

REVEL IN PROSPERITY RUSSIAN COLONISTS NUMEROUS IN WHITMAN COUNTY. They Bought Land Which Had Been Abandoned to Squirrels—Hate the Motherland, and Are Americans.

ENDICOTT, Wash., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—It is safe to say that this city and the surrounding country has been taken by the Russians, as hundreds of them have settled here in the past five years. Ten years ago this country produced nothing but squirrels. It was impossible for the American farmers to raise wheat, as the squirrels would get away with it before harvest time. The country was practically abandoned by the Americans when the Russians came over and began settling it. They purchased the land at a very low figure and about that time the squirrels were exterminated by a disease that got among them and the Russians have since raised cash-spring. They raise from 25 to 25 bushels of wheat to the acre, and their land is now considered as productive as any in Whitman County and commands today from \$40 to \$50 an acre.

ANTI-TOXIN SAVES MANY.

Chicago Death Rate Shows Reduction of Sixty-Three Per Cent. CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—Proof that anti-toxin saves hundreds of lives each year in Chicago is offered by the health department in its weekly bulletin. The use of anti-toxin in the treatment of diphtheria was begun by the city nine years ago, and since that time the mortality has been 688, while during the same period before it, 21,888 persons died. The decrease has been 98, or 47 per cent, while the population increased nearly 60,000, or 12 per cent. Considering population, the decrease in deaths is given as 63 per cent.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

Table with columns for Station, Temperature (Maximum, Minimum, Daily), Wind, and Remarks. Includes data for Baker City, Bismarck, Boise, etc.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

During the last 24 hours heavy rains have occurred nearly everywhere in the North Pacific States, and good rains have fallen in Northern California.

WHAT A MOUTH.

You have with several teeth missing, which makes you ashamed to laugh. If you do open your mouth, everybody notices the deficiency and unpleasant comments are made about it when your back is turned. Why not have a bridge made which will look as well as the original teeth and feel just as comfortable? Call and see us if you want the best work performed painlessly.

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HOTEL PERKINS. Fifth and Washington Streets PORTLAND, OREGON. EUROPEAN PLAN. Rooms, \$1.00 to \$3.00 Per Day. First-Class Check Restaurant Connected With Hotel. J. F. DAVIES, Pres. G. O. Davis, Sec. and Treas.

St. Charles Hotel. CO. (INCORPORATED). FRONT AND MORRISON STREETS PORTLAND, OREGON. European Plan—Rooms 50c to \$1.50. First-Class Restaurant in Connection.

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MEETING NOTICES. A. A. S. RITZ—Regular meeting of the National Chapter of the Ritz Hotel, at the Ritz Hotel, at 8 o'clock, on Tuesday, February 16, 1904.

ROOSEVELT REPUBLICAN CLUB—Attention: Roosevelt Club. A meeting of the Sixth Ward Original Roosevelt Republican Club will be held at the club house, 415 Washington street, at 8 o'clock, on Tuesday, February 16, 1904.

REGULAR ROOSEVELT CLUB—Regular meeting of the Regular Roosevelt Club of the Sixth Ward, at the club house, 415 Washington street, at 8 o'clock, on Tuesday, February 16, 1904.

STEPHENSON—Mrs. Margaret Mountain Stephenson, wife of the late James Stephenson, died at the Catholic Hospital, in her 57th year. Funeral notice later.

EDWARD HOLMAN CO., Undertakers and embalmers, have moved to their new building, Third and Salmon. Lady assistant. Telephone No. 267.

A CORNER CHEAP. On Market street, east of Park street. Real estate property for \$3000. F. V. Andrews & Co., Hamilton block.

FOR SALE. A choice building lot on Gibson near 18th street. Price \$2500.00. PARRISH, WATKINS & CO., No. 250 Alder Street.

MORTGAGE LOANS. On Portland real estate at lowest rates. Titles insured. Abstracts furnished. Title Guarantee & Trust Co., 7 Chamber of Commerce.

VIOLET OATS. A coupon in all packages of Violet Cereals for a WHITE BROWN COOK BOOK FREE. ABSTRACTS OF TITLE. Our records are complete and up to date. We furnish abstracts promptly. MORTGAGE LOANS. On Improved Portland Real Estate. SECURITY ABSTRACT & TRUST CO., 214-212 Chamber of Commerce.

MARQUAM GRAND THEATER. W. T. Pangie, Resident Manager. TONIGHT AT 8 O'CLOCK. (Last Time Tomorrow Night.) Edward J. Morgan in THE ETERNAL CITY.

MARQUAM GRAND THEATER. W. T. Pangie, Resident Manager. One Night Only, Thursday, Feb. 15, 1904. THE FAMOUS GORDON HIGHLANDERS BAND. THE KILTIES.

THE BAKER THEATER. Special attraction—All this week Henrietta Cromwell's great success, MISTRESS NELL. First time on Pacific Coast.

ARCADE THEATER. Seventh and Washington. REFINED VAUDEVILLE. 7:30 to 10:30. Sunday, continuous from 2 to 10:30.

FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE. A FINE CHOICE BARGAIN IN FAMOUS BAKER BLOCK.

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SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE. Miscellaneous. ROBER, INDUSTRIOUS SINGLE MAN; seeks inside work of some kind; good penman; acquaintance with office work; best of references. Address C. T. Oregonian.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE. Miscellaneous. WOMAN WANTS SITUATION AS HOUSE-KEEPER in respectable family; general housework and plain cooking. Union 1772.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE. Miscellaneous. DRESSMAKING AND FAMILY SEWING in your home; prices reasonable. Address 24, care Oregonian.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE. Miscellaneous. WANTED—PLAIN SEWING TO DO AT HOME; long work; children's clothing, etc. Phone West 697.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE. Miscellaneous. REFINED THIRTY-YEAR OLD YOUNG WOMAN seeks engagements to care for children afternoons or evenings; prices reasonable; references. A. S. Oregonian.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE. Miscellaneous. ONE SCANDINAVIAN GIRL WANTS POSITION; also housekeeper with child; wife position to help with children. Scandinavian American, 228 1/2, Thos. Main 519.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE. Miscellaneous. SITUATIONS WANTED—HOUSEKEEPER, chambermaid, general housework, etc. chambermaids, waitresses. 290 1/2 Yamhill, Phone Black 281.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE. Miscellaneous. REFINED WIDOW SEEKS ENGAGEMENT to care for children, afternoon or evening; references. Phone West 697.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE. Miscellaneous. WANTED—FIRST-CLASS PIANIST WANTS position, day or night; good sight reader. Address G. B. Oregonian.

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