

GREAT FOREST FIRE

Famous California Trees Likely to Be Consumed.

FLAMES ARE FOUR MILES WIDE

Blaze Believed to Have Been Originated From Campfire by Surveyors—Two Road Stations Probably Doomed.

BONORA, Cal., June 28.—A disastrous forest fire is raging in the mountains of Tuolumne County, along the Tuolumne River Canyon, and is traveling southeast fast in the direction of Crocker's Station and the Tuolumne big trees in the vicinity of the Yosemite road. The flames are four miles wide, and are defying all efforts of a large army of fire-fighters. The fire started seven miles from Crocker's Station on the Yosemite road and rapidly swept to the southeast. Soldiers have been sent out from Wawona on the southern road to Yosemite. Crocker's Station and Hazelgreen are probably doomed, and it is feared the Tuolumne big trees will go in the great conflagration. The mill-house at Crocker's Station, the Yosemite road, is reported destroyed. The brush is high and dry, and the fire is sweeping along with fearful rapidity. The report here is that the Government survey party under J. G. Hooper and D. A. Jones, who have a contract to survey all the unsurveyed townships in the high Sierras of that section, built a signal fire last night about one mile from Pilot Peak, a prominent landmark near the summit, and later covered it with dirt and returned to camp. A heavy wind arose in the night and scattered the fire over the hillside and gave it headway before the surveyors could reach it. The fire is in a heavily-wooded section and the destruction of valuable timber will be great.

NEW OREGON CORPORATIONS.

Articles Filed at Salem During the Week Just Closed.

SALEM, June 28.—The following articles of incorporation were filed with the Secretary of State during the past week: The Oregon Inland Land Company, Prineville, Or.; general real estate, lumber, general merchandise business, etc.; \$10,000; James A. Boggs, J. W. Hopkins and C. E. McDowell. Botham Lumber Company, Portland, Or.; logging and lumber business; \$25,000; William G. Botham, James Steel and J. B. Ryan. The Lawrence Publishing Company, Portland, Or.; to publish and dispose of maps and charts and other publications in the States of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and California; \$500; F. A. Lawrence, J. E. Morrison and Gustav Anderson. The Grant County Abstract Company, Canyon City, Or.; general abstract, collection and insurance business; \$500; R. R. McHaley, L. A. McHaley, George Haggy and J. C. Haggy. Blinn-Waldo Mill Company, Portland, Or.; general logging and lumbering business, conducting general merchandise business, hotels and boarding-houses; L. W. Blinn, L. O. Waldo and Irving L. Blinn. The Clackamas Title Company, Portland, Or.; \$10,000; general abstract business; Edward J. Riley, Martha S. Riley and Frank B. Riley. Commercial Trust Company, Portland, Or.; \$50,000; borrow and loan money, build, disburse, etc., all kinds of buildings, etc.; H. S. Rowe, John W. Cook and I. S. Bushnell. Big Bend Water Ditch Company, Joseph, Or.; \$4000; to construct and operate water ditches; Anthony Morgan, Clares Ipsen, J. E. Smallwood, Ray E. Watson, Ernest Vest and Augustus E. Watson. The Coney Island on Willamette, Portland, Or.; to maintain and operate a Summer resort and other places; \$5000; A. Redding, John M. Christophersen and Th. Johannessen. The Church of the United Brethren in Christ, of Benton County, near Philomath, Benton County; to maintain a place of worship; \$100; A. W. Pugsley, Wilson Scott, N. J. Versteeg, M. W. Worthington and J. L. Hinkle. Watts-Mitchell Company, Portland, Or.; to buy and sell drugs, cigars, tobacco, stationery, etc.; \$500; F. A. Watts, S. A. Matthieu, K. D. Matthieu and L. R. Watts. Bank of North Yamhill, North Yamhill, Or.; \$20,000; general banking business; Jacob Wortman, John A. Simmons and Sam Laughlin.

