LIVELY FIGHT IN SECOND DISTRICT

Four Avowed Candidates for Congress Are Already in the Field.

GEORGE S. SHEPHERD ONE

Others Expected to Come Into Race Before the Entries Close—W. R. Ellis Is Now the Probable Favorite.

A lively fight is in progress in the Oregon Second Congressional District, for the Republican primary nomination for Representative. George S. Shepherd, of Portland, member of the City Council, jumped into the contest last week, and there are rumors that a new candidate will appear in Eastern Oregon in a few days, possibly W. T. (Tom) Wright, of Union.

Other candidates are: W. R. Ellis, of Pendleton, who has served two terms in Congress; John L. Rand, of Baker City, State Senator; and W. J. Lachner, of Baker City, member of the State Tax Commission. Another man boomed is J. P. Kavanaugh, of Portland, Deputy City Attorney. Stephen A. Lowell, of Pendleton, aspirant for United States Senator, was talked of for the office until recently, but has withdrawn from the race for Senator, and says he does not wish to go to Washington as a Representative.

Ellis Seems to Lead.

A hard campaign is being waged against Rand by labor elements in Multnomah County, led by the Portland Labor Press, and many persons, for this reason, have thought that this places Ellis in the lead. Lachner has been endeavoring to secure the labor vote, which is opposed to Rand in this county. Should Wright enter the contest, a change of conditions will ensue, probably to the disadvantage of Ellis, for Wright will probably carry Union and Wallowa, and may get a large vote in Umatilla, Ellis' home county. Mr. Wright is now in California.

Mr. Shepherd's primary petition is already in circulation. In his petition he says:

Mr. Shepherd's Platform.

"If I am nominated and elected I will, during my term of office, represent my entire district, regardless of locality or geographical situation, and will advocate the following policies:

"Forty feet of water on the Columbia River bar.

"Amendment of navigation laws so that foreign built vessels which have been purchased and are owned by citizens of the United States may be registered and allowed to engage in coastwise trade under the United States flag.

"Rush the digging of Panama Canal.

"National aid for irrigation in Oregon.

"To demand for Oregon its just share of Philippine trade and transportation.

"Election of Senators by direct vote of the people.

"After my name on the nominating ballot I wish printed the following: 'Make the dirt fly at Panama and save 12,000 miles.'"

Thirty Years in Portland.

Mr. Shepherd is a native of Scotland, having been born at Perthshire in 1867. He came to Portland with his parents in 1878, and attended the Willamette University at Salem.

After graduating from the law department of the University of Oregon, he was admitted to the bar in 1895, and has practiced law in Portland for the past 11 years.

In November, 1903, he shipped as an ordinary seaman, for the purpose of gathering practical information concerning navigation, and doubled Cape Horn and the Cape of Good Hope in a sailing vessel.

He has served as a Councilman since July last.

OPPOSES PERSONAL ATTACKS

Baker City Trades Assembly Calls for Fight on Records.

BAKER CITY, Or., March 4.—Calling on the Portland Labor Press to cease its "slanderous personal attack" on John L. Rand, Republican candidate for Congress in the Second Oregon district, the Baker City Trades Assembly has adopted the following resolution:

"Resolved, that we are strongly opposed to the slanderous personal attack on the character of one of our honored citizens, John L. Rand, published in the Portland Labor Press, believing it to be slanderous and uncalled for, and tending to mislead the people of this district for the benefit of political candidates in other parts of the state.

"Resolved, that we are strongly opposed to slanderous and personal and uncalled-for attack on the good citizens of any district. Labor unions are honorable bodies, represented by honorable people, with the firm intention of dealing with people honorably and demanding the same in return.

"Resolved, that personal attacks have been and are a detriment to the good name of organized labor. We are aware that there are no saints among us, and men must all stand the test of the ballot-box on the political record they have made and not slander any class of people to the detriment of organized labor.

"Resolved, that the Portland Labor Press be requested to cease the slanderous publication against all candidates in this state and oppose them or support them on their past political records, and maintain the good name of organized labor and the principles we have been fighting for so many years—honor, justice and good government."

