RELIEF IS ON WAY

Eastern Flour Substitutes Pledged to Oregon.

CARS TO GET PREFERENCE

From One to Five Cars of Cornmeal Available Weekly if Grocers Will Order at Once, Says Administrator W. B. Ayer.

Now comes highly gratifying news for the Oregon dealer and householder, harassed over the problem of obtaining flour substitutes.

Official acts at Washington yesterday opened a wide avenue of relief.

As a result of direct aid from the National Food Administration the dealers of Oregon alone will be to blame if the state does not within the next 45 days obtain more than half a hundred cars of cornmeal.

Preferential shipments, arranged by the Washington officials in response to pleas of W. B. Ayer, Federal Food Administrator, are pledged as the means of breaking the cornmeal famine.

Portland Dealers Co-operate.

Prompt and complete co-operation of grocers of the state is necessary in order to take full advantage of the proffered aid. Portland wholesalers, to whom the relief plan was explained by Mr. Ayer yesterday afternoon, are loyally joining in making a success of the scheme evolved.

Since the 59-50 flour substitute regulation was made effective in Oregon the supply of approved substitutes has continually dwindled. Mr. Ayer was fully cognizant of the situation. His repeated urgings brought the action announced yesterday, but, it was disclosed, not until after his superiors had checked up on the Oregon administrator's assertions and found the need more pressing than he had represented.

In a short message from one of the food administration departments arrangements were announced whereby eight milling concerns of Eastern states offer to Oregon wholesalers and retailers weekly shipments of cornmeal of from one to five cars.

"Have arranged with a number of mills producing cornmeal to give preferential attention to orders from your state, and will arrange for preferential movement. Please wire number of cars desired for next four weeks." Such was the telegram Mr. Ayer received. He has already received the names of the firms which offer approximately 56 cars of cornmeal, to be speeded to Oregon in the next four weeks in response to orders dealers may turn over to him.

Mills at Indianapolis, Ind.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Chicago, Ill.; St. Joseph, Mo., and other points in Missouri and Arkansas are in the list of those which have offered cornmeal shipments to relieve the substitute famine in Oregon.

Direct Orders Barred.

Orders may not be placed direct, as this would only tend to confuse the situation and disarrange shipping schedules. Instead, every dealer in the state who can use one or more carloads of cornmeal is urged to give an order at once to Mr. Ayer, that it may go forward through food administration channels.

Portland wholesalers reported to Mr. Ayer that they have many cars of cornmeal ordered from Eastern mills and supposedly now on the road here. Despite this fact many of them placed additional orders under the new Government arrangement. The fact that the Government promises preferential movement of these shipments appeals strongly to the dealers, who have been experiencing exasperating delays in receiving shipments of substitutes.

Food administration officials are not in a position to give prices. Those placing orders need hardly expect to obtain the meal at prices materially lower than those now prevailing, it is unofficially stated. But the fact that the Government is supervising the entire plan is held to be ample assurance that no profiteering will be practiced.

"There is just one thing I want to say in this connection," said Mr. Ayer, "and that is to emphasize the requirement that dealers get their orders to my office immediately."

AGED MINING MAN PASSES

Ephriam Griffith, Aged 81, Dies at Hospital at Baker.

BAKER, Or., March 21.—(Special.)—Ephraim Griffith, aged 81, and one of the best-known mining men in the Baker-Sumpter district, died last night at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. His death was due to a complication of troubles incident to age.

Mr. Griffith was born in Vermont. He went to California during the gold excitement in the early '50s and worked in many of the big camps in both California and Nevada. At one time he was at Virginia City, where he became acquainted with Mark Twain, and often told friends here many interesting stories about the early life of the great writer.

Mr. Griffith was unmarried and made his home at the Elks' Club. The funeral, Sunday, will be in charge of the local lodge of Elks.

DELIVERIES ARE CUT OUT

Baker Business Men Vote to Abandon System Altogether.

BAKER, Or., March 21.—(Special.)—Baker business men went the request of the food administration that they establish a one-delivery-a-day system here, one better today, by voting to cut out the delivery system entirely.

This action was taken after the merchants had heard an address by A. N. Stanton, of the State Council of Defense. There was some opposition to the proposition by the smaller concerns, but 70 per cent of the business houses finally voted to abandon deliveries.

The merchants asserted that if they could cut out the delivery system altogether they would be enabled to sell cheaper to consumers and also cut down their expenses.

Clatskanie Ready for Drive.

CLATSKANIE, Or., March 21.—(Special.)—The committee has perfected plans for the launching of the third liberty loan in Clatskanie, which is expected to bring good results. The following business and professional men are in charge of the drive: Rev. H. F. Gelvin, W. A. Hall, G. F. Puzey, O. J. Evenson and Dr. T. L. Wooden. Rev. S. D. Johnson has been appointed publicity manager and George B. Conyers has been placed in charge of the public meetings. The entire community, including the logging camps of the Nehalem Valley, will be canvassed.

