

CAMP AT IDITAROD NOW WORKED OUT

Men Idle and Destitute and Seek Only Means of Leaving District.

SPRING RUSH IS SOUGHT

People Say Only Hope Is to Sell Claims to Incomers—Methods Used to Provoke Rush Are Subject of Criticism.

BY CHARLES E. MARSON. IDITAROD CITY, Alaska, Dec. 1.—(Special.)—Conditions in this mining camp, in the way of poverty and idle men, are appalling. There are men here and nearly every one is looking for work. The people are much discouraged here and bitter in their criticism of Seattle newspapers which advertised the "New Eldorado" which has paid on a few claims.

What the people will do this winter has become a serious question. Many believe that the Government will come to their rescue. From reliable men it has been learned that this camp has paid or produced about \$100,000 this season; this includes the Inoko camp, as the miners bring all of their gold here to be shipped from Iditarod, thus swelling the amount of gold shipped from this point. Inoko camp produced 130,000 of the 1900-01 shipped out.

Maus' Report is True.

When General Marion P. Maus, commander of the Department of the Columbia, said last summer, after visiting this camp, that Iditarod is a failure as an Eldorado, he was telling the truth. The only people who can make this camp are those who have something to sell to the new people who will come in in the Spring. There is not a merchant or an entrepreneur who is not trying to sell to get away. As the people have no money, their only salvation is to get a rush of adventures and prospectors from the states, and sell their claims to them.

Men Walk to Escape Camp.

Three hundred men left this city the last part of October to walk to Seward, on the coast, to get on the outside. It is enough to tell here to anyone's eyes to see and hear of the terrible distress there is among the 250 people here. All the stores are well stocked and have been all winter. The merchants, and especially the saloons, have done very little business. Several merchants have told me that they had hired several of their friends and paid expenses to the outside to boom this camp for the Spring rush.

MAD-DOG SCARE UNABATED

Wallowa Man, Bitten, Takes Pasteur Treatment in Portland. WALLOWA, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Wallowa dogs shall be muzzled or imprisoned 48 hours, in the County Jail, on request of the State Veterinarian, owing to the present "mad dog" scare in this county. Every precaution is being taken.

MAN WOULD WED; HALTED

Ridgefield Resident Finds Witness; Can't Make Affidavit. VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Ward M. Ackley, of Ridgefield, desired to marry Miss Florence Edna Rhorer, of Portland, so he came to Vancouver yesterday and had the County Auditor make out a marriage license so he could marry Miss Rhorer. But there was a hitch in the proceedings as the witness could not make full affidavit. The license will be issued later.

OREGON GETS FEDERAL AID

Government to Help Further Experimental Work in Agriculture. OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—The co-operation of the Federal Government in carrying out the plans for the extensive experimental work in agriculture in Oregon is practically assured by advices received today by President Kerr, of the Agricultural College from the United States De-

partment of Agriculture. Letters and telegrams from Dr. Carlton and Samuel Fortier, Chief of the Bureau of Irrigation Investigation, state that the appropriation for the work in Oregon, in all probability, will be passed by Congress. The plan contemplates such an extension of the experimental work now carried on through the Agricultural College as to reach practically every part of the state. In addition to the stations now maintained, it is proposed to establish a station in Harney Valley to experiment with cereals for dry farming, another in Southern Oregon to take up the question of irrigation and cultural problems which have arisen in that portion of the state, and also extensive experiments in the Willamette Valley with irrigation.

BABE'S CUSTODY VEXES

LITTLE IDA WALKER'S CASE MAY BE SETTLED THURSDAY. Writ of Habeas Corpus Issued by Mother Made Returnable This Week Before Judge McMaster. VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Little Ida Walker, 3 years old, for whose body a writ of habeas corpus was served by the mother Friday on the child's grandmother, has caused her immediate relatives an unusual amount of trouble, care and anxiety, during her short career.