W. R. Ellis, of Pendleton, candidate for Congress in the Second district, is here today with his brother-in-law, A. A. Roberts, of the La Grande Land Office, and with W. J. Lachner, another candidate, of Baker City, for Congress on the Republican ticket, and James H. Graham, of Baker City, candidate for Congress on the Democratic ticket, are making a canvass of the city together and telling what they will do when nominated.

Both local and National politics are warming up, and even county affairs are becoming exciting.

Some have even asked the question why H. K. Brown, the reform Sheriff of Baker County, is now spending a week in the Willamette Valley campaigning for Governor against other Republican candidates.

PRIMARY LAW IS CONDEMNED

Speakers in People's Forum Denounce Measure Unsparingly.

Charges that the direct primary law is a farce, and that capital, both in the state and without, will be able to influence the elections, were made by speakers at a meeting of the People's Forum, in the Marquam building, last night.

"Statement No. 1" was discussed in all its details by members of the Forum, some contending that the pledges made by candidates could not be kept, and others that the people would have it in their power to see that the politicians lived up to their promises. Difference of opinion as to the meaning of Statement No. 1 existed. Some of the speakers, all of whom spoke informally, contended that its meaning was the election of Senator by popular vote, while others said that the old system of political bossism was behind the movement.

The only agreement that could be reached was that the primary law was a step toward the purification of politics.

One of the speakers, who said that he had just returned from a trip through the Willamette Valley, spoke vehemently on the subject of proposed graft during the elections. He said that interested parties were going through the state spending money lavishly in the interest of party politics. He contended that if either party failed to elect a candidate by a sufficient majority that an independent candidate would be selected by the capitalists of the state and would be elected by boodle.

State Senator Sichel, who was invited to speak, said that he did not believe the law will result as many expect. He also said that he would not vote for any Democratic candidate for United States Senator.

UNITED RAILWAYS PROJECT

PURCHASE OF TERMINAL PROPERTY AND WATER FRONT.

It Is Believed Intention Is to Run Lines Into Washington and Clatsop Counties.

With the ultimate object of pushing an electric road through the northern part of Washington County and penetrating the rich agricultural and dairying sections of Columbia and Clatsop Counties, the United Railways Company has closed a deal whereby it becomes the owner of 300 acres, with 2762 feet of deep-water frontage, comprising the old townsite of Springville, on the west side of the Willamette River opposite St. Johns. The former owners, Dolph, Simon and others, sold the property for $62,000.

The tract will lend itself admirably to terminal and wharf property for the various lines projected by the United Railways Company and is the first piece of water front so far secured by the backers of the syndicate. It has been an open secret all along that lines leaving the city on the north were included in the plans of the United Railways Company as well as the construction of the Forest Grove and Salem roads. Definite routes cannot be learned for the road down the river, as there has not been sufficient time for the engineers of the company to look the ground over carefully, but the rich dairy sections of the Coast counties will be the ones aimed at. Extensions reaching to Tillamook and other points of great productivity are probable while it is known one of the pet plans of the United Railways Company is to establish a beach pleasure resort at some convenient point on the Oregon Coast.

Other acquisitions of water front north of the city are looked for on the part of the United Railways Company, as it is known that organization is in the market for this sort of property.

Other interests are to be reckoned with by the United Railways Company in building down the Willamette on the west side of the river, for the Portland Terminal Company, recently organized by local attorneys, representing outside capital, contemplates the construction of a standard-gauge electric line from Portland down the Willamette and across Cornelius Gap into Washington County and through a rich section of the county, at present served by no transportation facilities, to Cornelius. From that point the further construction of the line has not yet been determined.

Ample capital is said to be behind this project, and although the Portland Development Company, which recently purchased several tracts within the Exposition grounds, is not allied with the Portland Terminal Company, its backers are said to be not unfriendly to the builders of the Cornelius road and it is expected an arrangement will be made whereby the portions of the Exposition site owned by the Development Company will be used for terminals and power-houses for the Cornelius electric line.

J. Thorburn Ross, attorney for the Portland Terminal Company, is at liberty neither to confirm nor deny the foregoing plans of the people he represents. It is known that careful consideration of the route down the river and by way of Cornelius Gap is being given by those projecting the road.