Railroaders Off to War.

LA GRANDE, Or., March 21.—(Special.)—Another heavy inroad on the available expert labor ranks of La Grande came today, when several seasoned conductors, brakemen and engineers headed for France, via the railroad division. Among those to go are Conductor Jesse, Lieutenant Richard Ritting, Lester Zimmerce, Lewis Harris, John Ormond, Raymond Cook, William Fowler, Arthur Miller, Presly Mauney and Edgar Lowell.

C. V. LOY HELD FOR KILLING

Former Aberdeen Man Accused of Murder in Wyoming.

ABERDEEN, Wash., March 21.—(Special.)—C. V. Loy, formerly of Aberdeen, will face a first-degree murder charge in Cheyenne, Wyo., as a result of the death of William Ashford, a negro porter, whom he shot. A Coroner's jury has returned the verdict, "We find the shooting unjustifiable."

Loy will be taken before the Superior Court in Cheyenne at the session which opens March 26.

How To Keep Well
By Dr. W. A. Evans.

Questions pertaining to hygiene, sanitation and prevention of diseases, if matters of general interest, will be answered in this column. Where space will not permit or the subject is not suitable, letters will be personally answered, subject to proper limitations and where stamped addressed envelope is inclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Requests for such services cannot be answered.

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Care of the Teeth.

DR. CARL E. SMITH, dentist to the Goodrich Rubber Company, told a group of physicians attending a meeting of the American Medical Association what he found in examining the teeth of 36,000 employes of that company.

A certain man worked for the company six years and laid off to have his mastoid operated on. Two years later he applied to the company for re-employment. Upon examination his teeth were found to be in very bad condition. He had a bad case of pyorrhea and several abscesses in his gums. One knee was stiff and he was in a bad condition generally.

It was Dr. Smith's opinion that the bacteria absorbed from the gums around the pyorrhea-infected teeth had been carried to his knee, producing a so-called rheumatism which had stiffened the joint. They had been carried throughout his system, producing a general rundown condition. This case illustrates the harm that can come in the way of sickness from neglected teeth.

Dr. Smith reported that he had observed the men engaged on piece work will report a loss of $2 to $7 a week in earnings as a result of toothache lasting a week; a loss of from 25 cents to $1.50 resulted from a toothache lasting a single day. Of course, a man with a bad toothache stays at home from work. This observation was given to show the loss in wages resulting from bad teeth.

The 30,000 employes examined composed 17,000 Americans and 13,000 foreign born. Four per cent of them had clean, healthy mouths, 9 per cent had no cavities, though their teeth needed cleaning, 21 per cent had cavities, and 96 per cent were in need of some form of dental service. He found it necessary to advise the extraction of 13,000 teeth. The teeth were too far gone to be saved. Forty thousand teeth had already been extracted. There were 60,000 cavities that needed filling.

To a large industrial plant the loss from bad teeth among the employes is great. The loss to the employes is even greater. Some employers now run dental clinics for their employes. They give two examinations of the teeth a year. The teeth are cleaned when they are examined. The employe is given a card showing which teeth need filling and which should be extracted.

Some provide dentists, who fill cavities and do other dental work needed. In most instances the service is expected to pay its way, but not to make any money. But where this is done they find that many young people have badly neglected mouths when they come to work. To remedy this, school dental inspection and school clinics are maintained. But the remedy must go even further back.

The permanent teeth do not begin coming through the gums until the child is 7 years of age, but they are forming all through the years of infancy and early childhood. Care of the teeth, gums, jaws and protection of the tooth-forming structures must start at birth and continue as long as there are teeth in the mouth.

When Dr. Truby King, of New Zealand, was lecturing in the United States last month he insisted especially upon the need of hard foods. A teething child should be given hard bread to gnaw on. A piece of hard bread is the best of all teething rings. Children a little older can chew apples and turnips. Both are excellent teeth cleaners.

Hard biting and chewing not only clean the teeth but make them set firmer in the gums and develop the jaws. The older Swedes and Norwegians eat a good deal of hard bread. In some parts of Switzerland they eat the same kind of hard bread. This bread is cooked once a year. It keeps perfectly. They chop off a day's allowance and eat it by gnawing and grinding. Dr. King said that the people who live on hard breads have good teeth and good health as well.

Lice and Nits.

Working Girl writes: "How can I rid myself of nits? I am desperate. I am a working girl and it is terribly embarrassing to have one's head full of nits. I want something for my hair that has no odor if it is possible. I wash my hair every two weeks with green or tar soap. Please help me, as I have nobody to go to for help."

