STATE GOLF TITLE PLAY OPENS TODAY

Stars and Near-Stars of Ancient Game Are Gathered at Gearhart.

ADDED ENTRIES NAMED

Mrs. T. B. Curran, of Tacoma, Former Northwest Champion, and J. J. Dempsey, Former Tacoma City Leader, Announced.

TODAY'S PROGRAMME.
10 A. M.—Women's championship, 18 holes, medal play, eight to qualify. Entrance fee, $3.

GEARHART-BY-THE-SEA, Or., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—The day is set for the opening of the Oregon state golf championship tomorrow morning.

At the last moment Mrs. J. A. Dougherty, of Portland, state champion, was called away on a trip through Yellowstone Park. A keen contender in Mrs. T. B. Curran, of Tacoma, arrived today, however, to add zest to the race.

Mrs. Curran is a former Northwest champion. Mrs. Frank E. Fey, Mrs. Gay Lombard, Mrs. C. H. Davis and numerous other top players were out today putting on the finishing touches.

Although the men do not qualify until Wednesday, a representative gathering already is on the scene. Rudolph Wilhelm, Northwest champion, arrived from Portland and played 27 holes, negotiating a 76 in the forenoon. William Gotelli also turned in 76. R. C. F. Astbury has had the best round during the past week, a net 73. J. M. Ford turned in a 37 against Rudy Wilhelm this afternoon. J. J. Dempsey, former Tacoma city champion, will be an entry, it was announced today.

Quite a delegation of Pendleton players are in, among them, W. L. Thompson, Brooke Dickson, Clark Nelson, Dr. W. D. McNary and George Hartman. Mr. and Mrs. George Frost were among the Saturday arrivals.

CAMAS STILL IN LEAD

INTER-CITY LEADERSHIP RETAINED IN CLOSE GAME.

Columbia-Northwest Steel Nine of Balltossers Go Down to Defeat Before Krause.

The Camas balltossers retained their standing at the head of the Inter-City League by winning from the Columbia-Northwest Steel Company nine at Camas yesterday. The papermakers were returned victors 4 to 1.

Zweifel, pitching for the Steelworkers, was in good form, giving only two walks.

Porter Yett, star shortstop of the papermakers, was the hitting star, getting three hits out of five trips.

The score:

Camas—	B	R	H	O	A	Columbia Steel—	B	R	H	O	A
Yett,s	5	0	3	2	2	Phillips,r	3	0	1	0	0
Hutt,2	3	1	1	1	3	Bl'nch'd,s	4	0	1	0	1
G.Ost'sn,r	3	0	0	0	0	Gainer,3	4	0	1	1	1
Blair,1	3	1	2	3	0	Stosa,c	3	0	1	5	0
Duback,c	4	1	1	7	1	Doty,1	3	0	1	10	1
H.Ost'sn,3	3	0	0	0	0	G'ldm'n,2	4	0	0	0	2
Gay,l	4	0	1	9	1	M'Nic'ls,m	4	0	0	2	0
Jinks,m	3	1	0	1	1	Harper,l	3	1	0	4	0
Krause,p	3	0	0	0	5	Zweifel,p	4	1	1	2	3
						Hull,r	3	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	4	8	27	14	Totals	33	1	7	24	8

Camas	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	*—4
Hits	0	1	0	0	2	3	1	1	0—8
Columbia Steel	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0—1
Hits	0	1	0	1	2	1	1	1	0—7

Errors, Yett, Gay, Doty, Goldman, McNichols 2. Struck out, by Krauss 6, Zweifel 8. Bases on balls, off Krause 1, off Zweifel 2. Two-base hits, Blair 2, Duback. Double plays, Jinks to H. Ostenson to Hutt to Gay. Sacrifice hits, Doty, Hutt, G. Ostenson, Gay. Stolen bases, Harper, Hutt, G. Ostenson, Duback, Jinks 2. Hit by pitcher, Shea. Passed ball, Duback. Innings pitched, by Krause 9, Zweifel 9. Runs responsible for, Krause 1, Zweifel 4. Time of game, 1 hour 40 mins. Umpire, Rankin.

Ross Wins Golden Gate Swim.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 12.—Norman Ross, national short distance and 440-yard swimming champion, today showed he was also a distance swimmer when he won from 56 opponents in a seven-eighths mile race, across the Golden Gate here. His time was 21:13 1-5. George Schroth, Sacramento, was second in 23:03.