With the United Railways Company in possession of a portion of the Fair grounds which will probably be used for terminals of the Forest Grove road, and the Terminal Company and O. R. & N. owning large holdings along the shores of Guild's Lake, while the Portland & Seattle will pass along the west bank of the Willamette below the city, that part of the suburbs promises to become a network of steam and electric railways, with huge terminals, repair shops and freight depots.

PERSONAL MENTION.

M. L. Holbrook, a Portland business man, has gone to San Francisco on business.

E. Lang, of the firm of Lang & Co., will leave this morning on an extended trip to the East and Europe.

CHICAGO, March 4.—(Special.)—Oregonians registered today as follows:

McCoy—B. B. Sells and wife, David Pulson, Portland; W. S. Rathburn, Salem.

NEW YORK, March 4.—(Special.)—Northwestern people registered today as follows:

From Portland—Miss E. L. Hubbs, at the Park-Avenue; W. J. Wilsey, at the Westminster.

From Everett, Wash.—J. P. Christopher, at the Raleigh.

From Seattle—W. Wilcox, at the Bartholdi; J. E. Ballaine, at the Imperial.

From Tacoma—H. E. Pool and wife, at the Imperial.

From Spokane—A. A. Dunphy, at the Manhattan.

ROME, March 4.—J. Pierpont Morgan arrived here today.

Quite Proficient.

Lippincott's.

Sammy broke suddenly into the parlor one day, and came upon his Aunt Margaret, sitting on Mr. Brown's knee.

The surprised couple hastened to pull wool over the youngster's eyes.

"We are rehearsing for a little play, Sammy," explained Aunt Margaret.

"Yes, Samuel," added Mr. Brown, with a touch of sentiment in his voice; "I am now holding the queen."

"You must be good at it," answered Sammy, as he backed out of the room; "I heard Uncle Jack say that you held four queens last night."

It is no longer necessary to take blue pills to rouse the liver to action. Carter's Little Liver Pills are much better. Don't forget this.

ANNIVERSARY OF IRISH MARTYR

Hibernians Eulogize Name of Robert Emmet Dear to Erin's Sons.

TRIBUTE TO THE PATRIOT

Judge Sears Speaks of the Man Who Gave Up His Life for the Land Which He Loved and Cherished.

Robert Emmet, Irish patriot, student and martyr, was the theme of the annual commemorative celebration under the auspices of the Ancient Order of Hibernians at Arion Hall last evening. The patriot's name, which is dear to the heart of every true Irishman, was lauded in song and eulogy, in almost every number on the programme.

Long before Chairman John Shields announced the first number, every seat in the spacious hall was filled and those who came late were required to stand in the galleries, but so interesting was the theme that every person present remained until the curtain came down on the last act.

The address of the evening was delivered by Judge Alfred F. Sears, Jr., who has been an earnest student of Irish history. Judge Sears' remarks, which evinced thorough knowledge of the conditions prevailing in Ireland during Emmet's time, as well as during later years, were frequently applauded by the audience.

Emmet's Memorable Speech.

Previous to the introduction of the speaker, several literary and musical numbers were rendered appropriate to the occasion. Probably the most interesting of these was the reading of Robert Emmet's memorable speech from the dock during his trial for treason, which was recited from a copy by J. Frank Sinnott. Mr. Sinnott had been called upon at almost the last moment and had not time in which to memorize the long speech of the hero. The reading was frequently applauded, and when the speaker concluded with the memorable injunction of the condemned man to his fellow countrymen, the hearers broke into a storm of approval.

The first number on the programme was a song by Miss Elizabeth Harwass entitled "Killarney," which was exceptionally well rendered and she was called upon for an encore, responding with one of the old-time touching ballads, which also met with enthusiastic approval.

The humorous recitation entitled "Seeking a Husband," by Miss Annie O'Brien, caused considerable merriment among her auditors, and she was required to render "Down by the Rio Grande" as an encore. Miss Catherine Conway's singing of the time-honored Irish melody "The Harp That Once Through Tara's Hall" appealed to the hearts of all, and she met with generous applause.

Judge Sears' Address.