REPLY.

Nits are the eggs of lice. Kerosene is good to kill lice, vinegar to loosen the nits from the hair, and vaseline to prevent nits from hatching. Mix kerosene and vinegar, equal parts. Thoroughly saturate the hair and scalp with this mixture. Wrap the head in a towel wet with the mixture. Leave on for one hour. Grease the hair and scalp with vaseline. Comb it with a fine tooth comb. Wash with soap and water. Do this some Sunday. Repeat two weeks later if necessary. Be careful about fire while the kerosene is on.

Not Good Treatment.

A. M. P. writes: "Is the 'Sam Kats treatment for catarrh' beneficial? Will it effect a complete cure if taken for a reasonable time? Many persons have catarrh, especially of the nasal organs."

REPLY.

It is not a good treatment. It will not cure nasal catarrh.

Gall Bladder Trouble.

Mrs. P. C. L. writes: "What would you advise for gall bladder trouble?"

REPLY.

Gall bladder trouble is a very indefinite term. It would include infection of the gall bladder, stone in the bladder, and possible cancer of the gall bladder. Cancer of the gall bladder calls for prompt surgical treatment. Delayed surgery is not of service. Gall stones call for operation if the symptoms are active. So does infection of the gall bladder.

Two Kinds of Measles.

Mrs. J. T. writes: "Would you please tell me (1) how many kinds of measles there are? (2) If a person has had one kind can they still take the others?"

REPLY.

1. Two—measles and German measles.
2. Yes.

SEATTLE NEEDS AID

Willamette Iron & Steel Works to Furnish Boilers.

ORDERS FOR SIX ACCEPTED

Big Portland Corporation Has Capacity of Seven Boilers a Month, Twice What Is Needed to Carry Out Its Own Contracts.

Portland is helping to load Seattle-built ships with flour, due to a limited production on Puget Sound, and now this port is called on to help the Washington city continue its records for speedy construction of tonnage, for the Columbia River Shipbuilding Company has accepted orders for six Scotch marine boilers for the Skinner & Eddy plant. The latter has made excellent time building hulls and the delivery of completed ships has been satisfactory.

The Willamette Iron & Steel Works finished a string of boilers last year for Seattle ships. It has a capacity in its newly-established shop of about seven boilers a month, or double that required to equip the big 8800-ton carriers being turned out for the Government, so it was in a position to lend Seattle part of its capacity.

This corporation contracted with the Government to deliver finished vessels, from laying the keel to rigging the whistle cabin, and if the Emergency Fleet Corporation contracts for the entire capacity of the plant the boiler shop will be equal to the drive. Even to the furniture of the saloon and staterooms, the yard is taking care of its own needs and is one of the most complete on the Coast today.

On the new fitting out dock, where towering sheer legs were installed last year with which to lift the heavy boilers into the vessels, as well as the main engine and such weighty parts, there has been a track laid along the front on which a traveling crane will be operated, the crane being now under construction at the plant. When that is in service all of the lighter equipment can be moved aboard speedily and with two ships outfitting at once the rig will prove decidedly convenient. Another hull, the fifth started there, will be afloat before April 1.

TWO SHIPS MONTHLY IS AIM

Willamette Iron & Steel Works Plans to Expedite Construction.

Delivery of two completed 8800-ton freighters in April is the mark Edward C. Pape, superintendent of the Willamette Iron & Steel Works, has set in helping to provide tonnage for war necessities, and the first will be the steamer West Shore, which is to have her trial trip about April 5. The steamer Westhampton will be ready for trial the latter part of April. The Westbrook, at the plant of the Columbia River Shipbuilding Corporation, will have her trial next week and should be delivered by April 1. The Westchester was delivered early this week by the Willamette interests. Turning over two completed ships a month is counted a good showing.

The Willamette Iron & Steel Works has three Scotch marine boilers ready for shipment to the Union Iron Works at San Francisco and they will be loaded on the steamer Johan Poulsen tomorrow. There are nine boilers in all to be finished for the California firm, which had the material shipped here to expedite their completion.

COPIES OF REPORT ISSUED

Maritime Interests to Back Coast and Geodetic Survey in Campaign.

Distribution of neatly bound numbers of "The Neglected Waters of the Pacific," a comprehensive presentation of the conditions on the Coast regarding unsurveyed waters, as compiled by E. Lester Jones, superintendent of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, has been begun by the Portland branch of the Hydrographic Office. The books are being sent to mariners and others of the shipping sphere who are concerned in backing the Coast and Geodetic Survey in its efforts to obtain vessels with which to carry on important survey operations. It is expected a strong appeal will be made to the Congressional delegations of the three states to help that department.

Superintendent Jones has included charts and photographs illustrating some of the dangerous conditions he cites, and data of a comparative nature is used to show how much in arrears the work is on the Pacific.

