

PAKING EAST BOAT
Inquiry Received by San Francisco & Portland Companies Regarding Kansas City.

PRICES SHOW BIG ADVANCE
Harbormaster Speer Has Letter Asking if Any Vessels of 4500 Tons Are for Sale—Building in America Quite brisk.

How keen the demand for steamers for all purposes is at present only those actually engaged in shipping realize, but an idea of the need of certain classes of tonnage is conveyed through the receipt of a cablegram from Italy by the San Francisco & Portland Steamship Company, asking if the steamer Kansas City was for sale and at what price.

As a matter of fact the Kansas City was sold by the company to the Union Iron Works, at San Francisco, as no longer suited for the Portland-California service, yet the buyers have not yet received the title papers...

Harbormaster Speer was the recipient of an inquiry yesterday by mail as to whether there were vessels of 4500 tons or laid up here of about 4500 tons that might be purchased.

Efficiency Board Meets
Government Takes Up Questions Relative to Uniform System.

Entrance and clearance of vessels, documents and cargo at the harbor, under conditions and work performed by the custom-house launch H. W. Scott were matters that occupied much of the time yesterday of the general session at the custom-house in its first session here.

BRITISH PASSENGER DECISIONS IN BERLIN
Germans Uphold Destruction of Maria With Cargo of Portland Wheat.

BUYERS HELD UNCERTAIN
Court Maintains There Was No Way of Ascertaining Whether English Government Would Purchase.

LONDON, Aug. 30.—The British Foreign Office tonight issued the following statement: "Judgments recently have been delivered by the German prize court at Hamburg in the case of the British ship Maria and Davalet V. The Maria, a Dutch vessel, was carrying a cargo of wheat from Portland, Or., to Belfast and Dublin."

There were 240 travelers on the flagship Beaver, of the "Big Three" fleet, when she berthed at Almsworth dock shortly before 12 o'clock yesterday, among them being many Portlanders and Oregonians...

NEHALEM BAR IMPROVED
REPRESENTATIVE HAWLEY INSPECTS GOVERNMENT WORK.

NEHALEM, Or., Aug. 30.—(Special.)—Representative Hawley spent Saturday here looking over the harbor and the improvements now in progress by the government to prevent the piling all driven for the south jetty and only two months more of rooking before that project will be completed.

60 DISTRICTS MAY BE 4
Clackamas Hears Proposal to Name Supervisors and Consolidate.

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BOTH POPULAR STUDENTS
Accident Occurs at Swimming Place on Willamette—Cecil Dunn Attempts Rescue—Bodies Are Recovered.

With one struggling heroically to save his companion who had been seized with cramps, two prominent Jefferson High School students were drowned in the Willamette yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock near the Portland Flouring Mills.

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Baker Theater
Thursday Eve., Sept. 2

The Tapping at the Door
An Intensely Interesting Comedy. Drama Founded on Salesmanship, Office Efficiency and a Wife's Devotion.

NATIONAL THEATER
Fritzi Scheff

HOP CROP SATISFACTORY
Picking Starts in Yards Around Independence.

RAIL CURVE TO BE CUT OUT
Surveys Completed for New Line Through Tongue Point.

ALBANY, Or., Aug. 30.—(Special.)—To do away with the sharp curve at Tongue Point, the Hill railroad company has decided to build a new line through the point about half a mile back of the present track.

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