Mr. Sinnott's reading of the last words of the patriot followed, and after a selection by the orchestra, Judge Sears was introduced as the orator of the evening, and his remarks in part were as follows:

"I always feel more at home before an Irish audience than before any other, perhaps because I have been an earnest student of Irish history and have come to sympathize with the oppressed sons of Erin on that account. Had I appeared before an audience 100 years ago, I should have done so with profound pity and sorrow, for it would have been immediately after that grand young hero gave up his life for the cause he deemed just; Robert Emmet, the patriot whom we honor this evening. Robert Emmet was happy in life and happy in death, for was he not enthusiastic in the righteousness of the cause he espoused? His example will bear fruit. It may not come in this era, but Ireland will some day take her place among the nations of the earth. The handwriting is on the wall, and things are shaping themselves toward this end. He could not have foreseen the exact shape in which it may be accomplished, but the seeds planted by this brave young hero will bear fruit, and therefore I say he builded better than he knew. He was styled traitor, but what of our own George Washington? He also was called traitor. High up on the roll of honor, and in no small script, stands out the name of Robert Emmet.

Work of Ireland's Son.

"Ireland is noted for the great service her sons have rendered other countries, for who can point with greater pride than they to the assistance they have rendered this great country of ours, whose obligations to the sons of Erin are beyond compensation. Long before the dawn of modern history Ireland was referred to by the ancients of other climes as a nation of wonderful attainments in arts, education and other qualities prized in those days. During the eighth and ninth centuries the Irish church promulgated decrees with even more vigor and force than did the head of the church at Rome. The Irish have always been a nation of forceful accomplishments, even though they have been subjected by the force of British arms." Judge Sears concluded his eulogy with reference to the land laws of Ireland of today as compared with former times. His remarks met with the heartiest approval.

Songs of Emerald Isle.

Following the orator of the evening came Master Franklin Shea, who sang the ballad, "Oh, Breathe Not His Name," so well that he was encored twice, one of his responses being "My Wild Irish Rose."

Frank Hennessy was in evidence with the pleasing song, "Dear Ireland," and responded to an encore with one of his favorite ditties.

The final song of the entertainment was rendered by T. W. Sullivan, which was followed by "America," rendered by the orchestra, which concluded the programme.

ROBERT EMMET, PATRIOT AND MARTYR.

DIES FROM INJURIES.

Joseph Anton Fatally Injured in Street-Car Collision.

Joseph Anton, a German butcher who had resided in Portland for many years, died at Good Samaritan Hospital yesterday morning as the result of a collision with a street-car Thursday night on Portland Heights. Anton, who was driving along in a wagon, fell to the street when a street-car struck the wagon in the rear. His injuries were not thought to be dangerous at the time. Friday he became worse, and died at the hospital last night. No inquest will be held by the Coroner.

Anton was 45 years of age and leaves a wife and three children. He was a member of Minerva Lodge No. 19, I. O. O. F., which will have charge of the funeral, and of the Sons of Hermann and the Eintracht Verein.

The funeral will be held from Holman's chapel tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Rather Tired of Political Fads.

Weston Leader.

This paper is not so enthusiastic over new departures in politics as it once was. It has grown somewhat pessimistic. It is prepared to doubt whether the initiative and referendum law in Oregon is a wise or useful measure. It believes that the law gives a little bunch of "coreheads" in one locality too much power for mischief. It is even inclined to doubt the law-making ability, or sound knowledge of public measures, possessed by the entire people. It thinks their heart is right, but that their judgment is sometimes entirely wrong.

As to the direct primary law, the Leader is not yet prepared to admit that it is an improvement on the time-honored method of convention nominations. It makes no provision for the declaration of party principles. It is certainly an incentive for the man to seek the office and not the office the man. It has not elevated so far the average standard of the candidate—not so that you could notice it. It will have to be thoroughly tried before it meets with our august approval.

Statement No. 1 binds Democratic Legislators to vote for a Republican for the United States Senate, whether or no, if he is "the people's choice." They have no option. But in the altogether unlikely event that a Democrat will be the popular choice it does not bind Republican solons to support him. Republican candidates for the Legislature are far too discreet to sign this pledge. They prefer to ignore it.

Besides, an intelligent minority has some rights. It is part of "the people." When a Democrat votes for a Democratic Legislator he usually expects that Legislator to vote for a Democrat for the United States Senate, unless it be wise or expedient for him to support a clean Republican in order to break a deadlock.