FRENCH SHIPS TO CARRY COAL

Fleet of Foundation Yard to Play Important Part in War.

Vessels being constructed by the Foundation Company for the French government are to carry coal, so it is reported, and thereby play a most important part in the great war. There has been speculation among Coast shipping men since the contracts were placed last year for 40 steam auxiliary schooners, 20 at Portland and 20 at Tacoma, the belief being that the carriers would not be operated in the trans-Atlantic trade, so news of the plan to use them on the other side as coal carriers has cleared up doubts.

The Commandant Roisin, floated Wednesday, is one of the few wooden ships launched at Portland for which machinery was on the ground at the time. The work of installing is to be advanced without delay and at the latest it is hoped to have her ready for sea in two months.

Pacific Coast Shipping Notes.

GRAYS HARBOR, Wash., March 21.—(Special.)—The steamer Raymond cleared for San Pedro at 4 P. M.

James O'Farrell, former waiter on the steamer Avalon, was arrested last night by Federal authorities, charged with importing liquor from a wet into a dry state.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 21.—(Special.)—The steam schooner Port Angeles and schooner Rufus K. Wood were ordered today by the War Trade Board to load full cargoes of lumber for Balboa. The vessels belong to the Charles Nelson fleet and their combined capacity is approximately 3,300,000 feet. On the return voyage they will bring railroad equipment for the Alaskan Engineering Commission from the Canal Zone.

The steamships Spokane, Jefferson and City of Seattle arrived here today from Southeastern Alaskan ports. All three had large quantities of fresh fish, principally halibut, while the Spokane and City of Seattle also have paper loaded at Ocean Falls.

ASTORIA, Or., March 21.—(Special.)—The steam schooner Johan Poulsen arrived at 8 o'clock this morning from San Francisco bringing 150 tons of railroad iron which she discharged at the Port dock. She will load lumber at Westport.

The steam schooner Santa Barbara arrived at 8 o'clock this morning from San Francisco and will load lumber at St. Helens.

The steam schooner Trinidad arrived at 7:30 last evening from San Pedro and went to the Port dock, where she is loading lumber brought from the Warrenton mill. She will finish at the Hammond plant.

The tank steamer Oleum arrived at 9 o'clock this morning from California bringing a cargo of fuel oil for Portland.

The steam schooner Santiam has finished loading lumber at the Hammond mill for San Pedro, but will not sail before tomorrow on account of the southerly gale outside.

The tug Navigator, with oil barge Monterey in tow, arrived from Portland at 1:30 this afternoon and went to the lower harbor. They will sail for California as soon as the weather conditions are favorable.

The schooner W. H. Marston, which arrived yesterday afternoon from Australia, with 1600 tons of wheat will shift tomorrow morning to the flouring mill dock to begin discharging her cargo.

COOS BAY, Or., March 21.—(Special.)—The steam schooner Martha Buehner, arrived from San Francisco at 8:20 this morning for a lumber cargo at the Buehner mill.

The Quidnick, the second wooden vessel built by the Kruse & Banks shipyard for the Emergency Fleet Corporation, is due for launching next week and probably will take the water Tuesday afternoon.

Nasty Sea Along Coast.

ASTORIA, Or., March 21.—(Special.)—The first day of Spring was ushered in with a southerly gale that continued all day. While the wind was not strong locally, it attained a 63-mile rate at North Head, and reports from outside say a nasty sea is running along the coast.

Movements of Vessels.

PORTLAND, March 21.—Arrived—Steamers Willamette and Santa Barbara, from San Francisco; Oleum, from Port San Luis.

ASTORIA, March 21.—Arrived at 6 and left up at 8:40 A. M., steamer Santa Barbara, from San Francisco; arrived at 8 and left up at 9 A. M., steamer Oleum, from Port San Luis; arrived at 8 and left up at 11 A. M., steamer Johan Poulsen, from San Francisco; arrived at 9 A. M., steamer Trinidad, from San Pedro.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—Arrived—Steamers J. A. Moffett, from Everett; Providencia, from Grays Harbor; Frank D. Stout, from Coos Bay. Departed—Steamer Queen, for Seattle.

SEATTLE, March 21.—Arrived—Steamers City of Seattle, Spokane, Jefferson, from Southeastern Alaska; Waupama, from San Francisco; Admiral Dewey, from San Pedro. Sailed—Steamer Argyll, for San Francisco.

ASTORIA, March 20.—Arrived at 4:40 and left up at 5:30 P. M., steamer Willamette, from San Francisco.

PORT SAN LUIS, March 20.—Sailed—Steamer Klamath, from Portland, for San Pedro.

SAN PEDRO, March 20.—Sailed—Steamer Rose City, for Portland.