What Ex-Coasters Did in the Majors Yesterday.

HARRY HEILMANN, ex-Beaver, blanked for the Detroit Tigers.

"Pep" Young, teammate of Heilmann's, stole a base and scored for the Tigers, while Tub Spencer, ex-Vernon Tiger, doubled and singled.

McMullen got two hits for the White Sox and Gandil three. "Swede" Risberg made an error and squeezed over the winning run.

Jack Graney, ex-Beaver, now with Cleveland, doubled and singled.

Ivan Howard, another ex-Beaver, stole a base and scored as a pinch hitter for Cleveland.

Wolter, ex-Angel, singled for the Cubs.

Schmidt doubled and singled.

Chuck Ward, ex-Beaver, failed as a pinch hitter for Pittsburg.

Hal Chase singled and scored two runs for Cincinnati.

PATHFINDER DUE TO START

Defense League Car Scheduled to Leave Marshfield Today.

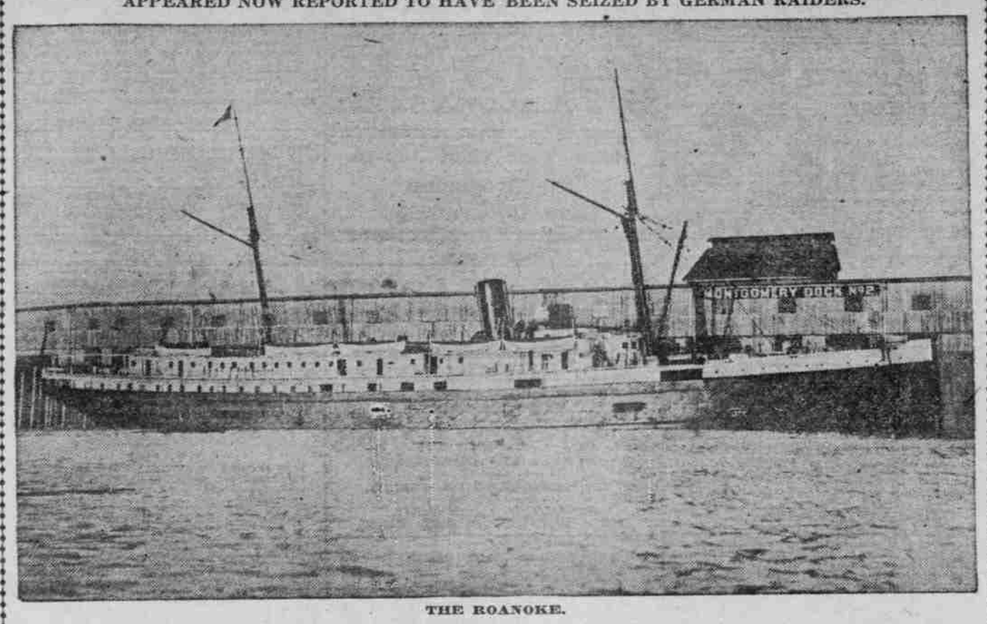
MARSHFIELD, Or., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—The Pacific Coast Defense League Pacemaker automobile, on a run from the Canadian to the Mexican border, which was disabled Saturday afternoon 15 miles south of here and which was towed back for repairs, will proceed on its run again tomorrow morning at 5.30 o'clock.

The Seven Devils route through Bandon, and then to Langlois, Port Orford nad Rogue River will be taken. Rogue River is the goal set for noon and Brookings for evening. The car expects to be in California tomorrow night. It will be about three days behind schedule when it starts in the morning.

Parts to repair the car are en route to Marshfield and will be here so that the car can start in the morning. The party spent today at the Simpson show place, "Shore Acres."

The establishments under the control of the Ministry of Munitions of Great Britain on January 31 numbered 4719.

WELL-KNOWN STEAMER WHICH LONG WORKED OUT OF PORTLAND AND MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARED NOW REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN SEIZED BY GERMAN RAIDERS.



THE ROANOKE.

STABLE PRICE SURE

Government to Buy Whole Wheat Crop if Need Be.

FUTURES TO BE BARRED

Lower Price of Bread Necessary if Wage Schedules Are to Remain. Exports to Allies to Be in Form of Flour.