We're rather tired of political fads, anyway, and at some more convenient season will present our views on this question at greater length.

The highest point to which a human being can ascend without involving injury to health is 16,500 feet.

FIGHT IN THE FIRST

Congressional Candidates Are Swarming in South.

THE VALLEY IS THE PIVOT

Voters of the District Suffering From Effects of Glad-Handitas, and Are Overcome With Political Emotions.

ALBANY, Or., March 4.—(Special.)—For several days Southern Oregon has occupied the attention of Congressional candidates in the First District of Oregon. Most of the time that has been spent away from home, and that easily includes a majority of the time, has been spent in the counties in the extreme southern part of the district. These seem to be the counties in which opinion has not yet crystalized, where lines are not tightly drawn, and it is possible to gather in a few votes.

Both Tooze and Huston have been to Coos Bay, and are now "doing" Southern Oregon in their own interests. The same statement applies to Hawley, if the Coos Bay trip is excluded. That is one of the sections of the district that Hawley has not visited.

The counties in which the several candidates seem to be spending most of their time, and in which no one candidate seems to have things his own way, are well worthy of the attention being bestowed upon them. Lane County, at the head of the Willamette Valley, but usually classed as one of the Southern Oregon counties, is the second largest county in the First Congressional district, figuring upon a basis of the number of Republican votes in the several counties.

By taking an average of the votes cast for Supreme Judge and Congressman in the several counties in the First district during the past three elections, taking an average of the votes cast for each officer, and then an average of the votes cast for the two officers, a tolerably accurate estimate of the Republican vote of each county may be secured. While the estimate is undoubtedly high, and especially so for the primary election, nevertheless it furnishes a basis upon which to figure the relative importance of the Republican vote of each county, and the ratio of votes cast in each county at the primary election will undoubtedly hold good.

Estimate of Republican Vote.

Upon such a basis the Republican vote of the several counties in the First Congressional district has been estimated as follows: Benton, 933; Clackamas, 2,215; Coos, 1,256; Curry, 339; Douglas, 2,093; Jackson, 1,724; Josephine, 924; Klamath, 543; Lake, 484; Lane 2,741; Lincoln, 552; Linn, 1,921; Marion, 3,261; Polk, 1,290; Tillamook, 642; Washington, 1,852; Yamhill, 1586.

It will readily be seen from this that the counties in the extreme southern portion of the district have enough importance in the contest to make them worth striving for. The total Republican vote in the district according to the estimates given above, is 24,282. In the counties of Lane, Jackson, Douglas and Josephine alone, there are cast 7,482 Republican votes, more than one-third of the entire party vote of the Congressional district.

Willamette Valley the Pivot.

The man who can get the bulk of the vote in these counties, added to anything like a respectable following in the Willamette Valley, stands a bright chance of winning the primary fight. This it is that leads the several Congressional candidates to assume their most becoming manner, and with softly modulated voice and a much-practiced handshake approach the citizen of the South. Could any one candidate sweep the counties mentioned and secure the strong following of Binger Hermann, he would land the plum.

Divide the vote of those counties equally between the three candidates, and that is what reports indicate, and the strength of the candidates in the Willamette Valley counties assumes importance. In Marion, the largest Republican voting county in the district, Tooze and Hawley will divide strength. Estimates of friends of both Marion county candidates concede that Huston will secure some following in Marion. Linn County is uncertain, all of the candidates having friends. Clackamas is in the same position, with Tooze and Huston credited with the bulk of the vote. Estimates from Washington, Yamhill and Polk Counties, the "West Side," indicate that Huston will secure a handsome majority in each. This is to be expected, as Huston is the only candidate hailing from that section. Estimates from Benton give Hawley a neat majority, while Lincoln seems to be divided between Hawley and Huston.

Are Infested by Candidates.

Klamath and Lake Counties have been visited by all the candidates, and estimates received from there would indicate that each visitor will secure a number of votes. But these counties are sparsely populated, and the Republican vote is not large. Tillamook County, another one that is hard to reach for campaigning purposes, will favor each of the candidates with some votes, Tooze probably receiving the most.