GAVIOTA, March 20.—Sailed—Steamer W. F. Herrin, for Portland.

SAN PEDRO, March 21.—Arrived—Steamer Santa Monica, from Columbia River.

TACOMA, March 21.—Arrived—Steamers Northwestern, from Alaska; President, from San Francisco. Departed—Steamer President, for San Francisco.

Tides at Astoria Friday.

High.	Low.
9:18 A. M....7.3 feet	3:33 A. M....3.0 feet
10:26 P. M....6.9 feet	4:17 P. M....0.6 foot

STEAMER IS RELEASED

TOULA SURRENDERED TO MASTERS BY FEDERAL OFFICERS.

Twenty-eight Members of Crew Are in Custody and May Be Deported Under U. S. Alien Laws.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 21.—(Special.)—On orders from Washington, Collector of Customs Drumheller today released the Russian steamship Toula from Federal custody, and Captain M. Lossman, her master, took official charge. With Captain Lossman aboard the steamer are a half dozen members of the crew who are loyal to the master.

Of the other members of the crew, 28 are in custody and deportation proceedings have been commenced against them as alien enemies. The Russian steamship Kishinev and Nijni Novgorod, also in port, today commenced discharging the part cargoes loaded two weeks ago, since which time they have been denied clearance to Siberian ports.

What disposition will be made of the ships is problematical.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, March 21.—Maximum temperature, 54 degrees; minimum, 46 degrees. River reading, 8 A. M., 5.4 feet; change in last 24 hours, 0.1 foot rise. Total rainfall (5P. M. to 5 P. M.), 0.18 inch; total rainfall since September 1, 1917, 33.88 inches; normal rainfall since September 1, 35.13 inches; deficiency of rainfall since September 1, 1.25 inches. Sunrise, 6:12 A. M.; sunset, 6:25 P. M. Total sunshine, none; possible sunshine, 12 hours 13 minutes. Moonrise, 12:56 P. M.; moonset, 3:16 A. M. Barometer (reduced sea level), 5 P. M., 29.85 inches. Relative humidity at noon, 72 per cent.

THE WEATHER.

STATIONS.	Minimum temperature	Maximum temperature	Precipitation past 24 hours	Wind Velocity	Wind Direction	State of Weather
Baker	36	58	0.00	10	SE	Cloudy
Boise	42	62	0.00	..	SE	Cloudy
Boston	40	52	0.00	..	NE	Cloudy
Calgary	S	...	0.00	..	..	.....
Chicago	56	64	0.00	..	NW	Clear
Denver	44	54	0.00	..	E	Pt. cloudy
Des Moines	52	60	0.00	10	N	Cloudy
Eureka	44	58	0.01	14	S	Rain
Galveston	..	64	0.00	10	SE	Cloudy
Helena	30	60	0.00	..	NE	Pt. cloudy
Juneau	18	...	0.10	12	NE	Snow
Kansas City	56	*64	0.00	12	N	Pt. cloudy
Los Angeles	52	62	0.00	..	SW	Clear
Marshfield	38	56	0.20	6	SE	Rain
Medford	..	58	0.00	10	S	Rain
Minneapolis	40	66	0.00	10	N	Clear
New Orleans	56	80	0.00	..	SW	Clear
New York	44	60	0.00	..	E	Cloudy
North Head	46	48	0.28	48	SW	Rain
North Takima	38	60	0.00	18	SW	Cloudy
Phoenix	44	64	0.04	4	SE	Clear
Pocatello	32	58	0.00	..	SW	Clear
Portland	46	54	0.18	10	S	Rain
Roseburg	40	62	0.00	10	SE	Cloudy
Sacramento	46	60	0.00	12	S	Pt. cloudy
St. Louis	56	68	0.00	16	S	Cloudy
Salt Lake	38	54	0.00	16	NW	Clear
San Diego	52	62	0.00	12	W	Cloudy
San Francisco	50	62	0.00	..	W	Pt. cloudy
Seattle	46	54	0.30	24	SW	Rain
Sitka*	..	34	0.00	..	E	Cloudy
Spokane	40	58	0.00	..	W	Cloudy
Tacoma	46	54	0.12	14	SW	Rain
Tatoosh Island	44	48	1.40	26	S	Pt. cloudy
Valdez†	10	...	0.00	..	N	Clear
Walla Walla	42	62	0.00	..	W	Cloudy
Washington	52	58	1.18	8	N	Rain
Winnipeg	24	36	0.00	..	NW	Cloudy

†A. M. today. *P. M. report of preceding day.

FORECASTS.

Portland and vicinity—Friday rain, strong southerly winds.

Oregon and Washington—Friday rain, moderate southerly gales.

Idaho—Friday rain.

EDWARD L. WELLS,
Meteorologist.

