Colonel William Crooks, Veteran Railroadman, Dead.

SERVICE A LIFETIME

Commanded Minnesota Regiment During Civil War and Later Be-One of the Builders

Colonel William Crooks, for 10 years assistant to the general manager of the O. R. & N. and the allied Harriman lines in the Pacific Northwest, died at his apartments in the Imperial Hotel at 10:30 clock yesterday morning. Colonel Crooks was a native of the city of New York and was 76 years old. Thursday night the body will be sent to St. Paul, Mlnn., where the family resides, and where funeral services will be held. Arrangements may made to conduct brief services in this city some time tomorrow. The body will be accompanied East by a son, John S. Crooks, an engineer in the employ of the O. R. & N. Company, who resides in this city, and a daughter, Miss Julia M. Crooks, of St. Paul, Minn., who had been with her father for several weeks before

Aside from being a veteran railroader, his service with the railroads of the country dating from 1852, Coloned Crooks was a veteran of the Civil War, having served as Colonel of the Sixth Minneson Regi-ment from 1862 to 1885. Subsequently, during the Sioux Indian outbreak, he was president of the court-martial by which 100 of the insurrectionists were condemned to death. He was largely instrumental in bringing about a revision of the findings of that body so that not more than 40 of the convicted Indians were executed.

Built St. Paul & Pacific.

Clonel Crooks built the first railroad .n Minnesota, being the St. Paul & Pacific, running between St. Paul to St. Anthony, the first II miles of this system being built under his personal direction. He built under his personal direction. He began his active career in 1852 as a topographical engineer with the Morris & Esex road. From 1855 to 1855 he was assistant engineer for the Michigan Southern & Northern Indiana, occupying a similar position with the New York State Canal from 1855 to 1857. He served as assistant engineer for the Minnesotta & Pack.

sistant engineer for the Minnesota & Pacific Railroad from 1857 to 1859.
From 1859 until 1897, when he came to
Portland as assistant to A. L. Mohler,
general manager of the O. R. & N., Colonei Crooks was associated with other railroads and in various capacities as follows: roads and in various capacities as follows: From 1859 to 1862, chief engineer St. Paul rom 1808 to 1896, chief engineer at rain Pacific Raliroad; 1862 to 1865, as Colo-el of a Minnesota regiment with the chief Army; 1865 to 1868, chief agineer St. Paul & Pacific; 1869 to 90, engaged in raliroad contract work; 1890 to 1892, president and chief engineer Wadena & Park Rapids Railroad; 1892 to 1896, chief engineer Minneapolis & 5t. Louis Railroad.

Colonel Crooks was one of the best posted railroad men in the country. His worth to the various interests he served was evidenced by the great services he rendered the O. R. & N. Company, prior to its absorption by Harriman, and to the associated Harriman systems after

Death Came Suddenly.

For years a sufferer from kidney disago, when he contracted a severe cold. Although known to be critically iil, the end came unexpectedly, death overtaking builder and director of railroad enter prises as he was reading a newspaper in his room yesterday.

his room yesterday.

Numerous telegrams from prominent railroad officials throughout the country, including one from Mr. Harriman, attesting the worth of the deceased and expressing sympathy for the bereaved family were received yesterday by General Manager O'Brien. It is a fact not generally known that one of the ploneer engines used by the Northern Pacific Company, named after Colonel Crooks, is still preserved in the carshops of the Hill system at St. Paul as a relic of the early radicoad history of the country. Colonel Crooks was twice married and is

survived by his second wife and four children by his first wife and three by the second. The children are: John S. Crooks, an O. R. & N. engineer, of this city; George Crooks, now in Panama; Ramsey Crooks and Miss Julia M. Crooks, both or St. Paul, Miss Marie, Bernard and Paul Crooks, who with their mother, re-side at St. Paul.

CHICAGO MEN ORGANIZE

Portlanders Who Lived in Illinois Metropolis to Form Club.

Steps were taken recently to organize a Portland-Chicago Club by the follow-ing ex-Chicago residents at a chance meeting on Council Crest: B. I. Dasent, G. F. Martin, W. H. Judson, C. N. Black, Lewis M. Head, Fred Johnston, and C. D.