Coos and Curry Counties, which have been visited by both Tooze and Huston, and which are on the visiting list of Hawley for the near future, have a total of 1616 Republican votes. The latest estimates from there indicate that Huston will have easy sledding in Curry County, while he and Tooze will have a sharp contest in Coos. Whether this condition will be changed after Hawley's visit remains to be seen.

From most of the valley counties in the district estimates have been received from three well-informed men. An average of these estimates, which are based on the total Republican vote given above, places the candidates excitingly near each other in regard to strength, with Huston and Hawley running neck and neck for first place.

Southern Counties May Decide.

With the vote in the valley counties pretty well crystallized, as it seems to be, the result of the campaign in Southern Oregon may possibly decide the controversy. Every candidate has visited every county in the valley, and every candidate has friends working in his behalf in valley counties. The vote here is pretty well lined up, and Lane, Jackson, Douglas and Josephine Counties bid fair to become the battle-ground of the primary campaign. The campaign is the most strenuous Oregon has ever seen prior to the primaries, or convention.

Geographical Location Important.

With the campaign gradually centering in Southern Oregon, the geographical location of the several candidates is being discussed. Much is made of a few miles' difference there is between the location of each candidate, as regards the central and southern portion of the district. As a matter of fact, there is but little to say for any of them in that regard. Hawley, the nearest to the center of the district, is but a few miles south, a short ride on the railroad, from the other candidates. Mr. Tooze and Mr. Huston are something near the same distance from Portland, and Hawley is the distance between Woodburn and Salem, in the same county, further removed than Mr. Tooze.

In connection with these arguments, it is urged that the one who is the nearest to the Second Congressional District has the least interest in the First Congressional District. And again, the fallaciousness of the argument is apparent, for an examination of the taxrolls of Marion and Washington Counties, in which all of the candidates reside, reveals the fact that the interests of the candidates in the First District vary inversely to their distance from the Second District, Huston paying more taxes in the First District than both the other candidates, and Tooze paying several times the amount of taxes paid by Hawley.

Summary of the Situation.

So in the campaign in Southern Oregon the candidates have little to offer in the way of geographical location. They are all removed from the southern part of the district, and must be elected according to their respective merits and qualifications to do effective work at Washington. The work of the candidates in Southern Oregon will be watched with interest by friends in the valley, for the result there will largely determine the result on April 20.

HEARD IN THE ROTUNDAS

Travelers Discuss Various Topics at the Hotels.

"DO you know that there are black Jews?" said Dr. A. S. Isaacs, professor of German in the University of New York and who lectured at the Temple Beth Israel last week, at the Hotel Oregon. "There are Jews that are as black as negroes, and they are to be found in India.

"It seems that years or centuries ago a party of Jews emigrated from Egypt to India. There they intermingled with the Indians until those of Jewish blood who remain in India are wholly black. They still retain the racial characteristics of the Jews, with the exception of their color. When you see them you know at once that they have Jewish blood in them.

"Through all these years they have retained their faith and have their rabbis and their synagogues, the same as we have in this country.

"There are about 80 Chinese Jews that I know of. They originated from a similar source as those in India. They also believe in the Jewish faith.

"New York in many respects is a foreign city. A very large percentage of its population is foreign and the ratio of native-born Americans is becoming smaller each year. This is due to the fact that many of the immigrants who arrive from Europe never go any further than New York when they arrive in this country.

"Then the native-born Americans of New York are narrow-minded, you might say. New York is the whole United States to them and but few of them ever come West to see what a wonderful country this is. When in search of recreation the rich and well-to-do New Yorkers nearly always go to Europe."

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"I DO not believe that Eugene will ever have another epidemic of typhoid fever," said Sate Representative I. H. Bingham, of that city, at the Hotel Portland the other afternoon. "This recent scare has taught us a lesson and we shall take precautions to prevent another epidemic.

"But the typhoid fever we had at Eugene was in an exceptionally light form and there were not more than three or four deaths from that source at the most.

"The new water company is taking steps to furnish us a better water supply. New wells will be sunk and hereafter the water that will be supplied us will undoubtedly be as pure as can be had."

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"PORTLAND merchants have hesitated too long in the establishment of a steamship line to Alaska if they want to begin this season," said John A. Carson, of Salem, at the Perkins Hotel yesterday afternoon. Mr. Carson makes two trips to Alaska every year, and is now on his way to Valdez.