Goldendale Soldier Buried.

GOLDENDALE, Wash., March 21.—(Special.)—Carl Avery Lester, a private in the Aviation Corps, stationed at Vancouver Barracks, who died in the post hospital March 15, was buried at Goldendale Tuesday. The dead soldier was one of the first men inducted into the service of the National Army from Klickitat County and is a son of C. A. Lester, a farmer residing near Goldendale. He was 29 years old and born in Thomas County, Kansas.

La Grande Lieutenant Due Home.

LA GRANDE, Or., March 21.—(Special.)—Lieutenant James P. Plamondon, of La Grande, who was attached to a field artillery hospital unit of the Rainbow Division, the first National Guard unit to be sent to France, is en route home, having been discharged from the service for disability. Lieutenant Plamondon is the first Oregon officer to be returned from France.

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SURVEY HIGHLY VALUED

PORT OF PORTLAND'S RIVER WORK IS PROVING EFFECTIVE.

Special Election Called by Sherman County Interests to Organize New Port of Rufus.

Indicative of the value placed on the traffic survey of the Upper Columbia and Snake rivers now being conducted by Harold Rands for the Port of Portland Commission, is the action of Sherman County interests in calling a special election April 24, to organize the Port of Rufus.

Portlanders concerned in the traffic survey say it will be the first river port organized under the present Oregon law. The intention of those back of it is to have funds made available for a dock and warehouse and such other facilities as may be necessary when dependable steamboat service is available.

G. B. Hegardt, chief engineer of the Commission of Public Docks, has assisted in the campaign by having maps drawn of the zone to be embraced. The port district, if the election carries, will comprise about 96 square miles and on the Columbia River will take in Grant, Rufus and John Day, covering a distance of eight miles. It will extend back from the river as far as Wasco and Klondike, so will include much of the territory between the Deschutes and John Day rivers.

Drake C. O'Reilly, of the Port of Portland Commission, says impetus has been given the traffic undertaking through the activity of the Open River Association in past years, in the establishment of steamboat service to the upper reaches. That wheat will be barged from the district as far as Pasco is the belief of Mr. O'Reilly, and he predicts that concrete barges, built on the plan of canal boats so as to load in the hold, will eventually be in use.

ELEVATOR WORK STARTS

CONTRACT SIGNED WITH DOCK COMMISSION YESTERDAY.

Oregon Portland Cement Company Lowest Bidder on 37,000 Barrels—Land End of Pier to Be First Built.

At the time J. A. McEachern, of Seattle, head of a company bearing his name, signed a contract with the Commission of Public Docks yesterday morning to construct a 1200-foot pier at the St. Johns municipal elevator site, three pilediivers were on their way from Astoria to start work and it was arranged for two more to be used at once, so the project can be rushed.

The east section, or land end, of the pier is to be started now, so it will be available for discharging cement and other material. For 600 feet that part of the pier will be an open dock, the remaining part, extending to the harbor line, being a two-level section.

The first deliveries of cement are to be made May 1 by a home plant, the Oregon Portland Cement Company having been the lowest bidder on 37,000 barrels of cement at $3.15 a barrel, with 5 cents a barrel discount provided payment is made within 10 days and sacks are made returnable at the rate of 20 cents each.

Proposals were filed by the Truscon Steel Company, the United States Steel Products Company and the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company for supplying steel rods to be used in concrete reinforcing. The bids will be checked by G. B. Hegardt, chief engineer, and he will make the award.

SCALE TO BE PREPARED

CRANEMEN'S AND ENGINEERS' WAGES TO BE ADJUSTED.

Federal Mediator Meets Ship Employes' and Owners' Representatives to Discuss Situation.

Discussion between representatives of owners and employes of wooden and steel shipyards in conference with Richard W. Montague, federal mediator, as to a wage scale covering engineers and cranemen, wages for which jobs were not included in the findings of the Macey commission, resulted in announcement by Mr. Montague yesterday that he will prepare a schedule and forward it to Washington for action there.

Mr. Montague took up the matter of a scale for those men and his last communication on the subject was answered from Washington with a telegram authorizing him to proceed with a meeting he proposed.

As to learners in ship plants and their pay, Mr. Montague says that he has not received recent information from Washington, though he took the matter up some time ago. Reports of a peremptory order having been received directing him to take up such matters and bearing on his removal for alleged failure to carry out adjustments, he says, are untrue.

There are said to have been a number of jobs in ship plants not included in the Macey adjustment, so time has been spent trying to work out some of them, with the result consilerable impatience has been displayed by men at certain yards. Disputes have arisen and conferences have been held in an effort to adjust them, but there are yet features hanging fire.

Marine Notes.

