

GREAT RABBIT DRIVE

Ten Thousand Slaughtered on Butter Creek.

SWARM IN THE SAGEBRUSH

Three Miles of Wire Fence is Used, but Four Out of Five Escape From the Meager Number of Beaters.

ECHO, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—Today's rabbit drive at the mouth of Butter Creek was the most successful ever held in Oregon, and it is doubtful if a larger kill was ever made anywhere. Three miles of wire netting had been put up for the drive. Only about 300 people participated in the drive, which started at 11 o'clock, and was all over in about 20 minutes. A large crowd had been expected from Heppner and Pendleton, but the trains were so late that but few came, and they got here too late to be parties in the drive. It was an impossible task to count the rabbits slaughtered, but estimates of the number run from 10,000 to 15,000. Not only was the corral full of rabbits, but along the wings there were hundreds of them, where the drivers had killed them. Two coyotes were also caught in the drive and clubbed to death.

One thousand of the carcasses were brought here to the cannery, that being all that could be taken care of before spoiling. Harry Rogers took 150 of them home to cook up for hog food, and the balance were left to rot upon the ground. The rapid increase in the number of rabbits in this neighborhood is phenomenal. The sagebrush is alive with them and they are becoming very destructive, especially so to the young alfalfa. Drives have been held here every few days to decrease the number, but today's drive was the most successful of all, and on Sunday, January 3, there will be another drive at the same place. As four or five got away today, where one was caught, it is expected that there will be as many killed in the coming drive as there were today.

Mr. Ford, the official photographer for the O. R. & N. was here today and took many views of the drive. He will return to the next drive, at which there will be a larger attendance.

RECEIPTS FROM PUBLIC LANDS

Washington Commissioner's Report Shows an Average of \$50,000.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special).—The receipts of the office of the Commissioner of Public Lands for the quarter just closed show an average of over \$50,000 per month. The quarterly statement just issued is as follows:

Timberland fund—	
Leases—	\$4,000.20
Principal on contracts—	4,057.18
Interest on contracts—	15,916.92
Sales—	6,058.97
Current school fund—	30,480.02
Permanent school fund—	35,058.91
Treasury on school lands—	909.35
Sales of timber—	25,188.73
Sales of land—	15,916.92
Principal on contracts—	47,212.04
Harbor area fund—	542.91
University fund—	13.50
Lease rentals—	33.50
C. B. P. & R. fund—	94.57
Lease rentals—	676.00
Dehydrated timber—	54.00
Lease rentals—	6.25
Interest on contracts—	60.35
General fund—	807.90
Portfolios—	461.00
Capital fund—	1,518.90
Lease rentals—	128.00
Treasury—	2,840.00
Dead—	3,025.00
Normal school—	248.54
Lease rentals—	2,438.00
Sales of timber—	2,687.84
Agricultural College—	322.80
Lease rentals—	1,694.00
Timber sales—	4,147.30
Dead—	35.00
Scientific School—	750.00
Lease rentals—	1,638.50
Principal on contracts—	1,638.50
Sales of timber—	1,638.50
Total receipts for quarter—	\$158,565.95

PROUD OF HIS REGIMENT.

Colonel Huston Says the Nineteenth Is the Best in the United States.

YANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special).—The Nineteenth Infantry was assembled for muster and thorough inspection yesterday. There are about 12 men in the regiment, or one man to every company, over the number previously authorized at the maximum strength. The inspection proved the men to be in excellent condition and fully equipped and drilled for active service. Colonel J. F. Huston, when asked if he believed his regiment to be in condition to enter the field, said:

"I have nothing to say about the regiment except that it is the best regiment in the United States."

While some of the enlisted men are raw recruits, a large number of them have seen service in the Philippines. There were present at the muster an average of about two officers to the company, most of whom have had service in the Philippines and are very competent to perform their duties under the adverse conditions encountered in a tropical climate.

CAPTURED DEER IN THE WATER

Seattle Man and Boat's Crew Are Threatened With Arrest.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special).—A few days ago Architect McManus, of Seattle, and the crew of the tug Fleetwood, while on the trip down the harbor, noticed a deer swimming toward the shore. They chased it for a mile and captured the animal, much exhausted. The men were proud of their success, and brought the animal to this city, turning it over to Dr. Smith of the Aberdeen General Hospital, who has a small menagerie in connection with his institution.

Today County Warden Livermore put in an appearance and declared the men had violated the state game law, which makes their action a flammable offense. Livermore threatens to make arrests.

FRANKLIN MINE IS SOLD.

