

THEY GROW FAST

Portland's Suburbs Showing a Healthy Increase.

NEW TOWNS EVERYWHERE

They Fringe the Metropolis of Oregon With Thriving Settlements Rapidly Forging Ahead to Municipal Rank.

Those who imagine that Portland is not growing should take a ride on any of the suburban car lines and have his mind disabused of that impression by going in almost any direction. Toward Lents, on the Mount Scott Railway, he will pass through a new section that contains not less than 1500 new houses, all put up within the past two years, but mostly within one year. After crossing the Powell Valley road the first new houses are seen, mostly small cottages, but with some pretentious dwellings, costing more than \$2000. It will be seen that this is a homebuilding section. The whole country is now planted with lots, extending to the southward for about two miles, and along the Powell Valley road for at least 1/2 miles. Roads, or streets, have been opened all through this section, and the paths are mostly gravelled. At Arieta, a tower 80 feet high has been put up, on which will stand a 100,000-gallon tank next Spring. This settlement, comprising many additions, probably embraces about 1000 acres. The cheapness of the lots has been the feature, with the possibility of owning a home. A few years ago the Mount Scott Railway did not pay and was operated at a loss. The line was shut down and actually went begging for somebody to run it, and so anxious were the builders to have it operated that they gave it away to the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company, which at first declined with thanks to accept it as a gift, but finally took it because the company wanted the gravel from the pit out on the road.

Will Be Double Tracked.

It is now a paying line, and will be double-tracked as soon as the company can make it, to meet the great traffic that has been developed along the line. This district has several private water companies, but George W. Brown and his associates will put in a big plant costing \$150,000 this summer to supplement the supply already being developed along the line. Last summer being part of this plan, if Portland ever extends its lines so as to take in the district in the southeast, it will run its boundaries eastward from Sellwood to Mount Scott and then northward to the Barr road, thence west to Portland, taking a small empire and territory that now contains 12,000 people and 2500 school children. It will likely be several years before Portland will want to scoop in this big territory, but it may come some time in the next ten years. At Arieta the school that two years ago was not dreamed of has 250 pupils, and Principal William Miller says that there are constant accessions. At Lents, where four-room buildings were built two years ago, the directors have been compelled to rent an outside room to accommodate the overflow. Another four-room annex will have to be built this summer. At Montaville the enrollment has reached 400, and in Mount Tabor District, No. 5 Professor Adams reports an attendance of 550. A new two-room building has just been completed in Center Addition, which contains 45 pupils. Here the suburbs have extended northward until they have reached Gravel Hill, two miles from Mount Tabor. The school extended from the Section Line road northward to the O. R. & N. line, a distance of 2 1/2 miles. The people are now asking the O. R. & N. Co. to give them a passenger and freight depot on the spur built there two years ago, and present figures to show that it will pay the company to do so. At Montaville 45 new houses are under construction. The space between Montaville and Center Addition is being cleared of small trees and covered with cottages. Between the electric railway and Mount Labor Contracted to build 12 cottages, but up 12 new cottages, and about as many have been erected by others in this locality. A good class of houses is being constructed in the center of the city, growing as fast as any suburb outside of the boundary lines of the city.

Extend Many Miles.

To get clear of the suburbs of Portland east one must now travel seven miles from the Willamette River. If he goes southeast he must travel at least eight miles to get well into the country, and beyond the fringe of settlements. In these suburbs, at Arieta and Montaville, there is some talk of organizing a committee for the purpose of getting local government, which will have the power to enforce order, get a water supply and the protection, then to wall until Portland extends its protecting arms around them, but the conservative element has blocked the movement in that direction. How long it can be withheld is not known, for the want of some authority to enforce order is felt very severely, but the opposition says it will cost too much to maintain local governments and thus increase taxation. The committee in the direction of Lents and at Montaville the residents are busy with home decorations. Little gardens may be seen about the most humble two-room cottage, where some effort is being made to cultivate some flowers. At a small cottage in a suburb partly completed, occupied by a man and wife and two children living in the two rooms, the owner of the property came to get that far out. "My wages do not average more than \$3 a day in town," he said, "and it cost me one-third to rent, and so I came out here, where I can own my own home. The rent man never comes here. We will finish up this house next year and have a little garden out there on one side of the cottage." This was practically the reason given by others in the same condition. Those homebuilders are enduring no small deprivations that they may own a home, have a garden of flowers and vegetables, and perhaps own some chickens.

