

POSTAL PUSH IS ON

Receipts Eclipse Those of Former Years.

PARCEL CLERKS SWAMPED

Postmaster Myers Expects to Add About 200 Special Assistants to Prevent Congestion in Holiday Shipments.

These busy times for Postoffice Department employees. The postoffice and all its sub-stations have been rushed more than ever this year and Postmaster Myers estimates that he will have to employ as the maximum of extra clerks and carriers approximately 200 men and women.

The parcel post windows are receiving the greatest amount of patronage and the service in that department has been trebled over that of normal times. Other departments have been increased in proportion to the demand and thousands of persons are waited upon daily.

The mail congestion has begun. Owing to the late arrival of mail trains from the East. As it is necessary for mail distribution to be timed to the arrival of mail trains, delays will be expected from now on. Yesterday No. 5, fast mail from the East, was more than 12 hours late, not arriving in the city until 11:30 a. m.

OREGON SITES WANTED

MR. BENSON NEGOTIATES FOR PROPERTY FOR ANNEX.

Owners, However, Have So Far Declined Offer of \$375,000.—Further Efforts May Be Dropped.

Developments of the past few days by no means have changed the decision to erect the proposed seven-story Hotel Benson annex, but there is possibility that the annex may stand on the ground now covered by the Hotel Oregon building instead of on the quarter block immediately opposite the present Hotel Benson.

AUTO MANAGER PROMOTED

R. S. Hurd, of White Company, to Be Coast Sales Manager.

R. S. Hurd, manager of the White Company's Portland branch, has been promoted to the position of Pacific Coast sales manager, with headquarters at the White Company's establishment in San Francisco. Mr. Hurd's territory will include the entire Pacific Coast as well as British Columbia and the Hawaiian Islands.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS

- Births.—To Mr. and Mrs. John M. Flako, 410 Fifth street, December 11, a daughter. To Mr. and Mrs. William Zwick, 1207 Milwaukee, December 11, a daughter. To Mr. and Mrs. Earl A. Hurd, 1770 East Eleventh street, December 12, a daughter. To Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Krantz, 412 Broadway, December 12, a son. To Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Miller, 110 Northrup, December 12, a son. To Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Lewis, 711 East Couch street, December 13, a son. To Mr. and Mrs. George W. Taylor, Lake George, Or., December 13, a daughter. To Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Weller, 381 Fremont street, December 13, a daughter. To Mr. and Mrs. Chester C. Turner, 345 East Forty-third street, December 14, a son. To Mr. and Mrs. William C. Elyman, 255 Hancock avenue, December 14, a daughter. To Mr. and Mrs. George J. Kernan, 870 Northwick street, December 14, a son. To Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Miller, New York apartments, December 11, a son. To Mr. and Mrs. John W. Dwyer, 754 1/2 Michigan avenue, December 11, a daughter.

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MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

Steamer Schedule.

Table with columns: Name, From, Date, To, Agent. Lists various steamers and their routes.

NEW SHIP IS BEING PLANKED

In Three Months Libby, McNeill & Libby Vessel Goes Rapidly.

Three months ago today the Standifer-Clarkson Company laid the keel of a motorship building at the North Portland harbor yard, and with all ceiling and tweendeck work in place and such details a start was made yesterday on the motorship, which his company is building for the Alaska Steamship Company.

Manager Blair in Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—G. E. Blair, of San Francisco, general manager of the San Francisco & Portland Steamship Company, arrived at Seattle today to inspect the steamer Neaham, which his company is chartering for the Alaska Steamship Company.

Marconi Wireless Reports.

- (All positions reported at 8 P. M., Dec. 19, unless otherwise designated.)
Windsor, San Francisco for Bellingham, 12:30 a. m.
Coronado, San Pedro for Aberdeen, 1:30 a. m.
Northern Pacific, Flavel for San Francisco, 2:30 a. m.
Grace Doljar, San Francisco for Vancouver, 2:30 a. m.
City of Seattle, Seattle for Skagway, 3:30 a. m.
Humboldt, Seattle for Skagway, 4:30 a. m.
San Juan, Balboa for San Francisco, 5:30 a. m.
Peru, San Francisco for Balboa, 7:30 a. m.
Colusa, San Francisco for Callao, 7:30 a. m.
Peninsular, San Francisco for Balboa, 7:30 a. m.
Ansonia, San Diego for San Pedro, 8:30 a. m.
Santa Cruz, San Francisco for Chile, 8:30 a. m.
Wilhelmina, San Francisco for Honolulu, 8:30 a. m.
Hyades, Honolulu for San Francisco, 8:30 a. m.
Enterprise, Honolulu for San Francisco, 8:30 a. m.
Atlas, Kahului for San Francisco, 11:30 a. m.
Hohokahi, Honolulu for San Pedro, 12:30 p. m.
Miles from San Francisco at 8 P. M., December 18.
Centra, Chile for San Francisco, 1300 miles west of Balboa at 8 P. M., December 18.
Tokpe, San Francisco for San Francisco, 20 miles from Point Arena at 8 P. M., December 18.
Drake, towing barge 91, Richmond for Seattle, 200 tons of copper ore from Prince William Sound to Anax, 20 miles from San Francisco, 6:30 a. m., December 18.
Baldwin, San Francisco for Coos Bay, 65 miles north of San Francisco, 6:30 a. m., December 18.
L. W. MOODY—Erect one-story frame

LAST HYDE CASE ON

State Seeking Recovery of 37,000 School Acres.