Larson & Greenough the Purchasers at the Price of \$300,000.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 1.—(Special).—It is reported here that the Franklin mine at Pine has been purchased by Larson & Greenough, owners of the Morning mine at Mullan. The price is said to have been in the neighborhood of \$300,000.

This is a property that has been opened up during the past year. It shows a great amount of ore and is said to be a ton on the plates. A ten-stamp mill has been running on the ore nearly a year.

MURDERED BY THREE BOYS.

Escapes From Reform School Beat Out Man's Brains With Stones.

RIVERSIDE, Cal., Jan. 1.—The mystery surrounding the death of Amel Lewis, whose body was found near Banning on Thanksgiving day, was cleared up today. He was murdered by three boys, according to stories told by one of them, who had escaped from the Whittier Reform School the day previous.

John Schofield, Cornelius Crowley and

TILLAMOOK IS GLOOMY

BAR'S SHOOTING IS DEATH TO LUMBER ENTERPRISE.

Senator Fulton Writes That Prospect for Government Aid at This Time is Not Promising.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—The indications for securing an appropriation in the river and harbor bill for the improvement of Tillamook bar are not very bright, for the reason the committee has decided not to introduce any new projects, owing to the condition of Tillamook bar.

The expert sawmills have had to close down, and likewise the logging camps, and a large sawmill project by some of the large timber-owners had to be abandoned on account of the bar shooting and

since which time he has been engaged in the saloon business here.

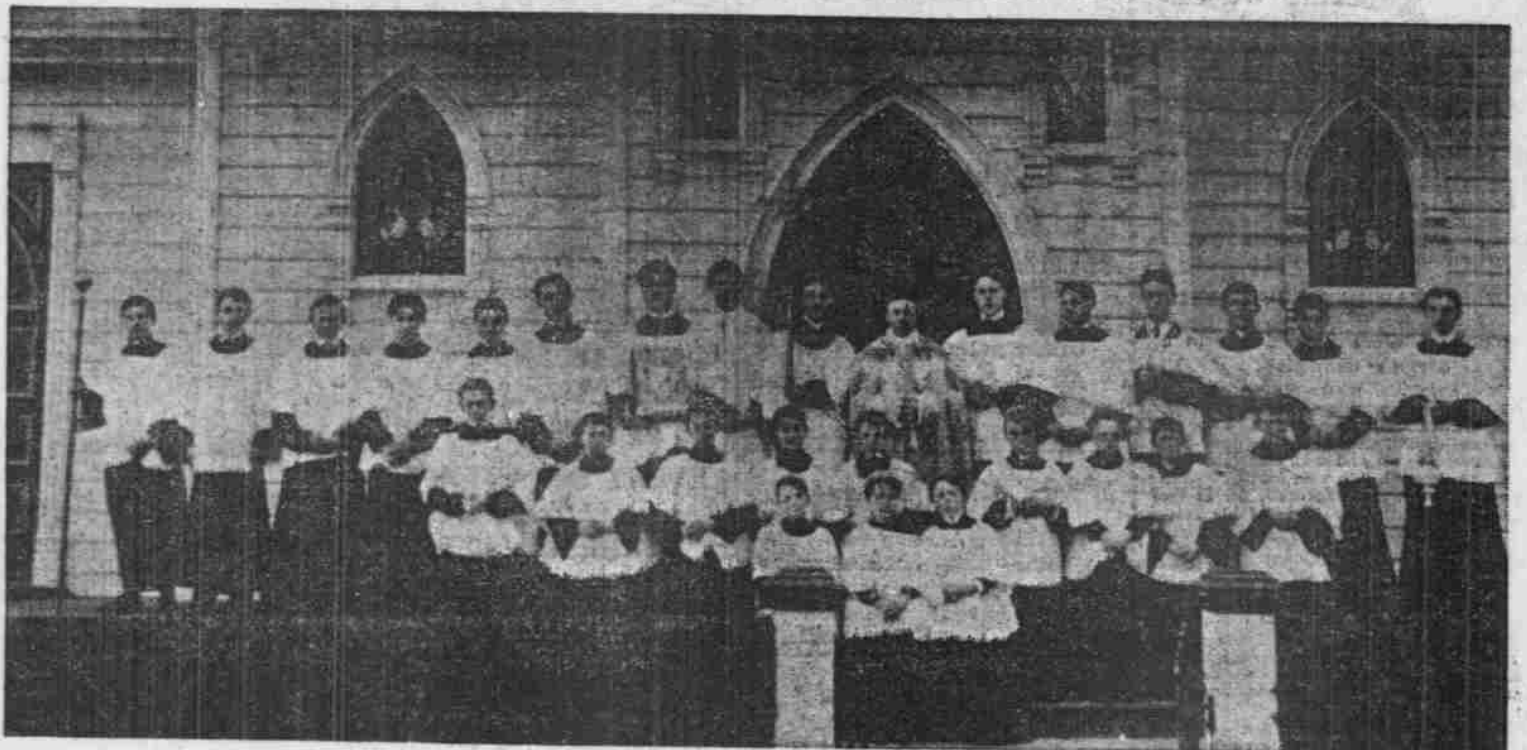
He left Seattle on a boat for Pleasant Beach Wednesday night without leaving word with his family or friends as to where he was going, and on arriving at the hotel informed the landlord that he had troubles here and wanted to get out of the city for a few days. He complained of pain in his head when he retired Thursday night, and when found at 10:30 o'clock this morning had been dead less than an hour.