St. Johns Not a Suburb.

St. Johns residents refuse to be called a suburb of Portland, and proclaim their ability to go it alone. If Portland wants to be annexed to St. Johns, they had good reason to say, "but if it does not want to get on the band wagon of progress it can stay out."

Just Now St. Johns Citizens are Laying the Foundation of a Great City, and they are beginning to feel the pressure of some of the coming responsibilities.

Rebels Must Go to Island Prison.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—It is announced that the officers condemned by the war council for participation in the recent rebellion will be imprisoned temporarily in the National Prison, says a dispatch from the Herald correspondent at Buenos Ayres. A sailing vessel is bound southward there until a transport vessel bound to the military prisons in the State Islands, near Terra del Fuego.

Maudie Gonne Will Not Make Up.

PARIS, Feb. 25.—The tribunal of the Seine today heard the preliminary application of Mrs. MacBride, former wife of George (the Irish) John of Arco, for a divorce from Major MacBride, who was a prominent member of the Irish Parliament.

of the Boer army in the recent war in South Africa. The efforts of the court to effect a reconciliation were unavailing, and Mrs. MacBride was given the custody of their infant pending a settlement of the case.

TO BE ST. PETERS OF GERMANY

Lutherans of All Nations Gather to Consecrate Berlin Cathedral.

DEATH TAKES SURVIVOR OF WHITMAN MASSACRE.

Mrs. Susan M. Wirt. One by one the pioneers of those stirring days of Oregon's early history are passing to the unknown future, and as each death is recorded, memories are revived of the part they took in exciting events. There are few of the survivors of the famous Whitman massacre of 1847 alive. The last to be taken by the hand of death was Mrs. Susan M. Wirt, of Portland, whose demise was on February 24.

At the time of the massacre, Mrs. Wirt, a girl of 16, was accompanying her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan S. Kimball, across the plains from Indiana to the territory of Lewis and Clark. The family were natives of the State of Vermont, where the subject of this sketch was born in 1830. Three years later they journeyed to Indiana, where they remained until the Spring of 1847. After untold hardships, the family reached Whitman Mission, near Walla Walla, late in the Fall, where they decided to remain for the Winter. The day before the massacre Mr. Kimball tried to convince Dr. Whitman that the Indians were planning a raid, but the doctor would not believe anything was wrong. The following afternoon the Indians began the awful battle, which resulted in the death of 18 men and one woman, Mrs. Wirt's father being one of the number. The Indians stole all that was of value to them, and left the wife and almost helpless women and children at the mission. For some time Mrs. Wirt remained with her mother at the mission, but finally came to Oregon City. Later, the mother of Mrs. Wirt married again, and the family settled upon a farm near Portland, where Mrs. Wirt resided until she was married, and came to Portland to live.

REPORTED AT DUTCH HARBOR

Mystery of Tacoma's Whereabouts Still Unsolved.

The blockade runner Tacoma, whose whereabouts is causing anxiety to her owners and others, and which was erroneously reported to have arrived at Meji, is said to have been at Dutch Harbor on January 26. This would make the time of the steamer from the Sound to Alaskan ports 20 days, while ordinarily it takes ten days, are required for the trip. Captain Brinklemann of the Northwestern Steamship Company, owners of the steamer, states that he is inclined to doubt the correctness of the message, saying that he did not see how it could possibly take the Tacoma such a length of time to reach Dutch Harbor.

Marine Notes.

The steamer South Bay sailed for San Francisco last night.

The French bark Targot, from Antwerp for Portland, was spoken in 19-20 south, 31 west, on Feb. 25.

The steamer Cascaed finished loading lumber at St. Johns yesterday and went down to Stella to complete her cargo with poles.

The schooner Zampa, 215 tons, has been sold by the Canadian Fish Company to the Alaska Coddish Company. The schooner San Buenaventura, 172 tons, has been sold by D. Stephens to Woodside, Ejerom & Co. for the trade between San Francisco and Sitka.