HEARING HELD AT EUGENE

Anaconda Copper Company Made Party to Suit, as Scrip Was Purchased After Alleged Dummy Entries Were Made.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—An echo of the F. A. Hyde land fraud case was heard in the Lane County Court today, when the last of seven suits instituted by the state of Oregon for the recovery of 37,000 acres of school land came up for trial.

The state is seeking to recover 37,000 acres of school land through the use of dummy entries. Land amounting to 47,000 acres obtained by the defendants was included in forest reserves, as all the suits have been tried in different counties.

Billings Labels File

Onontia Demands Salvage for Towing Disabled Schooner.

Assertion Made That Excuse of Sick Sailor Was Used to Escape Paying for Aid.

A libel suit for salvage arising from the rescue November 1 of the five-masted schooner George E. Billings by the tug Onontia has been filed in the United States Court. The complaint sets out that the Billings sailed for Australia on October 15, with a cargo of lumber. South of the Columbia River she began to leak badly. The donkey engine and a gas-lift engine became useless, and it was found impossible to keep the water out of her hold. She signaled for assistance and the United States revenue cutter Manning was sent to find her. It returned to Astoria without her and the Onontia picked her up. It was reported there was a sick sailor on board who needed medical treatment. When the Onontia ran alongside the Billings the captain of the Onontia asked for the sick sailor. The master of the Billings, according to the complaint, refused to give up the sailor but answered that he wished to be towed to port.

Gales Expected on Coast.

Moderate southeast, shifting to southwest, gales are forecast today. The Weather Bureau ordering storm warnings displayed again last night throughout the district. North Head reported at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon that a northwest wind was on there, blowing 30 miles an hour, and at Tatoosh the wind was from the east and registering 26 miles an hour.

Marine Notes.

- To look after the movement of wheat and other freight on Snake River, "Captain" Budd, of the O. W. R. N. fresh water line, was at night for a diversion.
Captain Pillsbury, auditor at San Francisco, is a board of Marine Underwriters.
SAN PEDRO, Dec. 18.—Arrived—Steamer Daisy Matthews, from the Columbia River.
ASTORIA, Dec. 18.—Sailed at 5 P. M., steamer Santiam, for San Pedro. Arrived at 5 and left at 7:10 P. M., steamer Neaham, from San Francisco.
U. S. Naval Radio Report.
TATOOSH, Wash., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Northwest Steel Portland and Portland, 120 miles north of San Francisco 8 P. M., December 18.
Admiral San Antonio, Anxox for Seattle, 165 miles from Seattle, 8 P. M., December 18.
NORTH HEAD, Wash., Dec. 19.—Alameda, Corveta, for Juneau, off Graving Island, 8:30 a. m.
Narrow Point, 8 P. M., December 19.
Marine Notes.
Clearance Straits December 19.
Valdez, 10 miles from San Francisco, 36 miles west of Columbia River.
POINT ARGUELLO, Cal. Dec. 19.—U. S. S. H. I. and H. I. passed Point Arguello, south of the mouth of the Columbia River, 8:30 a. m.
Coos Bay, Dec. 18.—Sailed at 5 P. M., steamer Eureka, for San Francisco.
EUREKA, Cal. Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The tug Golah, towing barge Washougal, for San Francisco, 190 miles north of San Francisco at 8 P. M.
POINT ARGUELLO, Cal. Dec. 19.—Steamer Costa Rica for San Francisco, 420 miles from San Francisco, 8:30 a. m.
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Movements of Vessels.

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BALBOA, Dec. 18.—Arrived—Steamer Baja California from Tacoma for Callao. Arrived at 8:30 a. m. Sailed—Steamer Wearwood, for Norfolk, for Victoria.
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Tom Barbare in New BERTH

O-W. R. & N. Fleet Left to Join Steel Works Force.

Tom Barbare, foreman-carpenter with the O-W. R. & N. water lines, in which service he has been for a number of years, has accepted a similar berth with the Willamette Iron & Steel Works, and his resignation, which is tendered "Captain" Budd, of the railroad fleet.

Four Big Schooners to Be Built.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 19.—George F. Thornley, a ship broker here, today received instructions from East Coast clients whose identity he is not permitted to call for bids for six four-masted schooners, each of 1000 tons net register, for delivery next July.

Pacific Coast Shipping Notes.

- COOS BAY, Or. Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The gas schooner Milre, of Grays Harbor and the tugboat Westley, of the Grays Harbor, where she will ship a cargo of canned salmon for Astoria, are due tomorrow to ship lumber at the Smith mill.
SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The charter of the Alaska Steamship Company steamer Northwestern to the San Francisco & Portland Steamship Company was completed today. The steamer is to be chartered to the Southern company Friday, December 22, and will be returned later than March 1. Terms are private.
Bringing 52 passengers and a light freight cargo, the steamer Admiral Watson arrived at 9 A. M. from Southeastern and Southwestern Alaska via Prince William Sound to Anax.
Bringing a 1200-ton cargo, the steam schooner City arrived from Astoria at 8:30 a. m.
Sailing schedules of the Pacific Steamship Company's steamers Umatilla, Queen, Ad-

FIX this fact ever so firmly in your mind!

REBECO TOOTH PASTE

counteracts "Acid-Mouth," the chief cause of decay.

passed through the city yesterday on his way home from Puget Sound. Though a slight gain of one-tenth of an inch was recorded yesterday in the stage of the Willamette river, it had fallen for two weeks and is less than half above average a low stage for this period.

Captain Rankin's charge, the liner Nose City, is among the carriers due today from California. She got away from San Francisco at 4 o'clock Monday night with a good cargo.

Read The Oregonian Classified Ads.

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