NARROW ESCAPE FROM DROWNING.

Sailor of Prominent Weiser Men Is Captured by Squall.

WEISER, Idaho, June 28.—A. Hermany, auditor of the Pacific & Idaho Northern Railroad, and E. S. Varian, a prominent attorney, both of this city, had a narrow escape from drowning in the Snake River last evening. They had gone out for a sail in Mr. Varian's boat, and when about three miles above town, were overtaken by a sudden squall, which capsized the boat, throwing the two men into the river. They grasped the bottom of the boat and clung to it, uttering cries of distress. Their cries were heard by persons along the bank, and as there were no means at hand to go out to them, some persons ran to the cable ferry, a short distance below town, and started the ferryboat out into the river, caught the boat and dragged the two almost exhausted men on board. A number of people gathered on the bank watching them as they passed the city, clinging to the boat.

WENT TO IDAHO TO KILL HER.

Idaho Man Fell in Love With Wife's Sister After His Marriage.

BOISE, Idaho, June 28.—It now transpires that W. P. Kissinger, who murdered Mrs. W. P. Garner and then committed suicide at Peoria yesterday, had married Mattie Horn, his victim's sister, 12 years ago, but afterward fell in love with the woman he killed. This led to a separation between him and his wife, the latter securing a divorce at Pendleton a few days ago. Kissinger seems to have come here from Oregon expressly for the purpose of killing the woman, having left a statement to that effect. This was found on his body after his death. The bodies were brought to Boise this evening. Kissinger's remains will be held to await the arrival of a brother from Eugene. It seems Mr. Garner married Ada Horn last Spring, without knowing anything about the trouble between Kissinger and the latter's wife because of her.

GOOD ROADS FOR MARION.

Farmers Donate Labor, and the County Purchases Rock-Crusher.

SALEM, June 28.—Road-work of a substantial character is being done south of Salem under the direction of County Engineer W. J. Culver. The road being improved is the highway, about 1/2 mile from Salem and known as the Liberty road. A ledge of solid rock was discovered at that point and convenient to the Salem-Jefferson and the Salem-Buena Vista roads. The farmers, learning of the recent purchase by the county of a modern rock-crusher, volunteered the use of teams and other help that might be needed for hauling the crushed rock and spreading it upon the roads if the county would agree to properly grade the highway and operate the crusher. The work has been in progress for nearly a month, and since the people of that section are much pleased with the results being accomplished, the work will probably be continued until at least two miles of road shall have been constructed. Practical road building will be carried on by the county throughout the summer since the court has similar propositions on file from other sections of the county that will receive consideration when the work south of Salem is ended. The rock-crusher was only recently purchased by the county. Its capacity for crushed rock is cubes of probably 1 1/2 inches. The rock can be crushed into different sizes, but this size is considered the most suitable for the section of the county now being treated. Sixteen men are employed in the operation of the crusher, the product of which keeps 12 teams busy hauling.

T. C. GRIFFITHS IS DEAD

WELL-KNOWN SPOKANE ATTORNEY EXPIRES SUDDENLY.

First Democratic Candidate for Congress From Washington and Member Constitutional Convention.

SPOKANE, June 28.—Thomas C. Griffiths, who for years was regarded as the leading criminal lawyer of Eastern Washington, died suddenly this morning at his home in the suburbs of this city. He was the first Democratic candidate for Congress in this state. His death is attributed to heart disease. He was a member of the Constitutional Convention in 1889. From that time on, until about 1901, he played a conspicuous part in the politics of the State of Washington. Of late years he had to a considerable extent withdrawn from the public view, and de-

DEWEY WILL START UP.

Thunder Mountain Property Is Preparing for Active Work.

WEISER, Idaho, June 28.—H. B. Brown, manager of the Brown Trading Company, of Warren, arrived in the city this afternoon, en route to Portland. Mr. Brown

OREGON PIONEER OF 1846 WILL BE LAID IN THE TOMB TODAY



Dr. J. C. Shelton.