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passes into speculative hands it will be held for higher prices later in the year; (d) with stabilized prices, extra hazards are introduced into all distribution links which must be paid for by the consumer. It must be evident that the United States Government can more justly deal with the situation than any of the agencies mentioned.

Course Is Determined.

"Therefore, the food administration has determined to take the following course:

"First—In order to eliminate speculation in wheat and flour, all elevators and mills over 100 barrels daily capacity will be required to take out a Government license, and the conditions of this license to be:

"That only reasonable and customary charges shall be made for warehouse service; that no wheat shall be stored for more than 30 days without the approval of the food administration; that certain information as to receipts and shipments shall be supplied regularly.

"The grain exchanges are being asked to suspend all dealings and quotations in future wheat. These regulations will come into force September 1, and the licenses will be prepared this week.

Nation to Buy Surplus.

"While farmers' co-operative elevators are excepted by the food bill, this, however, only applies to mutual concerns and not to stock companies, and, in any event, under the advantages of joining the plan none are likely to stand out.

"In substitution of the broken-down marketing machinery, the food administration proposes to open agencies for the purchase of all wheat at the principal terminals, carrying on its transactions with the usual dealers, and is prepared to take the whole harvest if necessary in order to maintain a fair price, and will resell wheat for export in such quantities as we can afford to part with in protection of our own people on one hand, and to sell on the other to the millers for domestic consumption. The Administration will make no charge except a nominal percentage to cover costs of the operation, and arrangements will be made which will assure the Government against loss.

"In order that nothing shall be left to mischarge we are setting up a properly constituted and independent auditing committee which will check all transactions at every point.

Fair Price to Be Maintained.

"The food administration under these arrangements would have a large influence in effecting the price of wheat. With a view to determining a fair price, the President has approved the appointment of a committee to be selected from representatives of the producing sections and consuming elements in community.

"This committee will be assembled under the chairmanship of President Garfield, of Williams College, and it will be the duty of this committee to determine a fair price for the 1917 harvest. Upon the determination of this fair basis, it is the intention of the food administration to use every authority given it under the bill and the control of experts to effect the universality of this fair basis throughout the whole of the 1917 harvest year without change or fluctuation.

Advance Not to Come.

"It should thus be clear that it will not be to the advantage of any producer to hold back his grain in anticipation of further advance, for he will do so only at his own cost of storage and interest, and if it is necessary for the Government to buy the entire wheat harvest in order to maintain this fair price in protection to the producer, we intend to do so.

"Furthermore, the holding of wheat or flour contracts by persons not engaged in the trade, and even when in trade, in larger quantities than is necessary for the ordinary course of their business, is unlawful under the act, and such cases will be prosecuted with vigor. And we would advise such holders to liquidate their contracts at once.

"By the above arrangement, we believe that we shall stabilize the price of wheat throughout the year; that the hazards of operation due to fluctuating prices which are imposed upon our milling and distributing community will be eliminated and therefore their business can return to the normal lines and the normal margins of profit, and that we shall not only have stabilized the price of wheat, but stabilized the price of flour, and that it should enable us to arrive at a stabilized price of bread.

Millers Will Co-operate.

"The food administration has had the patriotic co-operation of the leading millers of the country, and the millers have organized, at the request of the food administration, a committee to represent the entire trade. Detailed proposals for an agreed differential of profit and expenses per barrel of flour and per ton of feed are under discussion.

Under this arrangement the public will be assured an equitable and stabilized price of flour based upon the cost of raw material and we confidently expect the volunteer arrangement with the mills which will give satisfaction to the public.

"The universal endeavor over the country to reduce consumption of wheat breadstuffs in order that we may have the requisite exports with which to carry the allies over the forthcoming Winter, will result in a largely increased amount of wheat available for export.

Flour to Be Exported.

"If it were exported as wheat, it would result in diminution of employment of our mills, and, of equal importance, curtailment of our supply of mill feed for our dairy cattle. Therefore, the food administration will stipulate for a large proportion of export of flour instead of wheat, and as the export orders for flour will be given subject to the approval of the food administration, those mills who co-operate with the Administration will be given the benefit of the exports employment. By thus encouraging the home production of flour the manufacturing cost will be reduced and therefore the American public will receive indirect benefit in lowered margins of cost in distribution.

"In accordance with the policy of the administration to co-operate with all trades, we are this week also discussing details of voluntary arrangements with the flour distributors by which agreed differentials may be effected in the wholesale trade.