HATS OFF IN CHURCH.

Women Church-Goers at Baker City Will Give Pastors Clear View.

BAKER CITY, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—A majority of the church-going ladies of this city have determined to inaugurate a reform, beginning with the new year. Consequently they have advised the pastors of the several churches to request all women to remove their hats when they attend divine services next Sunday morning. It is understood that this movement

LARGEST CHURCH CHOIR ON THE PACIFIC COAST



CHOIRSTERS OF THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, ALBANY, OR.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special).—The accompanying picture represents the largest collection of choirsters in any church on the Pacific Coast. It is Rev. Louis Metayer, of the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, of Albany, surrounded by his altar boys, 26 in number. The picture was taken in front of the church, and shows a small section of the church, which is one of the finest Roman Catholic edifices in the state. In it is the only pipe organ in Albany. Since Father Metayer has been in charge of the church, the buildings have been greatly improved, and the grounds transformed into models of taste and beauty. In connection with the church is a convent, which is a boarding and day school conducted by the Benedictine Sisters. This

is largely attended. Father Metayer is quite popular in Albany, and the music and ceremonies at his church, in which the accompanying choirsters take a prominent part, has a justly enviable reputation. The choirsters are, from left to right:

Upper row—Edward Horvay, Edward Shea, Conrad Meyer, Jr., Daniel Sullivan, Frank Horvay, George Chambers, Sam Dolan, Neal V. Murray, William Barrett, Rev. Louis Metayer, Merin P. Zan, Roy Woods, John J. Shea, George Wickham, Charles Sullivan, Harry T. Shea.

Middle row—Lester Custer, Eugene Shea, Albert Kropp, John Stevens, Jr., George Reiland, Marvin Stevens, Joseph Taucher, Philip Redmond.

Lower row—Louis Schults, William Eagles, Jr., Lorris Lindgren.

Captain A. S. Rowan, Nineteenth Infantry, died Wednesday at Atchison, Kan., from cancer of the stomach. A telegram was received by Captain Rowan, who resided at once for that place. Mrs. Rowan had been ill for some time. Although death was not unexpected, the news cast a gloom of sadness over this post. A daughter 11 years of age remains to console the bereaved man.

Captain Rowan is very popular at this place, having distinguished himself during the Philippine War by his successful transportation of General McKim's message to Garcia. If the Nineteenth Infantry is sent to Panama in the near future, Captain Rowan expects to be able to meet it at San Francisco.

Mrs. J. A. Farris. BAKER CITY, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—Mrs. J. A. Farris, aged 65 years, died at the residence of her son, John A. Farris, in this city, yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Farris had been in poor health for some time.

BLEW RELIC TO FRAGMENTS.

Philippine Cannon Could Not Stand New Year's Charge.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—Members of Company A, First Battalion, O. N. G., accidentally blew up a small field piece this morning while saluting the New Year. The small cannon was a Philippine relic and was loaded with too strong a charge of powder. When discharged it blew into a hundred pieces.

Fortunately no one was injured, and the only damage was the breaking of about \$5 worth of glass in the Day & Henderson building.

Crops of California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 1.—The Chronicle's annual is devoted to reviews by leading experts of the state of what has been accomplished during the past year, and estimates of California's ability to maintain 20,000,000 people at the close of this century. It is estimated that the population of San Francisco at that time will be 5,000,000.

The orange crop reached a total of \$2,000,000 of 350 boxes each, against \$4,000,000 cars last year. Wine, 22,000,000 gallons; brandy, 5,700,347 gallons; walnuts, 11,500,000 pounds; almonds, 4,000,000 pounds; beans, 11,500,000 pounds; corn, 3,500,000 bushels; wheat, 9,575,000 bushels; barley, 3,500,000 bushels; fuel oil, 23,000,000 barrels; worth 72 cents a barrel at tidewater; prunes 115,000,000 pounds; peaches, 30,000,000 pounds; apricots, 20,000,000 pounds; raisins, 11,000,000 pounds; canned fruit, 20,000 cases; wool, 25,000,000 pounds; and best sugar, 154,000,000 pounds.