The schooner Joseph Russ, 235 tons, has been sold by the Pacific Shipping Company to the Robinson Fisheries Company, of Anacortes.

The British ship Pylone, which has been off the river for several days, failed to cross in yesterday as was expected. She is coming from Antwerp to Taylor, Young & Co., and has aboard 28 cases of mineral water, 1247 bars and bundles of iron, 109 casks of whiskey, 55 cases of gin, 100 casks of tar, olive oil, curry powder, Scotch herring, vinegar, pickles, Jam, 478 slider rails, 250 packages of fish plates, four cases of granite, 1942 packages of strawboard, 324 steel beams, 16,500 barrels of cement and a quantity of coke.

Domestic and Foreign Ports.

ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 25.—Left up at 8 A. M. Schooners Andy Malony and C. A. Kline, arrived at 10 A. M. from San Francisco, from San Pedro, and Beulah, from San Francisco. Condition of the bar at 8 P. M. obscured; wind, northwest; weather, cloudy and foggy.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Arrived at 10:30 A. M.—Steamer Roscoe, from Portland and coast ports; for Port Los Angeles, sailed—Whaling steamer, Redwax, for whaling grounds; British steamer, Celtic, for Hong Kong; via Yokohama. Cleared—British steamer Brinkburn, for Yokohama. Arrived—Steamer Numantia, from Puget Sound; British steamer Wellington, from Ladymilk; sailed—Steamer Nevada, for Tacoma; steamer Mentor, for Seattle.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Arrived—Schooners Trava, Bluhm, from San Francisco, Golden Shore, from Guaymas for orders; tug John Cudahy, sailed—Steamer Coronado, for San Francisco.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Arrived—Carrabia, from Trieste; Philadelphia, from Southampton.

SENATE OPPOSES MUNICIPAL GAS. NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Plans of the city of Paris have been defeated in the Senate, according to a Herald dispatch from Paris. A bill was rejected by that body. It had been passed by the Chamber of Deputies and had been approved by the Paris Municipal Council.

NUMANTIA IN GALES

Liner Has Stormy Trip Across Pacific.

BRINGS ONLY HALF A CARGO

Chinese Crew Desert Vessel at Kobe—Whereabouts of Steamer Tacoma Still a Mystery—Reported at Dutch Harbor.

The steamer Numantia, of the Portland & Asiatic line, arrived at her dock at 1:30 P. M. yesterday, having been delayed several hours coming up by the thick fog on the river. She brought a very light cargo, not more than half of her space being filled. The freight consists principally of matting, tea, rice and Japanese goods.

The officers report an unusually rough passage across the Pacific, which port she left on February 7. Heavy swells with gales from the northeast and southeast were encountered all the way. There was much snow and hail while skirting the Aleutian Islands. In spite of the disagreeable weather, their experiences were less severe than on the last voyage out from Portland, when a hurricane made operations strenuous indeed. Huge seas on that occasion washed the decks of the ship and the force of the waves was so great to smash in the rail on the bridge. Five sailors were washed aft, but fortunately managed to save themselves before going overboard. One of the men had several ribs broken and another suffered a fracture of the leg above the knee, which required surgical attention at a time when even the officers were unable to stand upright in the cabin. On neither the outward nor inward voyages was any serious damage done to the ship.

When the Numantia reached Kobe bound this way, the Chinese crew that shipped at Hong Kong deserted in a body and their places had to be filled by Japanese. In the words of the officers, the new men are a lot of "cripples," all the able-bodied part of the male working population having been sent to the wharves to be put in command of the same officers that were on her last trip except Purser Brinklemann, who was relieved at Yokohama and ordered home to Germany.

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Tramp's Club Stuns Youth.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 25.—Thomas Wharton, a youth of 20, was nearly killed today by an unknown tramp near Vancouver, a few miles from Vancouver. Wharton was walking along the railway track, when the tramp called to him to give up all the money he had. Wharton tried to get away, but the tramp hit him with a stick. Wharton was unconscious when found and was brought to the hospital. A posse of police is hunting for the tramp.