SALEM, Or., June 28.—The funeral of Dr. J. C. Shelton, an Oregon pioneer of 1846, who died at his home in Salem yesterday, will be held tomorrow. He was born at New Haven, Franklin County, Mo., March 28, 1835. In 1846 he crossed the plains to Oregon with his parents, locating in Yamhill County, near La Fayette. He moved to Monmouth, Polk County, in 1852, went East and studied medicine, returned to Oregon, and in 1855 came to Salem and began the practice of his profession, which he followed until early in the '80s, when he suffered a stroke of paralysis and was for 30 years an invalid. In 1901, at Monmouth, he married Pauline Whitson, who preceded him to the grave, and in 1881 he was married to Mamie Bonham, of this city, since deceased. He is survived by two children, Miss Beatrice Shelton and Roscoe Shelton.

had just returned to Warren from a trip to Thunder Mountain. He left the Dewey mine last Sunday morning. He reports that preparations are under way to start the mill shortly. Fred Irwin, the recently-appointed superintendent, arrived at the mine last week. The amalgamator and engineer are also there. The trail is now open to wagons from Collier to Warren. James O'Brien, who left Weiser about two weeks ago with two horses and a wagon and 1500 pounds of supplies, etc., went over Scotch Summit to Warren June 25. Daily stages will begin running from Meadows to Warren July 4. Mr. Brown places the number of persons in the camp at 2300 to 3000.

Oregon Mining Stock Exchange.

PORTLAND, June 28.

Table with columns: Yesterday's quotations, Bid, Asked. Lists various mining stocks like Alaska M. & N., Broun Monarch, etc.

Man Shot by Officer Dies.

WHATCOM, Wash., June 28.—Gerald E. Campbell, the man shot while resisting arrest yesterday by Policeman Frank Alford, died at 6 o'clock this afternoon. Dr. Biggs says that the autopsy, which will be held, will reveal the fact that Campbell died of concussion of the brain from the beating over the head given him by Officer Joseph, in his attempt to make him loosen his hold on Alford's pistol, rather than from the gunshot wound. A telegram was received today from Campbell's father, who is the Northern Pacific station agent at Black River Junction, Wash., stating that the dead man's mother was arriving tomorrow. Campbell was conscious until 3 o'clock this afternoon, but refused to make any statement.

Shaw Will See Pair Closes on Sunday

WHATCOM, Wash., June 28.—In answer to a telegram from the Epworth League conference of the Puget Sound district, asking him to refuse to permit the expenditure of moneys appropriated for the St. Louis Louisiana Purchase Exposition unless the following articles be accepted: President, Mrs. Ida Marsters, Roseburg; corresponding secretary, Mrs. H. R. Ferguson, Bismarck (postoffice Roseburg); recording secretary, Mrs. Zedie Bishop, Yencalia; treasurer, Mrs. Amy Merrim, Riddle. A considerable increase of membership is reported during the past year.

Art Contest for Goddess of Liberty.

SALEM, Or., June 28.—The contest for Goddess of Liberty for Salem's Fourth of July celebration is becoming interesting. The votes are canvassed daily and the contest will close at 3 P. M. Tuesday. Several of the fraternal orders of the city have candidates in the field. The count to date is as follows: Leona Ryan, 18; Maude Morrison, 15; Mollie Bernard, 11; Olive Howe, 10; Jeanette Barton, 10; Pearl Goulet, 9; Georgia Whittier, 8.

School Clerk's Bond Approved.

SALEM, Or., June 28.—The School Board, at a meeting tonight, approved the bond of District Clerk Joseph Baumgartner, for \$20,000, with A. Bush and Claude Gatch as sureties. Chairman Chamberlain announced the following committees, himself as chairman of each committee: Finance, Condit and Byrd; supplies, Fletcher and Davidson; insurance, Fletcher and Condit; repairs, Davidson and Byrd.