Initiative Petition at Albany.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—A copy of the petition to have a number of questions, most prominent among which is the adoption of a direct primary law, submitted to the people through the initiative and referendum amendment at the next general election in Oregon, has been received in Albany.

As yet nothing has been done toward circulating the petition in Linn County. It is the same petition that was circulated in Portland and Clackamas County, and the signatures secured to those places are attached to the copy sent here.

Goes Back to Morning Edition.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—The morning Astorian, which consolidated with the Daily News four weeks ago and was jointly owned by the News in the afternoon, will resume the morning edition, commencing tomorrow. The change was due to a general demand for a morning paper.

Fine Clay for Making Bricks.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special).—There has been considerable doubt here as to the quality of clay, but a test at Review shows that the best brick can be made from the clay here, which will now be operated here, the machinery having been ordered.

the difficulty of getting steam schooners, the owners being somewhat prejudiced about sending steamers to Tillamook on account of delays and fear of accidents on the bar in getting out with their loads of lumber.

The lumber situation looks gloomy here, the condition of the bar causing a regular stagnation in milling and logging. There are not a few of our citizens who still hope that the Oregon delegation may be successful in getting the project started and the appropriation in this river and harbor bill, and if this is not done it will be a number of years yet before the commerce of Tillamook is able to grow and expand.

A letter has just been received from Senator C. W. Fulton, and although he has promised to do everything he can to get the improvement started, he holds out very little hope for Tillamook unless the committee recedes from its present attitude not to take up new work. The Senator says: "I notice you express great concern lest an appropriation shall not be made by the present Congress for the improvement of the entrance to Tillamook Bay, and urge the delegation to do all in its power to secure such an appropriation. I fully appreciate and sympathize with you in your anxiety to secure such an appropriation. I believe I fully realize its importance, not only to the people of Tillamook, but to the State of Oregon, because the region that will be accommodated by Tillamook Bay, if improved as it should be, is one of the richest and most productive in Oregon."

"No proposed improvement is more deserving of recognition at the hands of Congress than is the desired improvement of Tillamook Bay. I trust I need not say to you that every member of the Oregon delegation will exert himself in the utmost degree to secure a suitable appropriation for that work, but I feel at the same time that I should frankly say to you that the prospect for such an appropriation during the present session is not encouraging. It was in doubt for some weeks whether or not any river and harbor bill would be passed at all, and it was only within the last week that it was determined by the leaders of the House to pass a bill, but they are very insistent that it shall carry only a small amount and provide only for carrying forward work that has already been commenced, and that no new work shall be provided for."

"If that purpose shall be secured to and a sufficient number of votes cannot be secured to overcome it, then the new work in Oregon will have to wait, as well as in all lines. I therefore support the policy of excluding provision for any new work that the Oregon delegation will do all it can to defend any such programme. But we may be powerless to bring about its defeat, and if we shall be, then of course no appropriation for the improvement of the Tillamook harbor can be hoped for at this session."

MAY CUT PRICE OF LOGS.

Astoria Lumber Manufacturers Look for Trouble in the Future.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—Owing to the unprecedented trade conditions in California, the demand for fruit boxes was very brisk, and the local factories are rushed with orders. Reports from California say business was never better in all lines, the fruit trade being particularly good.

As to the lumber business, the belief is expressed locally that Astoria will become involved in the price war with the Southern manufacturers and wages may be reduced here. Millmen also talk of cutting the price of logs. As loggers and employees have strong unions, the effort may result in some trouble.

ADOLPH KRUG FOUND DEAD.

Ex-City Treasurer of Seattle Had Served Three Years.

SEATTLE, Jan. 1.—Adolph Krug, ex-city treasurer of Seattle, who before the expiration of his term of office in 1894 was convicted of embezzling over \$100,000 of the city funds, was found dead in the Pleasant Beach Hotel this morning. Coroner Kellam, of Kitsap County, says heart disease was the cause.

Krug was sentenced, on conviction of his crime, to seven years in the state penitentiary, served three years and was paroled and afterwards pardoned.

is a general one and that a majority of the women who attend the various churches in this city have agreed to comply with the new self-imposed rule.

Aged and infirm women will be exempt from this rule, hence, those who do not remove their hats, it will be assumed, belong to the exempt class. Heretofore it has been practically impossible for the pastors to see the men of their congregation beyond the second row from the front, on account of the big hats which the ladies wore. Now it will be different and some of the gentlemen who have fallen in their attendance at church, will have to put in an appearance because the pastors will be able to see who is present.