Judge Favors Fish Company.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Feb. 25.—Litigation against the Pacific American Fisheries Company for alleged violation of the law in operating fishtraps through subsidiary corporations, was disposed of today by the Superior Court of Whatcom County is concerned. Judge Neterer sustained the demurrer of the defendants that the court has no jurisdiction in the matter pending before him. He held that the act was brought last Fall by E. J. White and others, who sought to annul the licenses.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Feb. 25.—Maximum temperature, 64 deg.; minimum, 45. River reading at 11 A. M., 25.00 feet; at 10 P. M., 25.00 feet. Total precipitation, 5 P. M. to 6 P. M., none; total since September 1, 1904, 22.36 inches; normal, 51.90; deficiency, 9.54. Total sunshine February 24, 1905, 9 hours and 22 minutes; possible, 10 hours and 22 minutes. Barometer (reduced to sea level), at 5 P. M., 30.11.

PACIFIC COAST WEATHER.

Table with columns for Station, Direction, Force, and Remarks. Includes data for Baker City, Hermack, Eugene, Astoria, etc.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Fair and moderately warm weather continues this evening in the North Pacific States and in California. No rain is reported at any station west of the Rocky Mountains, although clouds are increased at scattered localities in Oregon and Washington.

There has been a decided fall in pressure west of the Cascades during the last 12 hours, and a storm is apparently approaching this district from the ocean. It is not definitely defined as yet to be given a great deal of weight in the forecast, but the indications are that the entrance to the Strait of Juan de Fuca will be closed by clouds, followed by rain in Western Oregon and Western Washington by Sunday afternoon or night.

Forecast made at Portland at 8 P. M. for 24 hours ending at midnight, February 26: Portland and vicinity—Fair, followed by increasing cloudiness and showers during the afternoon or evening; cooler, winds becoming southerly. Western Oregon—Increasing cloudiness, followed by occasional rain; cooler; winds becoming southerly; high along the coast and the entrance to the Strait of Juan de Fuca. Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and Idaho—Fair. A. B. WOLLBAER, Acting District Forecaster.

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Glisan street, between Sixth and Seventh. Fine hotel site. Cement sidewalk. Excavation made for cellar.

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ion; Etruria, from Liverpool and Queens-town, sailed—Welman, for Naples and Genoa; St. Louis, for Southampton, via Plymouth and Cherbourg; Campania, for Liverpool; Graf Waldersee, for Hamburg, via Dover. Reported by wireless telegraph, of Nantucket Lightship—LaBretagne, from Havre. Plymouth, Feb. 25.—Arrived—New York, for Cherbourg and Southampton, and proceeded. Cherbourg, Feb. 25.—Sailed—St. Paul, from Southampton, for New York. Dover—Sailed—Zealand, from Antwerp, for New York. Antwerp, Feb. 25.—Sailed—Zealand, for New York. Southampton, Feb. 25.—Sailed—St. Paul, for New York, via Cherbourg; Boulogne, Feb. 25.—Arrived—Statendam, from New York, for Rotterdam, and proceeded. Manchester—Sailed Feb. 24.—Caledonian, for Boston. Liverpool—Sailed Feb. 24.—Cevic, for New York; Feb. 24.—Chronia, for New York. Glasgow—Sailed Feb. 24.—Hungarian, for Portland; Monahan, for New York. Rotterdam, Feb. 25.—Sailed—Amsterd., for Newport News. Havre, Feb. 25.—Sailed—La Lorraine, for New York. Naples—Arrived Feb. 22.—Citta di Napoli, from New York.

Woodmen Arouse Albany.

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The membership campaign of the Woodmen of the World, Albany chapter, was inaugurated last night in one of the greatest demonstrations ever seen here. Over 1000 members took part in the illuminated parade. Many illuminated teams, seven bands, fireworks and a large crowd marked the occasion. The Mayor of the city presented Manager Hawley with a key to the city. Over 400 new members were received as a result of the membership campaign. Teams from Salem, Corvallis and Albany did degree work in as many halls. Following the degree work, Mr. Hawley delivered a memorial address in honor of the late Head Consul Falkenberg.

Vertigo Seizes Captain Gore.