Standard Loaf Sought.

"An exhaustive investigation is being made into the cost of baking and bread distribution and active discussions are being carried on with the Bakers' War Emergency Committee as to plans for the elimination of waste in the industry and the production of a standard loaf.

"It is impossible to anticipate the price to be enunciated by the fair price committee under Dr. Garfield and it will probably require two or three weeks in its determination.

"The names of the committee are being submitted to the President and will be announced early.

"The basis of determination will be to arrive at a price representing a fair return to the producer for his patriotic endeavor to increase the supply and a proper reduction of the cost of flour to the consumer.

"It must be evident to all thinking people that unless the price of wheat, flour and bread can be materially reduced we cannot expect to maintain the present wage scale of the country, and that we must in this social readjustment lose efficiency at a time when we can afford no such sacrifice."

CLIFF HARRISON BEATEN

GATE IS SURPRISE IN LAURELHURST TENNIS PLAY.

Miss Ferry and John Walker Win From Miss Gloyd and L. C. Wilson in Hard-Fought Doubles.

The second day of play in the Laurelhurst Club's annual interclub tennis tournament was featured by several hard-fought matches and the defeat of Cliff Harrison by H. V. Cate.

Cate had been figured easy for Harrison, but he surprised the large crowd of tennis enthusiasts present by winning, 6-3, 6-1.

In the mixed doubles Miss Terry and John Walker won from Miss Gloyd and L. C. Wilson after a hard-fought battle, 6-2, 6-4.

In the women's doubles Miss Sinclair and Miss Terry defeated Miss Weiss and Miss Fairchild, 8-6, 7-5, which brought out some fine tennis playing on the part of all four contestants.

The complete list of the results of yesterday's play is as follows:

Men's singles—Thomson beat Rogers, 6-1, 6-3; C. B. Cooke beat L. Baldwin, 6-1, 6-1; D. Leedom beat John Walker, 8-6, 6-4; H. V. Cate beat C. C. Harrison, 6-3, 6-1.

Mixed doubles—Miss Terry and John Walker beat Miss Gloyd and L. C. Wilson, 6-2, 6-4.

Men's doubles—Westerman and Rheinholdt beat H. V. Cate and Weiss, 6-3, 7-5.

Women's doubles—Miss Sinclair and Miss Terry beat Miss Weiss and Miss Fairchild, 8-6, 7-5.

Junior boys' singles—Harry Westerman beat K. Kettenhofen, 6-1, 6-0; William McBride beat James Montgomery, 6-3, 6-3; E. Stout beat D. McPherson, 6-2, 6-3; Paul Steffen beat Harold Clarke, 6-1, 6-3.

Today's Schedule.

2 P. M.—Marion Gloyd vs. Christine Forbes, Mildred Wilson vs. Helen Cole, Nadine Bohlander vs. Dorothy Bush, and Marion Weiss vs. Hazel Cole.

3 P. M.—Dorothy Donlan vs. Miss LaRoche, Edna May Potter vs. Lenore Stone, Misses Handy and Leedom vs. Misses Weiss and Harrison, and Misses Potter and Stout vs. Misses Wilson and Steffen.

4 P. M.—Miss Terry vs. Mrs. Weston, and E. Stout vs. L. Tamiesie.

5 P. M.—S. B. Cooke vs. H. M. Dickerson and C. H. Weston vs. M. A. Sollinger.

6 P. M.—Walker and Leedom vs. Chandler and Watkins, Cooke and Frohman vs. McDonald and Berridge, Wilson and West vs. Westerman and Rheinholdt, and H. C. Cate vs. R. W. Williams.

6:30 P. M.—Tamiesie and Burrell vs. Montgomery and Stout.

McVey Beats Jim Johnson.

PANAMA, Aug. 12.—Sam McVey and Jim Johnson, negro heavyweight pugilists, fought 20 rounds here today, McVey winning the decision. The contest was one-sided, Johnson being on the defensive throughout.

OREGON FUND SMALL

Food-Preparedness Campaign Will Be Handicapped.

EFFECTIVE WORK IS DONE

President Kerr, in Charge of State Operations, Not Disheartened by Failure to Get as Much Money as at First Planned.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Aug. 12.—(Special.)—President W. J. Kerr, in charge of the food preparedness campaign in Oregon, expects notice of Oregon's allotment of the fund provided by Congress for carrying out the provisions of the National food control law to reach him by telegraph Monday next.

