeMosa, after the death of Vasvinder, his nephew, we discovered a new vaccination mark on his arm. He then admitted that both he and Vasvinder had been exposed in Pennsylvania before coming to Oregon, and while Vasvinder has laughed at the idea of being vaccinated, he, DeMosa, had lost no time in securing a doctor to perform the operation, which has undoubtedly saved him his life.

"I am in constant communication with the doctors at Shaniko, who will keep me posted on the developments of the disease, but I think that the precautions we have taken will have a marked effect in checking any further spreading of the disease.

Dr. S. L. Perkins writes the following letter, which is published exactly as received:

**His Vindication.** Shaniko, Wasco County, Oregon, April 17th, 1903. To the Editor of The Morning Oregonian: There has been a very interesting and false report made out of the Morning Oregonian of the 10 & 11th inst, slandering this town in regard to the epidemic now raging. The reports in articles referred to are utterly false & ample evidence of the same is furnished in list of citizens of this town, in the accompanying letter, who is & was one of the attending physicians.

The articles also stated, that the smallpox occurred in Shaniko hotel, which is a mistake. The smallpox was in the Columbia Southern & has not been a case in the Hotel Shaniko.

The case was never announced until it was treated as such by myself. The authorities, took instant steps, as soon as notified, to prevent the spread and stamp out the malady & not a case has broken out, except what came from the first exposure.

The case was in the hotel & I was not called till the 3rd day, after the man was taken into the hotel.

Please publish this in justice to myself & the city authorities.

**"DOWN EAST."** The Beautiful New England Comedy Drama to be Presented Tonight.

The St. Lawrence Dramatic Club will present this evening that charming New England comedy drama, "Down East," in the spacious Assembly Hall, corner Third and Sherman streets. Of the many popular plays presented by this club this is undoubtedly the most successful. The demand for seats has been very heavy, and it is safe to say when the curtain rises tonight the largest crowd that ever gathered in the hall will be there to greet the performers. For intense dramatic acting, thrilling climaxes, uproarious comedy and a story of absorbing romantic interest, "Down East" has few equals. Active rehearsals under the direction of Mrs. Kate Ham have been in process for several weeks, and the performers, who are all artists in the respective roles, have reached a very high degree of proficiency.

Following is the cast: Ezekiel Fletcher.....Joseph Dreiscoll Charles Desmond.....Edward Murphy DeWitt Perkins.....Gerald Kavanaugh Ralph Thorne.....Charles Alphonse Jonas Desmond.....Andrew Cain Will White.....Ed Brennan

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**The New Stock.** Spring Suits Galore From Brownsville Woolen Mills.

Almost the full stock of new suits for Spring and Summer are now being shown at the Woolen Mill Store on Washington street between First and Second. The mill has without doubt made the most attractive patterns this year that it has ever shown, and the prices are no higher than formerly.

# WHY DRAKE RESIGNED.

## Lack of Harmony Rumored in Information Bureau.

It is whispered that Colonel F. V. Drake's resignation as superintendent of the Oregon Information Bureau had impelling motives. Lack of sympathy, or rather surplus, of cross-purposes between him and certain of the trustees is said to be the cause of the Colonel's resignation. Colonel Drake, however, vigorously denies anything of the kind.

"I wasn't forced out," he said yesterday. "I simply resigned so as to be able to devote my attention to other things. No, there wasn't any friction; none whatever. Why should there be? There never has been a greater work undertaken in this country for the money the bureau has at its disposal, and there have never been results so cheaply attained as will be attained by this enterprise. If there have been any mistakes in the administration of the bureau, that far, they have not been in too lavish expenditure of money, but in too close economy."

The trustees also deny that there was any lack of cordiality between them and their superintendent. But beneath all this composure are evidences that somebody's fur has been rubbed the wrong way. Rumor has it that the trouble grew out of the purchase of furniture for the rooms of the bureau at the Depot. This furniture was purchased by the Trustees Manufacturing Company. Drake thought that it didn't meet the terms of the contract and that the manufacturers would be compelled to live up to the agreement. Mr. Beharrell, one of the trustees, however, approved the furniture. The story goes that Drake delivered himself in strong English and that he said it would be to the trustees, however, approved the furniture. The story goes that Drake delivered himself in strong English and that he said it would be to the trustees, however, approved the furniture.