Early Monday the second hull completed by the Peninsula Shipbuilding Company for the Emergency Fleet Corporation will be launched. It will mark the sixth vessel floated there, but four of them were on private contract. The Clackamas, first of the Government ships, was floated February 25, so they are just a month apart.

Captain Willis Snow, for years with the Columbia River Pilots' Association and among the best-known mariners in the district, is on watch these days at the headquarters of Columbia River Harbor, Masters, Mates & Pilots' Association, in the Lumber Exchange building. He has accepted the berth of secretary.

Completing her lumber cargo at Rainier the steamer Shasta sailed last night for the Golden Gate.

In gathering the last of her load for the West Coast the schooner Samar was shifted yesterday from the East Washington-street municipal terminal to Inman-Poulsen's.

From the Portland mill the new auxiliary schooner Carmen hauled down to the Fifteenth-street municipal terminal to make final preparations for sea.

On arrival yesterday from the south the steamer Johann Poulsen proceeded to Westport for part of her lumber cargo, and when most of that is aboard she will steam to the plant of the Willamette Iron & Steel Works to load three Scotch marine boilers for San Francisco, returning then to Westport to work the last of the lumber consignment.

John P. Doyle, named general superintendent of the Port of Portland Wednesday, assumed his new duties yesterday, spending the day visiting floating plant and the dry-dock.

John Shivley has been named purser of the O.-W. R. & N. Company's steamer Harvest Queen. Purser Partlow having enlisted in the Corps of Engineers, selecting one of the railroad regiments, in which he was classed as a brakeman. He has left for the East.

Efforts were made yesterday to locate a steamer bound for the East Coast that would carry 1500 tons of wool, which is awaiting shipment here.

Columbia River Bar Report.

NORTH HEAD, March 21.—Condition of the bar at 5 P. M., sea moderate. Wind, southwest, 48 miles.

GRAVE CHARGE PREFERRED

Hood River Man to Be Brought to Oregon City for Trial.

OREGON CITY, Or., March 21.—(Special.)—Uel Parker, a resident of Hood River, was arrested at that place today on a complaint issued by District Attorney Hedges, charging a statutory offense, the complaining witness being the daughter of a prominent family in the south end of the county.

Parker, who is married, was arrested by Hood River County officials and placed in jail. He will be brought to Oregon City by Constable Frost Thursday for arraignment before Judge Sievers. Parker is 21 years of age and the girl involved is 19.

ALSEA ANGLERS GO NORTH

Fishermen Will Work in Alaska During Coming Season.

NEWPORT, Or., March 21.—(Special.)—Fourteen Alsea Bay fishermen left here Wednesday for Alaska, where they are under contract to work for the Copper River Salmon Packing Company during the coming fishing season. They are to assist in building the new cannery and other buildings for this company, for which they are to receive $80 per month and board.

During the fishing season they will work three men to a boat, and have all gear furnished, and each will receive one-fourth of the catch.

AMUSEMENTS.

TICKETS NOW SELLING
HEILIG Broadway at Taylor. Main 1 and A 1122.
TONIGHT 8:15 Tomorrow Night
SPECIAL PRICE
Mat. Tomorrow, 2:15
N. Y. WINTER GARDEN CO.
SHOW OF WONDERS
125 PEOPLE—15 SCENES
STAR CAST HEADED BY
Eugene Willie HOWARD Beauty Chorus
TOM LEWIS WHITE and CLAYTON
Big Cast of Notable Artists
Eve's, $2 to 50c—Sat. Mat., $1.50 to 50c.

BAKER ALCAZAR PLAYERS
Tonight, all Week—Matinee Saturday.
"BROKEN THREADS."
A thrilling tale of California life.
Eves, 25c, 50c, 75c; Mats, 25c, 50c.
Next Week, Starting Sunday Mat., "The Silent Witness."

SUN MON TUES WED AFTERNOON 10¢ to 50¢ — PHONES MAIN 9 A5555 — Orpheum SUPERIOR VAUDEVILLE — SUN MON TUES WED NIGHT 10¢ to 75¢
BLOSSOM SEELEY
Assisted by Fields, Salisbury, Davis, Lopez and Thorpe; Vardon and Perry; Kitamura Trio.
"IN THE DARK"
Mystery Dramatic Novelty. Lew Reed and Wright Girls, Lucille and Cockie.
CAPTAIN ADRIAN C. ("POP") ANSON AND DAUGHTERS
EXTRA! SHOW WEDNESDAY NIGHT

PANTAGES
MAT. DAILY 2:30
11—UYENAS—11
The Famous Japanese Acrobats and Jugglers.
Six Other Big Acts.
Three Performances Daily. Night Curtain at 7 and 9.