"It is already apparent," says President Kerr, "that with the funds provided by Congress it will be very difficult to finance the work in Oregon, but by careful organization and co-ordination of all the agencies participating, it will be carried out as effectively as possible."

A conference of the Northwest states will be held at Spokane, August 27 and 28, to consider the best means for obtaining increased acreage. In addition to the college representatives, President Kerr has appointed W. W. Harrah, the Umatilla wheat man, and A. S. Roberts, of The Dalles.

President Kerr will spend Monday and Tuesday in Salem and Portland conferring with representatives of the various agencies of the state concerned in the food preparedness campaign.

Pacific Coast Shipping Notes.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—Carrying a full cargo of lumber from St. Helens, the steam schooner Willamette sailed last night for San Francisco.

The steam schooner Daisy Matthews sailed last night for San Francisco, with a cargo of lumber from Westport.

The Benson Lumber Company's log raft that was aground in the lower harbor was floated last night and left for sea today in tow of the tug Hercules. She is en route for San Diego. The tug Oneonta assisted in taking the raft out of the river.

A dense fog that has hung off the mouth of the river since 8 o'clock this morning has delayed shipping and not a vessel has crossed either in or out since that time. Among the vessels outside are the steamship Northern Pacific, the tank steamer Atlas and the steam schooners Helene, Ernest H. Layer and Tiverton.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 12.—(Special.) The ex-German steamer Geuy Jaeschke arrived from Honolulu today with a large cargo consigned to the United States Shipping Board.

The steamer F. A. Kilburn, of the Independent Steamship Company, which resumed her run today after being laid up for a month's repairs, sent a wireless back this afternoon announcing that her new oil-burning attachments had added two knots to her speed. In addition to establishing speed records, the vessel carried a record-breaking passenger list of 127 persons.

Without waiting for a maiden cargo of lumber the steam schooner Trinidad, built at the Eureka yards by the Hammond Lumber Company, was towed into port from Eureka today. The ship's engines will be installed at once.

Enrollment is now going on for the navigation training school which will open under the direction of the United States Shipping Board tomorrow. The training course consists of six weeks of intensive training on shore, followed by a voyage at sea for which the students will be paid at the rate of $75 a month.

The steamer Adeline Smith brought 1,755,000 feet of lumber into port from Coos Bay today.

Movements of Vessels.

ASTORIA, Aug. 12.—Sailed at midnight, steamer Daisy Mathews, for San Pedro. Outside at 6 P. M., fogbound, steamers Northern Pacific, Atlas and E. H. Meyer, from San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 12.—Arrived: Steamer Great Northern, from Flavel. Sailed at 9:30 last night, steamer Beaver, for Portland.

SAN PEDRO, Aug. 11.—Sailed: Steamer Ryder Hanify, for Columbia River.

MONTEREY, Aug. 12.—Arrived: Schooner Monterey, in tow of tug Navigator, from Portland.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 12.—Arrived—Queen, from San Pedro; Admiral Evans, from Anchorage; Humboldt, from Southeastern Alaska. Sailed—Steamer Dispatch, for Southeastern Alaska.

CORDOVA, Alaska, Aug. 12.—Sailed—Steamer Northwestern, westbound.

SITKA, Aug. 12.—Sailed—Steamer City of Seattle, southbound.

TACOMA, Aug. 12.—Arrived: Steamer Alaska, from Southwestern Alaska. Departed: Steamer Senator, for Honolulu.

U. S. Naval Radio Reports.

WAHKEENA towing Burnham, 60 miles north of Point Arguelle.

WILLAMETTE, St. Helens for San Francisco, 280 miles south of Columbia River.

LYMAN STEWART, from San Luis for Seattle, 811 miles from Seattle.

OLEUM, from Tacoma for Oleum, 33 miles from Oleum.

WHITTIER, from San Luis for Oleum, 127 miles from Oleum.

KILBURN, from San Francisco for Eureka, 26 miles north of Point Reyes.

Tides at Astoria Monday.

High.	Low.
10:40 A. M.....6.0 feet	4:18 A. M.....-0.1 foot
9:59 P. M.....7.0 feet	4:14 P. M.....3.2 feet

Columbia River Bar Report.