CRIPPLE BRUTALLY BEATEN.

Robbers Enter Fred Gale's Cabin and Get but \$32.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—Fred Gale's cabin was entered at 8 o'clock this morning. He was brutally beaten and robbed of \$32. He was found this morning in an unconscious condition, his nose broken and a large bruise on his cheek.

Gale had been running a harness shop and recently sold out and the robbers evidently supposed they would get quite a sum of money. He is a cripple and cannot walk without the assistance of a crutch.

Delinquency Court at La Grande.

LA GRANDE, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—Major J. L. May, chairman of the Third Regiment of the Oregon National Guard, was in the city last night to hold a delinquency court for members of Company L. The most serious charge against the company was that of not attending the encampment last Fall, and a number failed to attend the drills at different times.

Major May was inclined to be very lenient with the boys, and they were let off with a reprimand. A fine will be imposed for future offenses, as they now thoroughly know the new law. Major May complimented the company very highly on their equipment last Fall, and a number in the manual, and said that of the six companies in the state outside of Portland, Company L, of La Grande, is the best.

Salmon From Coast Points.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—Steamers W. H. Harrison and Sut H. Elmore, arriving from the Umpqua River and Alea Bay, brought 2200 cases of salmon for S. Elmore & Co. The firm operated four canneries on Coast streams during the Fall season and packed a total of more than 30,000 cases, worth about \$125,000.

Canneries were operated at Tillamook, Nappa, on Alea Bay and Umpqua River. Salmon brought by the Harrison and Elmore is the last of that packed by this company.

Mrs. Frank Morrill Is Safe.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—The fears of friends of Mrs. Frank Morrill, formerly of this city, were allayed this morning when a message was received by her mother, Mrs. Stroud Long, stating that she was all right. She was in the East, and the name of Mrs. F. A. Morrill, published in the list of victims of the Chicago theater disaster, led to some uneasiness, and a message was sent last night to ascertain if it were she. The answer came this morning that it was not.

Logging on the St. Maries.

ST. MARIES, Idaho, Jan. 1.—(Special).—There are seven big logging camps operating on the headwaters of the St. Maries this winter, and the merchants of this city are doing a rushing business, as nearly all the supplies are purchased here. It is now estimated that the Spring's drive will consist of between 12,000,000 and 15,000,000 feet of saw logs. The drive will start some time in April.

Roseburg Team Too Fast.

ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—The Roseburg High School eleven defeated the Grant's Pass Athletic Club here today at football by a score of 7 to 0. The visitors averaged several pounds heavier per man, but the home eleven was faster and did superior team work.

GUARDSMEN ARE FINED

DELINQUENCY COURT AT BAKER CITY UNDER NEW LAW.

Sums Run From \$1 to \$3 With a Warning That in the Future They Will Be Higher.

BAKER CITY, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—The first delinquency court to convene in this city under the new militia law, met at the Armory in this city last evening.

About 30 of the soldier boys were arraigned before the court, which was presided over by Major J. L. May, of the Third Regiment. None of the victims escaped. The charges were failure to attend drill, loss of company property, disobedience of orders, etc. They were all fined in sums ranging from \$1 to \$3, which the boys promptly paid.

Major May said that in view of the fact that this was the first time the court had convened and the law being a new one, the penalties imposed would be light, but he warned the young soldiers not to expect to get off so easily should it be their misfortune to come before the court again.

Astoria Saloon Robbed.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—At an early hour this morning someone broke into William Beck's saloon. About \$5 was taken from the cash drawer and a slot machine was also robbed. Nothing else was disturbed. There is no clue as to the robber.

Aberdeen Principal Resigns.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special).—Professor Barton, principal of the High School, and assistant superintendent of schools, has resigned.

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Easy Vegetable Soup

Two teaspoonsfuls Armour's Extract of Beef,
1 quart of water, 3 tablespoonfuls tomatoes,
1 cup carrots, 1/2 teaspoonful parsley,
1 cup potatoes, 1/2 cup celery, 1/2 cup onion, chopped fine, 1/2 cup rice.
Chop vegetables and add with rice to water with salt; cook until tender (about 30 minutes); then add Extract of Beef, parsley, bay leaf and seasonings. Armour's Tomato Bouillon may be used in place of water. One tablespoonful of Tomato Bouillon to each quart of soup.

Above is taken from one of our "Culinary Wrinkles" (just out) which will be sent postpaid to any address on receipt of a metal cap from jar of Armour's Extract of Beef. ARMOUR & COMPANY, CHICAGO.

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