# THE PRICE OF THINGS.

**Spokane Newspaper Asks How Much It Costs to Live Here.**

The Spokesman-Review, a Spokane newspaper, asks The Oregonian to furnish a list of prices of the following-named articles in this city, to be laid before an editorial board appointed for the purpose of settling differences that exist between that paper and the printers employed on it. The object is probably to show the difference in the cost of living in two cities. It is rather difficult to name a flat price for "the best" of some commodities, as there are differences of opinion in regard to what is the best, but the following list of prices will be found to be nearly corresponding to those set up after conference with several dealers in each line:

Best grade of flour, per cwt., \$2.70. Pounds of granulated sugar for \$1.16. Best grade of bacon, per pound 30 cents, but for fancy Eastern brands, clove trimmed, some dealers ask 25 cents.

Best grade of cured hams, per pound, 17 cents. The Shermans raisins and English currants, per pound 12 cents.

Blue label catsup, per pint, 25 cents. Best grade of lard, per pound, 15 cents; extra, 17 cents.

Best creamery butter, 30 cents. The price has been fluctuating and is now declining. Mocha and Java coffee, roasted, per pound, 40 cents.

Best breakfast tea is found in many grades from good at 50 cents to extra fine at \$1. Spider-leg tea, same.

Best apples, per box—Good, sound apples can be had for \$1.50, but very choicest, which are very scarce at this season, sell for \$2.50.

Best potatoes are worth 75 cents per cental. Strictly fresh ranch eggs cost 30 cents per dozen, the price of milk for 1903.

How many quarts of milk for \$1? Milk is supplied by milkmen at \$1 per quart for a quart per day, or \$1.50 for a pint per day, delivered. At creameries it can be bought at 6-7-8 cents per quart.

Best port wine steak costs 15 to 20 cents per pound. Lamb chops, 15 cents per pound. Round steak, 12 cents per pound.

Salmon cutlets, 15 cents per pound. Best grade soft coal, Rock Springs, in sacks, delivered in basement, \$5.50 ton; good coal, \$5.00.

For wood, soft haul, \$1.25 per cord; long haul, \$1.50 per cord; oak wood, \$5.00 per cord.

# STUDENTS NOT TO BLAME

**President Quinlan Investigates the University Park Fight.**

President Quinlan, of Columbia University, last evening made the following statement regarding the fight that took place Sunday between two university students and University Park boys: "I have investigated the affair, and I find that the University Park boys were outnumbered twelve to three. Only two university students were involved in the difficulty. It happened in an ordinary street, and not on the sidewalk, and were run into from the rear by a motorcycle. Three students and the riders were thrown. Following an exchange of compliments, the boys began to fight. As only two university boys took part, and these I suspended until they could show by outside testimony that they were not entirely to blame in the matter, I suspended today. I believe your boys did not start the disturbance, whereupon I removed the suspension."

There have been no former difficulties between the students and the University Park boys. The relations between the two are not unfriendly. The University Park boys have the privilege of using the gymnasium, of playing football and ball with the students, and many of the outside boys are planning to enter the university. They have called upon me in regard to the matter of the boys' hurt, to express this feeling."

# TO SELL TAX TITLES.

**Multnomah County Officials Prepare to Enforce State Law.**

County Clerk Fields is sending notices to all delinquent taxpayers, if the address of the person is known, as follows: Rank by express or postoffice money orders. Dear Sir—Below find statement of amount of delinquent taxes due on your property. Multnomah County is considering the question of disposing of its interest in it to individuals. When the county does this you will be at their mercy. The rolls have been thoroughly checked, and there is no question in regard to the correctness of them. The year referred to below is date of sale and county taxes, not city. Rank by express or postoffice money orders. Checks on banks outside of city not accepted. The contemplated sale will be held un-

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## Black Taffeta Silk Sale

(First Floor) Special reductions in Black Taffeta Silks and those contemplating the purchase of this fabric should do so now and avail themselves of the lowest prices. The facts are— 85c qual., 20 ins. wide, 69c.—\$1.25 qual., 36 ins. wide, \$1.07. 90c qual., 22 ins. wide, 76c.—\$1.30 qual., 36 ins. wide, \$1.19. \$1 quality 24 ins. wide, 87c.—\$1.50 qual., 36 ins. wide, \$1.29.