NORTH HEAD, Aug. 12.—Condition at 5 P. M., obscured; wind northwest, 20 miles; weather foggy.

Phone your want ads to The Oregonian. Main 7070, A 6095.

ROANOKE SAID TO BE TEUTON PRIZE

Wireless Operators' Tale Discounts Story of Wreck of Vessel.

WRECKAGE NEVER FOUND

Parents of Operator on Steamer Are Firm in Belief Son Is Prisoner in Germany Instead of Victim of Sea Tragedy.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 12.—(Special.)—That the steamer Ooanoke, reported sunk off San Luis Obispo May 9, 1916, was in reality captured by a German raider and towed to a foreign port, is the story circulated by wireless operators here today.

It is claimed that the vessel was carrying a valuable cargo of wheat and powder at the time it was seized. The wireless operators vouching for the story point to the known seaworthiness of the Roanoke and ridicule the story of Elb, the fireman, and several Mexicans, claiming to be survivors who declared the ship foundered in a heavy sea.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Chamberlain, of this city, whose son, George, was wireless operator on the Roanoke, have not despaired of finding their son alive. They cling to the hope that the ship was captured by a German raider and that possibly the young operator is now a prisoner of the Teutons.

The men who insist that the Roanoke was not wrecked, as reported at the time, declare that a German raider was known to be operating in Pacific waters at the time the ship disappeared. They regard the facts that the crew was composed almost entirely of Mexicans and that it was the skipper's second trip aboard as significant.

The Roanoke was owned by the North Sea Navigation Company, but was under charter to the South Sea Navigation Company. The ship was bound for a South American port, but was scheduled to put in at San Pedro for fuel oil. No wreckage or other evidence of the ship having been wrecked has ever been found, according to local shipping men.

CARGO SAID TO HAVE SHIFTED

Three Survivors Declare Vessel Capsized at Sea.

On the night of Wednesday, May 10, 1916, the news came from San Luis Obispo that the steamer Roanoke, which left San Francisco May 8, for Valparaiso, had foundered at sea about 100 miles south of the Golden Gate. The news was brought into San Luis Obispo by three survivors who drifted ashore in a lifeboat with the dead bodies of five of their shipmates. The lifeboat was almost within the line of breakers when it was seen by a workman who at once organized a rescue party, which succeeded in getting the boat ashore.

According to the survivors, the Roanoke foundered by a shifting of her cargo, the vessel turned over slowly and the crew by quick work were able to launch the lifeboats. Captain Dickson and his wife, the only woman aboard, were drowned. The survivors said that Mrs. Dickson fell overboard when the steamer began to capsize and that Captain Dickson plunged after her. Neither was seen again by those in the rescued lifeboat. The three survivors were firemen on the Roanoke. Their lifeboat was half-filled with water and the occupants were subjected to fearful exposure by a cold wind and insufficient clothing. Owing to the need for quick action they had no time to secure food or fresh water before leaving the foundered steamer. A small quantity of hardtack soaked in brine was all that the eight men had for provisions.

The survivors in the boat were Manuel Lopez, J. P. Elb and Charles Romeiro.

The Roanoke operated on the Portland-San Diego run in the fleet of the North Pacific Steamship Company from 1904 until early in 1916, when she was chartered by the California-South Sea Navigation Company to ply between San Francisco and Mexican and Central American points as far as Balboa. Her disastrous voyage was her second trip from San Francisco on her new run. Captain Dickson was in command of the Roanoke on the Portland-California run and remained in charge when she was assigned to the southern route. She was built in 1882 in Chester, Pa., and saw service in the Atlantic and from different ports in the Pacific until going under the North Pacific flag in 1904. She was a running mate of the Geo. W. Elder on the Portland-San Diego run. The Roanoke was 2345 gross and 1564 net register, being 267 feet long with a beam of 40.5 feet and depth of hold of 16.6 feet.

On May 11 Attorney Sooy, representing the steamship company, made a report on the sinking of the Roanoke and declared in his opinion she had been blown up. "I intend to ask the United States Inspector of Hulls and Boilers and the Secret Service to conduct a thorough inquiry," Mr. Sooy is quoted as saying. The vessel was worth $350,000 and that sum had been refused for her. She was insured for $50,000. On the other hand the company faced the suggestion from other steamship men that the vessel might have been overloaded. Mr. Sooy emphatically denied this suggestion.