CLARK COUNTY FOLK DIE

Tuberculosis and Pneumonia Take Young and Old. VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Hallet McDowell, 17 years old, who has been a pupil in the Washington State School for the Blind, of this city, died at midnight, of tuberculosis. His father, E. W. McDowell, the last of the family, was with his son when he died. The funeral will be held here, tomorrow. Hallet was born in Mansfield, Wash. Greenleaf Barrows, 8, died at a hotel in Camas last night. The body was brought to Vancouver by Constable J. Knapp, who notified a sister, Mrs. Olney Toyman, Mont. Barrows was a retired commission merchant, and came to Clark County a year ago from Belfry, Mont. Daniel L. McDonald, 52 years old, employed by the Twin Falls Logging Company, died at Yacolt last night of pneumonia. The body was brought to Vancouver for burial. McDonald had lived for five years in Yacolt.

GIRL PREFERS MEN'S TOGS

Olympia Damsel Arrested While Hunting Without License. OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—A girl, who shot and hunted for quail along the Northern Pacific Railroad tracks within the city limits of Olympia, clad in male clothing Lenora Blaine, aged 15 years, was surprised by a deputy game warden yesterday and put under arrest, as she could not show a license.

ALBANY'S Total Rainfall 37 Inches.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Albany's total rainfall for 1910 was 37.66 inches. This is a little less than the average annual precipitation but the rain came at opportune times both for the development of crops and so as not to interfere with harvesting. The record of the rainfall by months follows: January, 6.24 inches; February, 6.82 inches; March, 1.83 inches; April, 1.39 inches; May, 1.75 inches; June, 1.19 inches; July, no rainfall; August, .05 inch; September, 1.22 inches; October, 2.64 inches; November, 10.04 inches; December, 2.89 inches.

Captain Lacey Takes Up Duties.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Captain Lacey, 1st Infantry, has been detailed to relieve Major Archibald Campbell, Coast Artillery Corps, who has been ordered to act as Adjutant-General of the Department of Hawaii, with headquarters at Honolulu. Captain Lacey, who is at this post, has already assumed his new duties.

Linn County Hunting Licenses Many

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—More than 500 more hunting licenses were issued in Linn County in 1910 than in any former year since the law requiring permits to hunt went into effect. The number issued here each year is as follows: 1906, 147; 1907, 129; 1908, 147; 1909, 187; 1910, 232. The number of fishing licenses issued in this county in the year just closed was 138. A total of 839 was issued last year, the first year this law was in operation.

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BILL IS STRINGENT

Industrial Insurance Proposed in Washington. The proposed department is to be administered by three commissioners to be named by the collection and disbursement of approximately \$4,000,000 annually, and will do away with practically all liability and accident insurance.

LABORERS ARE PROTECTED

Law Will Provide for Department to Deal With Making Provision for Compensation and Care of Workmen Who are Hurt. OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—The proposed bill abolishing an industrial insurance department provides for compensation and care of workmen injured in hazardous employment, for the creating and disbursement of funds with penalties for the nonobservance of the regulations for the prevention of such injuries and for violation of its provisions, and also abolishes the doctrine of negligence as ground for recovery of damages against employers, asserts and exercises the police power, and deprives the court of jurisdiction of controversies involving such damages.

Klamath Falls Shriners Plan Trip.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—A number of the local Shriners are preparing to go to Ashland January 7, where they will attend the annual ceremonial session of Hilar Temple.

MAUS WRITES OF DOGS

DEPARTMENT OF COLUMBIA COMMANDER DOGS' FRIEND. Animals, Which Have Seen Signal Service in Alaska, Praised by Army General of Vancouver. VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—General Marion P. Maus, Commander of the Department of the Columbia, is a great friend of the dogs used in the signal service in Alaska, and he has caused to be issued a booklet giving the diseases, treatment and numerous facts concerning dogs and their proper care.

HUNDREDS OF MASONS

WITNESS GREAT EVENT. Roseburg Fraternities Install Officers—Binger Hermann Presents Photograph of George Washington Given by a Mount Vernon Lodge. Douglas County as a notable event. Among those installed were the following: Laurei Chapter, No. 51, R. A. M.—Sam S. Johnson, H. P.; J. D. Zuercher, K. G. W. Riddle, S.; A. T. Marshall, C. of H.; J. W. Groves, P. S.; Elmer Carr, E. A. D.; R. H. C. Wood, treasurer; R. L. Gile, secretary; S. A. Phillips, third V.; Richard Stubbs, second V.; F. H. Vinick, first V.; D. B. Bunnell, sentinel; O. P. Cosnow acted as installing officer.