## Splendid Values in Wash Goods Department

Flemish lace striped materials in stripes only, light and medium colorings, special, at, yard ..... 21c White Waistings—This material is 34 inches wide and one of the most desirable weaves being shown this season for shirtwaists, special, yard ..... 32c Printed Muslins Both materials are new and the patterns, large floral designs, are considered very stylish; special, yard ..... 36c Printed Organdies Printed Batiste at 12c and 15c yd—Point de Paris, 20c yard Windsor Pappilon Cloth, 25c yard—See display window Colored Linen Etamine in all leading shades, 50c yard Excellent assortment of Madras Cloths, Oxfords, Cheviots, Gingham, all grades; prices to meet demands of everyone

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Men's strictly all-wool, fast color navy blue serge sack Suits, in single or double-breasted, special for this week ..... \$8.85

Men's extra grade and make in fine fancy worsted Suits—This is our regular \$25 line, special for this week ..... \$21.15

Boys' blue flannel sailor Suits, neat braid trimming, sizes 3 to 9 years, special this week ..... \$1.85

Boys' two-piece Suits, double-breasted coat, pants double seated, double knees, sizes 8 to 15 Young men's Suits, in all-wool, dark mixtures, sizes from 12 to 20 years, special this week ..... \$5.40

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UNDERWEAR—French balbriggan Underwear, fancy striped, reduced from \$2.00 per garment, \$1.68 special at

GOLF SHIRTS—Silk bosom Golf Shirts, full sizes, well made, patterns good, \$1.25 value, special at ..... 98c

HANDKERCHIEFS—Men's white hemstitched Handkerchiefs, large size, regular value 15c, special at ..... 9c

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der a law enacted by the Legislature in 1901, which provides: "On the first Monday after July 1, 1901, the Sheriff of every county in this state in which lands have been heretofore bid in for taxes by such county or any public corporation therein, and to which they have acquired title, as heretofore provided by law, shall proceed to sell such lands to the highest bidder for cash." "On the first Monday in July of each year the Sheriff of every county in this state shall offer for sale in like manner the Sheriff of every county or any public corporation shall have acquired title during the preceding year by virtue of a purchase at tax sales, upon which the period of redemption has expired, and all provisions of this act shall apply in such cases." The statute provides for the making of deeds to purchasers which shall convey title. This law, although passed in 1901, has not heretofore been enforced in Multnomah County. One reason for the non-enforcement of the statute was that the books showed such a large accumulation of delinquent taxes, including the mortgage taxes, which had been litigated for nearly ten years, that it was thought better to try and collect the taxes, and the officials succeeded in collecting a large sum of money. In numerous cases compromises were effected, and there are about 200 petitions of that kind on file which were acted upon and reductions were made for one reason and another, and some have a hearing tomorrow. As told in the full, less penalties, while the law provides could for a certain period be avoided. There is a case commenced in Clackamas County before the Supreme Court wherein the constitutionality of this law will be determined, and if it is held to be good, Multnomah County will sell all the property which it has bid in at tax sales.

PLEADS NOT GUILTY. Man Who Shot at Policeman Barnes Is on Trial. Charles Palmer appeared yesterday before Municipal Judge Hogue charged with shooting at Policeman Barnes, Fifth and Everett streets, early Sunday morning, and entered a plea of not guilty. He will have a hearing tomorrow. As told in the Sunday Oregonian, Barnes was shot at by Palmer, after the latter had raised a disturbance on Everett street, near Fourth. The investigation now reveals that Palmer entered a house occupied by Theresa Dupont and Marie Dupont, and held them up at the point of a revolver, demanding money. On their refusing he nearly beat one of the women into insensibility, and the other woman's cries brought Policeman Barnes to the rescue. Palmer was captured after a hard fight and the police are now looking up his record. Policeman Barnes is now on duty, as the bullet just scarred his face in passing.

TORNADO IN KANSAS. Five Persons Fatally Injured and Two Towns Wrecked. TOPEKA, Kan., April 20.—Word has reached here of a tornado at St. Paul, Neosho County, Saturday night, which destroyed a great amount of property and injured five people, four of whom cannot recover. Mrs. Chamberlain and three members of a family named Longham were killed. It is thought David Chamberlain had bruises of a severe character, and several persons sustained minor injuries. The three-story brick school building was entirely destroyed, and the homes of David Chamberlain, Mr. Longham and Mrs. Melluse were blown away. Many houses were unroofed. The depot platform was carried from the townsite. The tornado jumped a building occasionally, taking a house here and a barn there. The storm lasted five minutes. Near Cherryville all the buildings on the farm of Stanley Foster were demolished. His Grandson Willie the Oregonian yesterday and their 3-year-old child was fatally hurt. The latter suffered a fractured skull.

Packing-House Will Be Rebuilt. TACOMA, April 20.—Colonel C. W. Griggs, president of the Pacific Meat Company, announces that the packing-house burned in Tacoma yesterday will be rebuilt as soon as the insurance is adjusted. The insurance on the plant amounted to \$125,000. No route across the continent offers so many attractions as does the Denver & Rio Grande. Write the Portland Agency, 124 Third street, for illustrated booklets. Be sure of satisfaction for 5c. In Opia cigars, J. D. Sayer, wholesale distributor.