Industrial Notes.

THE Northern Pacific is paving its right of way at Main, Maple and Chestnut streets, Centralia. The Winlock Council has awarded to N. C. Sears a contract for paving North First street to the limits of the town, at $4361.

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A. C. Shives and F. B. Veness are moving their sawmill from the Winlock-Toledo road, near Lucamas Creek, to a location farther west, more accessible to timber, and will resume operation in 10 days.

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The largest car of lumber ever shipped from Winlock, 55,000 feet, was sent by the Black Diamond Lumber Company to the American Car & Foundry Company, of Chicago.

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Pacific County (Wash.) Commissioners have awarded the contract for the construction of the Columbia-North Bank road to K. L. Goulter at $6800. Green Creek, Trap Creek and Lebam bridge bids were opened but contracts were not awarded.

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The McEachern Ship Company, of which Max Houser, of Portland, is president, is urging the Astoria Chamber of Commerce to work for the extension of the streetcar line around Smiths Point. Such a line would greatly benefit workmen. It is said the McEachern Company is ready to stand its share of the expense and will give dollar for dollar toward the sum needed to extend the line and contributed by others in assisting the car company to build.

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Three miles of grading in Washington County on the Bertha-Beaverton cut-off, 45 feet wide, has been completed by a 12-foot grader pulled by a tractor, in nine and one-half days at a cost of $779.25. At Orenco the machinery completed a mile and one-eighth of 30-foot road in one day. The nursery company which had the work performed estimates that 100 teams would have been necessary to do the grading in the same length of time required by the tractor.

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Vancouver's new freight station, on which rapid progress is being made, will be used by all four railroads entering the city. The receiving side of the station parallels Eleventh street. Connecting tracks will be laid from the S. P. & S. tracks at the foot of Tenth street.

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R. R. Spray, of Tacoma, has bought the 40-acre farm of W. A. Miller, three miles south of Chehalis, for $6500. Thirty-five acres are in cultivation. Mr. Spray takes possession at once. W. R. Giffin, of Tacoma, has bought from Oscar Haggard 19 acres on the highway, one and one-half miles southeast of Chehalis for $4000. Mr. Haggard bought a 20-acre tract near Mayfield.

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Two miles of road, the worst section, between Aberdeen and Montesano, has been paved with concrete, and the contractors have gone to Oakville, where a job of a little more than a mile is to be done, 4000 feet within the limits of Oakville and 1600 feet on the state roads east and west of that town.

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Grading for the railroad which Prineville will build to connect with the Oregon Trunk line near Terrebonne, is about completed and rails will be down in three weeks. This will give stockmen of that section a chance to ship with greater facility on either of the two main lines in Eastern Oregon.

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Douglas County has bought more than 100 signs to mark road crossings. They are of black metal with raised aluminum letters and will be mounted on cedar posts painted white, the ends in the ground being creosoted to ensure their lasting.

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Prineville's big event this season will be the livestock show, October 3-6. Cattle are in fine shape in that vicinity. Ranchers have adopted a co-operative system which has enabled all to have an abundant supply.

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Sawyers in the mills at Tacoma say the output for eight hours has fallen below that for 10 hours during the last few days, but they believe the men will speed up as soon as they become accustomed to the new routine.

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James C. Cunningham, vice-president and manager of the Union Trust Company, of Spokane, has gone to Walla Walla to supervise the harvesting of his 2250-acre wheat crop on the old Reser ranch. Two combines are at work. The grain is running about 25 bushels to the acre.

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The Astoria Chamber of Commerce, which recently elected new officers, is planning an active year in promoting the industrial, commercial and agricultural welfare of Astoria and Clatsop County. President Edward E. Gray, the new head, believes this part of the Northwest will undergo marked changes in the next few years.

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A survey of the Snake River from Ascotin, six miles above Lewiston, to Riparia, 75 miles below, is being made by United States engineers to get data relative to the proposed canalization of the river.

The Interstate Commerce Commission says:

"The efficiency and excellence of the present service over both of these routes appears not to be questioned."

"Rarely does a record before us present an array of witnesses whose testimony so uniformly indorses the character of the service as does this record."

The above refers to the Steamship Service of the "MORGAN LINE" Operating between New York and New Orleans — New York and Galveston. Forming a part of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINES Through Louisiana, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, California, Oregon.

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