Pfaler.
G. F. Martin was designated as temporary secretary. Former residents of Chicago now established in Portland are resecretary, G. F. Martin, 46 Couch build-ing, their name, present address, phone number, Chicago connection, and dura-tion of residence in that city. Immedi-ately following the Christmas and New ately following the Christmas and New Year holidays, notice will be sent to all of the responses to attend a meeting, and as charter members formally to organize the proposed Portland-Chicago Club.

No plans for the scope of the club have been formulated, that will be left to the wisdom of the assembled charter members: it was, however, largely the concensus of opinion among the parents. census of opinion among the parents of the movement that the families of the organization might profitably and pleas-antly participate, that a closer acquaintance among ex-Chicago people would be nutually profitable and agreeable, and that a moving force for the civic develop-ment of this city, would be inaugurated, minimum expense for annual dues is

a minimum expense for annual dues is suggested with some provisions for periodical, social and business meetings.

All former Chicago men who are interested in the project are urged to respond as above. The familiar Chicago figure and motto. "I will," combined with some rose design, has been suggested for the symbol of the slub. rose design, has be symbol of the club,

Two class Matches Played.

Two class matches in the billiard tournament at the Multnomah Club were pulled off last night. In class four MacKenzle was defeated by Kerrigan by the score of 55 to 25. Kerrigan's average.

feated Ott by the score of 50 to 37, in a well-played game. The winner's average was 1.61, and that of his opponent 1.23.

GLEE CLUB NEXT SUNDAY

University of Oregon Students to Appear at the Hellig.

The advance seat sale for the annual concert and entertainment of the Uni-Clubs to be given at the Hellig Theater next Sunday night will open tomorrow at OFF THE BAR FOR 32 DAYS

The following is taken from The Capital Journal of Salem for Decem-

The University of Oregon Glee and Man-delin Cleb appeared here last evening at the Grand Theater before a fairly good house. The boxes were reserved for the University of Oregon alumni and the pa-tronesses. All members on the programma were received with hearty applause, and the boys were repeatedly called back.

The Mandolin Club, under the leadership of Robin Nelson, '09, furnished most en-ioyment to a large part of the audience, and their execution of their last number, 'His Honor, the Mayor," would be hard to

A quartet, "Won't That Be Joyful," made a great hit with the audience, and the four

Local Shipping Men Fear for the Castor's Safety.

Vessel Is in Ballast and First Reported Outside on November 16. Was Last Seen Eight Days Ago-News of Waterfront.

Local shipping men fear for the safety of the British bark Castor, which has been off the Columbia River bar for the past 32 days. Whether she has been driven far to the northward or has met a worse fate is not known.

crippled, were sent to the hospital. Their injuries are not considered serious.

COL. ROESSLER TO OPEN BIDS Two Vessels Will Be Built Here for

the Government. Bids for the construction of a sternwheel steamer for use on the Upper Columbia River by the United States Engineers will be opened in the office of Colonel S. W. Roessler at the Cus-

toms-House building, December 26. Specifications were sent out several weeks ago. The vessel will be for service on the Upper Columbia and Snake December 23 bids for the construc-tion of a dredger for service at vari-ous Coast ports will be opened. The dredger will be of an entirely different sort from the craft to be built for the

Upper Columbia. It will be towed from port to port.

Concert at the Seamen's Institute. The weekly concert at the Seamen's Institute, Front' and Flanders streets, will be given this evening under the direction of Mrs. W. A. T. Bushong. Following is the programme: "Minnehaha" (Loring), Lakme Quartet; song, "She Wears a Rose in Her Hair," Mrs. a great hit with the audience, and the four must have spent some time in getting it into the shape they gave it. "A Tragedy in Three Acts," by Mr. Van Dusen, was an odd creation, artistically presented, in which two girls were represented, one by a red rag, and himself the handsoms knight "Anselmo."

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BRITISH BARK CASTOR, WHICH HAS BEEN OFF THE COLUMBIA BAR THIRTY-TWO DAYS.

the associated Harriman systems after the ceiver, can arrange it, the Title Guarantee & Trust Company will be removed from its present quarters, at the corner of Washington and Second streets, to the Marquam building. This move is to be made by Receiver Mears for the purpose of reducing expenses and will be among many others that will soon be among many others. among many others that will soon be made to save every dollar possible for

the bank's creditors. For years a sufferer from kidney dis-ease, the condition of Colonel Crooks did not become alarming until abut six weeks the contracted a severe cold



Colonel William Crooks.

ning, Receiver Mears has been active in collecting accounts due the bank, and has succeeded in taking in over \$5000. He is extremely anxious that all persons having claims against the bank come forward and present them. Mr. Mears has advertised the matter in the newspapers and is anxious that all claims be presented before the expiration of the three months allowed by the Federal Court.