LYRIC MUSICAL STOCK
Matinee Daily at 2:30. Nights start 7:30.
This week—a bubble of mirth and melody.
"The Champagne Girl"
CHORUS GIRLS' CONTEST TONIGHT

HIPPODROME
Thursday, Friday, Saturday
Bonouiard Arabs
A Day on the Desert.
4 Dancing Demons
Dorothy Dale
The Only American Lady Yoedler.
7—HIP ATTRACTIONS—7
Gladys Hulette
in
"OVER THE HILL"

DANCE AT BEAUTIFUL
RIVERSIDE PARK
SUNDAY
Afternoon and Evening.
Admission: Ladies 25c, Men 50c
NOT a Jitney dance!
6c carfare—Milwaukie or Oregon City cars.

CONCERT
PORTLAND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
INCORPORATED
Sunday, March 24,
AUDITORIUM
Prices: $1.10, 85c, 55c, 30c, 20c
Seats Now Selling at Sherman, Clay & Co.

CLASSIFIED AD. RATES

Daily and Sunday.

	Per line.
One time	12c
Same ad two consecutive times	22c
Same ad three consecutive times	30c
Same ad six or seven consecutive times	56c

The above rates apply to advertisements under "New Today" and all other classifications, except the following:

Situations Wanted—Male.
Situations Wanted—Female.
For Rent Rooms—Private Families.
Board and Rooms—Private Families.
Housekeeping Rooms—Private Families.

Rates on the above classifications are 7 cents a line each insertion.

Serious errors in advertisements will be rectified by republication without additional charge, but such republication will not be made where the error does not materially affect the value of the advertisement.

The Oregonian will accept classified advertisements over the telephone, provided the advertiser is a subscriber to either phone. No price will be quoted over the phone, but bill will be rendered the following day. The Oregonian will not be responsible for errors in advertisements taken over telephone. Whether subsequent advertisements will be accepted over the phone depends upon the promptness of payment of telephone advertisements. "Situations Wanted" and "Personal" advertisements will not be accepted over the telephone. Orders for one insertion only will be accepted for "Furniture for Sale," "Business Opportunities," "Rooming-houses" and "Wanted to Rent."

AUCTION SALES TODAY.

At Wilson's Auction House, at 10 A. M. Furniture. 169-171 Second st.

Cemetery.

MEETING NOTICES.

ALL COMRADES WHO CAN please attend the funeral of Enoch W. Pike, formerly a member of Co. K, 9th Minnesota Infantry, and late a member of George Wright Post, G. A. R.; held the office of Colonel for several years in the National Guard. Was past 75 years of age. Funeral services at Finley's undertaking parlors, Fifth and Montgomery sts., today (Friday), March 22, at 2:30 o'clock. Interment Rose City Cemetery.
L. C. SHORNO, Commander.
A. C. SLOAN, Adjutant.

HASSALO No 15 I.O.O.F. WILL meet this (Friday) evening at 7:30 at 226 Alder street. Work in the initiatory. Visitors welcome.
FREDERICK COZENS, Recording Secretary.
E. M. WARDLE, N. G.

PORTLAND LODGE, NO. 55, A. F. AND A. M.—Special communication this (Friday) evening 7:30 o'clock. Work in E. A. degree. Visitors welcome. Order W. M.
C. M. STEADMAN, Sec.

SUNNYSIDE LODGE, NO. 163, A. F. AND A. M.—Special communication tonight. Work E. A. degree. Visitors welcome. By order of the W. M.
ED M. LANCE, Secretary.

ALBERT PIKE LODGE, NO. 162, A. F. AND A. M.—Special communication this (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock. M. M. degree. Visitors welcome. By order of W. M.
E. R. IVIE, Secretary.

SELLWOOD LODGE, NO. 131, A. F. AND A. M.—Stated communication this (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock. Visitors welcome. By order W. M.
J. H. BUTLER, Sec.

OREGON LODGE, No. 101, A. F. and A. M.—Special communication this (Saturday) evening, at 8 o'clock. Work in the E. A. degree. Visiting brethren cordially invited. By order of the W. M.
LESLIE S. PARKER, Sec.

MYRTLE CHAPTER, NO. 15, O. E. S.—Regular meeting this (Friday) evening in Masonic Temple at 8 o'clock. Degrees. By order W. M.
JENNIE H. GALLOWAY, Secretary.

WEBFOOT CAMP NO 65, WOODMEN OF THE WORLD, meets every Friday night at W. O. W. Temple, 128 11th street. All members welcome. Kum to Kamp Friday night.
H. L. BARBUR, Clerk.
L. S. DE YOUNG, Act. Consul Commander.

EMBLEM Jewelry, buttons, charms, pins; new designs. Jaeger Bros., 131-3 6th st.

FRIEDLANDER'S for lodge emblems, class pins and medals. 310 Washington st.

DIED.

SCHADER—At the residence, 1