"But if the line were established now it would at least pay expenses until the Fall rush from Alaska to the states begins, and then the line would be very profitable. There is no question but what one or more steamers plying from Portland to Valdez and Seward would pay.

"The rush to Valdez and Seward is almost over. The miners expect to leave Valdez about the middle of March for their prospects, many of which are hundreds of miles inland. They leave before the thaw starts so that they can travel over the snow. With the large amount of supplies they take in it would almost be impossible for them to travel far inland unless the snow was solid.

"They return to Valdez and Seward about the middle of October and then come to the states for a few months. They return to Alaska early in the year so as to get started before the thaw.

"I have talked with the merchants both of Valdez and Seward on the question of Portland establishing a line, and know that they would patronize it liberally if it were established. They are all very friendly to Portland. The service of the vessels which run from Alaska to Seattle is very poor. Portland certainly should put on a steamer by the time the rush in the Fall begins."

Janitors Find Bunch of Checks.

ALBANY, Or., March 3.—(Special.)—A rich find by the janitor at the Linn County Courthouse today removed a load of trouble from the mind of W. D. Porter, a prominent farmer. Mr. Porter was paying his taxes in the Courthouse yesterday, and had in his pockets a number of checks from debtors, aggregating in value about $300. When he had settled his score with the Tax Collector and was leaving the building the checks in some manner were dropped on the floor.

In the evening when Mr. Porter discovered his loss he was much disturbed. Today Janitor Bilyeu handed him the bunch of checks, which had been swept up with the rubbish the evening before, and narrowly averted the furnace.

Wireless telegraphy broke its own record again when the operators at Colon "overheard" the conversation that took place one evening last month between the stations at Manhattan Beach and Pensacola, the total distance covered in the circuit being more than 2000 miles. This record is all the more remarkable when it is remembered that the distance covered by the first trans-Atlantic cable was only 860 miles.

TELLS BY THEIR SLEEP

"I can tell by my little ones' sleep when a cold is coming on" said a mother when speaking of the advance symptoms of colds in children. "They toss about, are restless, their breathing is heavy and there are symptoms of night sweats. The next morning I start with Scott's Emulsion. The chances are that in a day or two they are all over it. Their rest is again peaceful and the breathing normal."

Here's a suggestion for all mothers. Scott's Emulsion always has been almost magical in its action when used as the ounce of prevention. Nothing seems to overcome child weakness quite so effectively and quickly as Scott's Emulsion.

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"IT SAVED MY LIFE"

PRAISE FOR A FAMOUS MEDICINE

Mrs. Willadsen Tells How She Tried Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Just in Time.

Mrs. T. C. Willadsen, of Manning, Iowa, writes to Mrs. Pinkham:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—

"I can truly say that you have saved my life, and I cannot express my gratitude to you in words.

"Before I wrote to you, telling you how I felt, I had doctored for over two years steady and spent lots of money on medicines besides, but it all failed to help me. My monthly periods had ceased and I suffered much pain, with fainting spells, headache, backache and bearing-down pains, and I was so weak I could hardly keep around. As a last resort I decided to write you and try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I am so thankful that I did, for after following your instructions, which you sent me free of all charge, I became regular and in perfect health. Had it not been for you I would be in my grave to-day.

"I sincerely trust that this letter may lead every suffering woman in the country to write you for help as I did."

When women are troubled with irregular or painful periods, weakness, displacement or ulceration of an organ, that bearing-down feeling, inflammation, backache, flatulence, general debility, indigestion or nervous prostration, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once removes such troubles.

No other female medicine in the world has received such widespread and unqualified endorsement. Refuse all substitutes.

For 25 years Mrs. Pinkham, daughter-in-law of Lydia E. Pinkham, has under her direction, and since her decease, been advising sick women free of charge. Address, Lynn, Mass.

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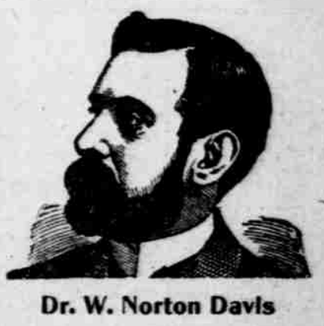

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