It is Receiver Mears' intention to sell or lease the abstract department of the bank. He will also sell the selection

BLANKET SALE

At the Brownsville Woolen Mill Store

did lot of regular blankets, there are about 290 of slightly damaged blankets known as seconds. Some of these are damaged by a thread having been dropped damaged by a thread having by thread having by the damaged by a thread having by the damaged by a thread having by thread having by the damaged by thread having by the damaged by the damaged by thread having by the damaged by thread having by the damag in weaving or being slightly off color Half price takes any of these blankers.

Fans Feasting on Pennant.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. 17 .- (Special.) -The Northwest League pennant for the Aberdeen team reached here today from San Francisco on the steamer Westerner.

Coast and some terrific gales have A. T. Bushong: accompanist, Mrs. W. been blowing. If she was blown far to the northward it will require several days to work her back to the river. The owners of the Castor are

STEAMER INTELLIGENCE.

Name - From. Date.
Alliance Coos Bay In port
Senator San Francisco In port
Roanoke Los Angeles In port
Breakwater Coos Bay Dec. 19
Arabia Hongkong Dec. 29
Northland San Pedro Dec. 21
Costa Rica San Francisco Dec. 22
Geo. W. Elder.San PedroDec. 24
Johan Poulsen San Francisco, Dec. 28
Nicomedia Hongkong Jan 4
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Senator, Am. steamship (Nopan-

der), with general cargo for San Francisco. Asumbion, Am. steamship (Bridgett), with ballast, for Point Rich-

represented in Portland by Captain Don Campbell, overlooker, who came to Portland for the purpose of taking

the Castor home. Last Winter, during the severest weather of the year, the British bark Iverna came up off the bar in much the same manner as the Castor. She was unable to get in and her appearance and disappearance caused her to be known on the front as the "phantom ship of the Columbia." The Iverna weathered several heavy blows and came in without mishap.

MAKE SURVEY OF THE RAJORE

Ship Is Leaking Slightly and the Cargo Is Damaged.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 17 .- (Special.)-Captain Vesey, Lloyd's surveyor, was in the city today and made a survey of the this port a few days ago in a damaged condition. He found the vessel was leaking at the rate of about a gallon an hou through one of the between-deck ports and that a part of the cargo had been damaged. Just how much of the cargo has been damaged is not known as yet, but a force of men will begin work to-morrow removing as much of the cargo

Kenzie was defeated by Kerrigan by the geore of 55 to 39. Kerrigan's average was 1.18. Tomorrow and Friday positively the last days for discount on East Side gas bills. In the competition in class five Rasch de-

a scene depicting college life, and bringing in the preliminary preparations before the Junior Prom. A few very elever informal numbers were given in this part.

RECEIVER CUTS EXPENSES

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Head reported the Castor outside, She came close up to the lightship and set her signal flags. There was no tug and she stood off, coming up again the following day. Unable to cross in she again stood off and it was not until December 8 that she again made her way up to the bar. For a third time she could not get a tow and stood to the westward. Since that time she has not appeared, nor has she been sighted by any vessel entering here or at Puget Sound.

Just as soon as E. C. Mears, the receiver, can arrange it, the Title Guar-

Plans and specifications for a sternwheel steamer for the Pen d'Oreille Lake and River have been prepared and W. H. Irving, of Newport, Wash., is in Portland for the purpose of re-ceiving bids for the construction of the vessel. The dimensions of the craft will be 133 feet long, 26 feet wide and less than two-feet draft. The craft is to be built here, knocked down and shipped in time to go into commission for the Summer business.

Discharge Ballast Into Lighters.

The British ship Glenelvan, in ballast from Valparaiso, was moored in the stream above the Steel bridge yesterday and her ballast will be discharged into lighters. Permission to anchor at that point was granted Captain Robbins by Harbormaster Speler so that the ship-ping in the port might be rushed and ships not be forced to wait longer than was necessary. As soon as the Glenelvan has finished discharging another vessel will be placed at the anchorage.