KALAMA, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Captain George E. Gore, master of the transfer boat at Kalama, was seized with vertigo late last night and fell to the floor unconscious. Dr. Sims was called and remained with the patient all night. It was at first thought that the Captain had suffered a paralytic stroke, but happily that was not the case. The trouble proved to be acute indigestion which aggravated a chronic heart trouble. His life was despaired of for several hours, but he is now thought to be out of danger.

Baker City Plants Sold.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Isaac Anderson returned tonight from the East. He announces the purchase of the Baker City gas, electric light and power properties for \$400,000 by Cyrus Pierce, of Philadelphia, Halsey & Co. and associates. The new company plans to increase the capacity of the gas plant to 100,000 cubic feet per day and will increase the transmission lines to reach more mines with electric power. The same owners will put in a gas plant at Pendleton with a capacity of 50,000 cubic feet daily.

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THE KING OF BLOOD PURIFIERS SSS. In every collection of things there is a superior one that stands above all the rest and is known as the best, or king of its class. By its record of forty years of cures S. S. S. has demonstrated its superiority over all other blood purifiers and is known and recognized everywhere as the best—The King of Blood Purifiers. The people everywhere endorse it, and there are few homes where this great remedy is not known and used, and today there are thousands in all parts of the country who have been cured of diseases by its use and who are daily recommending it to those who are in need of a blood purifier. It has held the confidence of the public for this long period of time, and is more in favor now than ever before, because it does all that is claimed for it, and "S. S. S. for the blood" has grown to be a household saying. One of its greatest claims to the title of "The King of Blood Purifiers" is that it is purely vegetable, being made entirely from roots, herbs and barks of the forests and fields, selected for their purifying and healing action on the blood and their fine tonic properties for building up and strengthening the entire system. Not so with the usual blood medicines, for they contain Potash and other strong mineral ingredients that derange the stomach and digestion and otherwise damage the health. Bad blood is responsible for most of the ailments of mankind. When from any cause the Liver, Kidneys, Bowels or other organs of bodily waste become torpid, dull or sluggish in their action, and fail to carry out the poisons which are being constantly formed in the system, these poisons are absorbed by the blood. As this vital fluid is the very life of the body, nourishing and supplying strength, through its circulation, to every muscle, nerve, bone and tissue, disease in some form is sure to follow when it becomes contaminated. Eczema, Tetter, Acne, Pimples, Boils, etc., while they show on the skin have an underlying cause which is far deeper—a poisoned blood supply—and until this is corrected and the blood made pure and strong, the distressing itching and burning as well as the disfiguring, humiliating symptoms will remain to torment the sufferer. No amount of salves, washes, skin foods, rouge, etc., can reach the trouble; a real blood remedy is required. S. S. S. cures these and all other skin diseases, and when it has cleansed the blood of the poisons and impurities it cures permanent and lasting. Rheumatism, Catarrh, Scrofula, Chronic Sores or Ulcers and Contagious Blood Poison are all deep-seated blood diseases. When the blood becomes contaminated with the poisons producing these diseases, the entire circulation grows polluted and vitiated, and these painful and dangerous diseases will continue to grow worse until this vital fluid is cleansed and made strong and healthy again. In all these disorders S. S. S. has proved itself a perfect remedy, and has well earned the title of "The King of Blood Purifiers." It goes down into the blood and forces out all poison of every kind, all waste and foreign matter, and makes it pure and health-sustaining as nature intended, curing the disease permanently. Nothing reaches inherited blood taint or old chronic troubles like S. S. S., and being a strictly vegetable remedy it can be taken by old or young without fear of bad after-effects or injury in any way to the system. Not only is S. S. S. a blood purifier and system builder of the highest order, but a tonic and appetizer without an equal, and is unexcelled in cases of general debility, loss of appetite, weakness, that tired, run-down condition, lack of energy and force, and other distressing complaints common to Spring and Summer months. If you have any blood trouble write us about it, stating the case fully, and our physicians will help you to get rid of it by free medical advice and will send books on the different diseases, which contain valuable information, without charge. THE SWIFT SPECIFIC COMPANY, ATLANTA, GA.