Brakeman Injured While at Work.

ROSEBURG, June 28.—William Blacklock, a S. P. R. R. brakeman, whose home is at Ashland, was thrown from a car by the sudden stopping of a freight train, while switching in the yards here yesterday. He sustained a bad fracture of the right wrist, and narrowly escaped being crushed beneath the wheels of the car.

Oregon City Brevities.

OREGON CITY, June 28.—A. S. Dresser, of this city, has been selected to deliver the oration on the Fourth of July at this place. Miss Veda Williams was today elected Goddess of Liberty for the Fourth of July. The contest has lasted several weeks, and is being interesting. Fourteen Cents for Hops. OREGON CITY, June 28.—August and Helen Roberts, this morning sold 350 pounds of hops from the Rothenberg yard, 2 1/2 miles southeast of Aurora, to H. J. Miller, of Aurora, for 14 cents per pound. General Quarantine Probable. PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., June 28.—The fortuener of what promises to be a

general quarantine order against the Nome country was issued today, when, upon the request of Dr. Foster, of the Quarantine Service, Collector Heustis issued instructions to his deputies here and in Seattle not to enter the steamship Senator until she was granted clearance. The Senator is reported to be quarantined at Sledge Island, near Nome, with two cases of smallpox aboard.

Northwest Railway Land Sales.

TACOMA, June 28.—The report of land sales of the Northern Pacific Railway Company for the fiscal year ending June 30, has been completed, showing an aggregate of 1,456,944 acres in the western district, comprising Washington, Idaho and Oregon. This is more than half a million acres more than last year's sales, and is a new record over all previous years, excluding from consideration the sale of 200,000 acres of timber lands in Western Washington sold in 1900. The greater part of the agricultural lands sold are in Eastern Washington, though the demand has been general throughout the state. Large areas of granite on file in Yakima, Kittitas and Douglas Counties have been sold to men engaged in sheep and cattle-raising. The recent sale of 18,000 acres of timber lands in Stevens and Stevens Counties to the mill companies in the vicinity of Spokane has about closed out the company's holdings in that section. During the last five years the land sales in the western district for each fiscal year have shown a marked increase over the former years, while the record for the year just closed has exceeded any previous record more than 50 per cent.

Motion for Change of Venue.

BAKER CITY, June 28.—The attorneys for the defense in the case of the State vs. Manny Howard gave notice of a motion for change of venue to Judge Eakin and Judge Eakin gave them until Monday to prepare and present their reasons why a change of venue should be granted. The defendant tried to get a change of venue at the last trial, but the motion was overruled. In the case of the State vs. E. C. McCarty, charged with horsestealing, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty. In the civil case of the Spokane Drug Company vs. Turner, which was tried yesterday afternoon, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the defendant.

Chinese Denied Admission.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., June 28.—Nine Chinese, claiming admission as laborers returning from China, were denied admission, and ordered arrested this afternoon by the customs officials, it being apparent in the majority of cases that their papers were irregular. Each purported to bear the signature of ex-Collector Saunders, but there was no record of the issuance of papers on file at the Custom-House. It is believed a crowd of contrabands were incited to make a rush at this time, when the office of collector is about to be turned over to C. W. Ide, the new appointee.

Wrecked on a River Islet.

NEW YORK, June 28.—In one of the fiercest northwesterly storms which has raged on the St. Lawrence River in years, Rev. Dr. Riley Ullman, of this city, and a Canadian boatman have been shipwrecked upon a rocky islet about three miles below the town of Gananoque, and just west of Stave Island, in Canadian waters. When the storm was at its height the power in Dr. Ullman's 35-foot naphtha launch gave out and the craft was thrown on the rocks by the waves. As Dr. Ullman jumped into the water to make an effort to save the boat he broke one of his legs above the knee. He was rescued by the boatman and pulled on the islet. For five hours the two men remained on

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