Searching for Old Man's Money.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. 17.-(Special.) The sons of the late Michael Goldsmith. who are making a contest of his will which leaves all but \$2 of the estate to the widow, secured the appointment of E. B. Benn as special administrator. Part of the purpose of the appointment is to trace \$10,000 in cash which Goldsmith left in a safety deposit box. So far the administrator has been unable to administrator has been unable to locate

Alliance to Sail Tomorrow.

The steamer Alliance will be lowered from the drydock this morning and will be brought to her berth at the foot of Couch street. Carpenters and crew have been working day and night to get the steamer in readiness to sail tomorrow night. The Alliance was injured while crossing the Coos Bay bar Thanksgiving

Arrivals at Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. 17 .- (Special.) -A fleet of steamers delayed by the storm arrived today. They include the Coronado, Bee, Quinault, Fairoaks, Santa Monica, Santa Barbara, Newburg and

Marine Notes.

The steamship Craigvar will finish loading today and will leave down tomor-

The steamship Strathendrick will fin-sh either today or tomorrow and will proceed at once to sea. The British ship St. Mirren finished yesterday. She will clear today and leave down before the end of the week.

The American bark Homeward Bound. British ship Rajore, which returned to flour laden, for the United Kingdom

Arrivals and Departures.

PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—Arrived—Steamship Roanoke, from San Pedro and way ports; steamship Hanalel, from San Francisco, Salled—Bark Homeward Bound, for the United Kingdom for orders.

Astoria, Or., Dec. 17.—Condition of the har at 5 P. M.—Smooth; cast wind, 14 miles; weather, clear, Arrived at 8:10 and left up at 11:40—Steamer Halalel, from San Francisco, Left up at 8 A. M.—French hark Ville de Mulhouse, Arrived 12:25 and left up at 3 P. M.—Steamer Roanoke, from San Fedro and way ports.

Hamburg, Dec. 17.—Arrived—Blucher, New York,

Northiand, from Portland.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—Sailed—Steamer America Maru, Jap., for Hongkong; schooner Wascalor, Suislaw Biver; schooner Espada, Graye Harbor. Arrived—Steamer Tellowstone, Astoria; steamer M. F. Plant, Coca Bay; steamer Dalsy Freeman, Astoria; Boveric, Chemainus; steamer Buckman, Seattle, steamer Mayfair, Willapa; steamer Washington, Portland; steamer Dalsy Mitchell, Willand. Valparaiso, Dec. 10 .- Salled -- Alexandria, from Hamburg, for San Francisco. Yokobams, Dec. 17.—Arrived—Wangard, from Tacoma and Seattle.

Tides at Astoria Wednesday.

h. Low. ...7.0 feet 0:07 A. M... 2.9 feet ...9.0 feet 6:58 P. M.... 6.0 feet DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—Maximum tempera-ture, 372 degrees; minimum, 34. River read-ing at 8 A. M., 6.9 feet; change in last 24 hours, —1.4 feet. Total rainfall, 5 P. M. to 5 P. M., 6.20 inch; total since September 1, 13.31 inches; normal, 15.96 inches; defi-ciency, 2.65 inches. Total sunshine December 16. 5 hours 18 minutes; possible, 8 hours 39 minutes. Baromoter (reduced to sea level) at 5 P. M., 89.31 inches.

PACIFIC COAST WEATHER.

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WEATHER CONDITIONS.

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A high-pressure area of great magnitude overlies the North Pacific States and the temperatures are everywhere below normal and decidedly so in the inter-mountain sections of the district. Light rain mixed with snow has fallen in the lower portion of the Willamette Valley and light rain is reported in the Sound country and in Southern Oregon, east of the Cascade Mountains fair weather generally prevails aithough at a few places a light full of snow has occurred.

The indications are for generally fair weather in this district Wednesday, with continued low temperatures.

FORECASTS.

FORECASTS. Portland and vicinity—Probably fair:
easterly winds.
Western Oregon—Generally fair and continued coid; easterly winds.
Western Washington—Probably fair, excopt rain near the immediate coast; easterly
winds.

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