Masonry Hall at Roseburg.

LAUREL LODGE, No. 13, A. F. and A. M.—J. D. Zuercher, W. M.; N. Rice, S. W.; J. W. Groves, J. W.; N. T. Jewett, secretary; F. H. Wilson, Adm.; Grace Elder, Ruth; Mrs. D. E. Shambrook, Esther; Miss J. Parrott, Martha; Mrs. H. E. Hayes, Electa; Mrs. Callaway, warder; C. C. Carline, sentinel; Simon Caro, chaplain; Mrs. Wagonblast, musician; Mrs. S. F. Cawfield, marshal; installing officer, Mrs. George S. Houck; marshal, Mrs. W. W. Wilder.

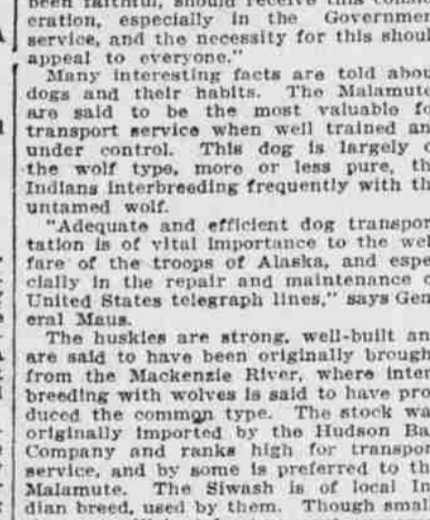
DOG LOOSE TO EXPOSURE

When a dog has distemper and will not eat, eggnog with a little brandy, will often be accepted. Californian Buys Tract of Land. EUGENE, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—After having been in this city ten days Hans T. Christensen, a capitalist of Point Arena, Cal., has become so favorably impressed with the country around here that he purchased 1307 acres of Lane County land Saturday at a price said to be \$60,000. The purchase included the 107-acre Ryan tract adjoining Eugene, 600 acres west of the city and 126 acres on the Siuslaw. The deal is one of the largest that has been closed here for some time. Mr. Christensen will bring his family to Eugene to reside.

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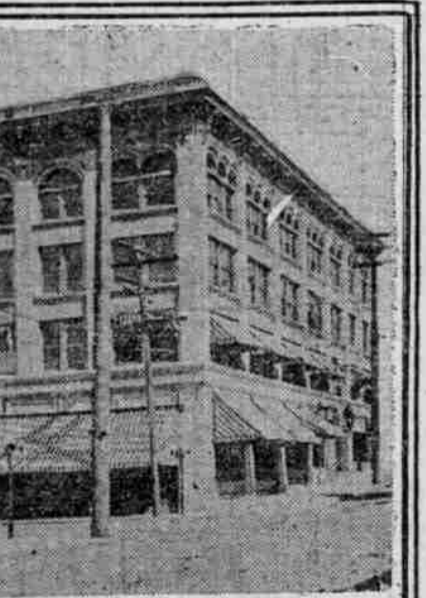
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Masonry Hall at Roseburg.

ROSEBURG, Or., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—A notable event in the history of fraternal orders in Douglas County occurred in Roseburg last night, when Laurel Lodge, No. 13, A. F. and A. M., Laurei Chapter, No. 21, R. A. M., and O. E. S. No. 5, united in installing officers. Ceremonies were conducted in the beautiful Masonic Temple and were witnessed by several hundred members of the lodges, many of whom came from a distance. A feature of the evening was an address delivered by Binger Hermann, who presented the lodges with a photograph of George Washington, the same having been given Mr. Hermann by one of the Mount Vernon Masonic lodges over which General Washington presided. At the conclusion of the installation ceremonies a banquet was served, during which several brief addresses were delivered. The occasion is the first of its kind to be held in the new temple and will go down in fraternal history of Douglas County as a notable event.

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