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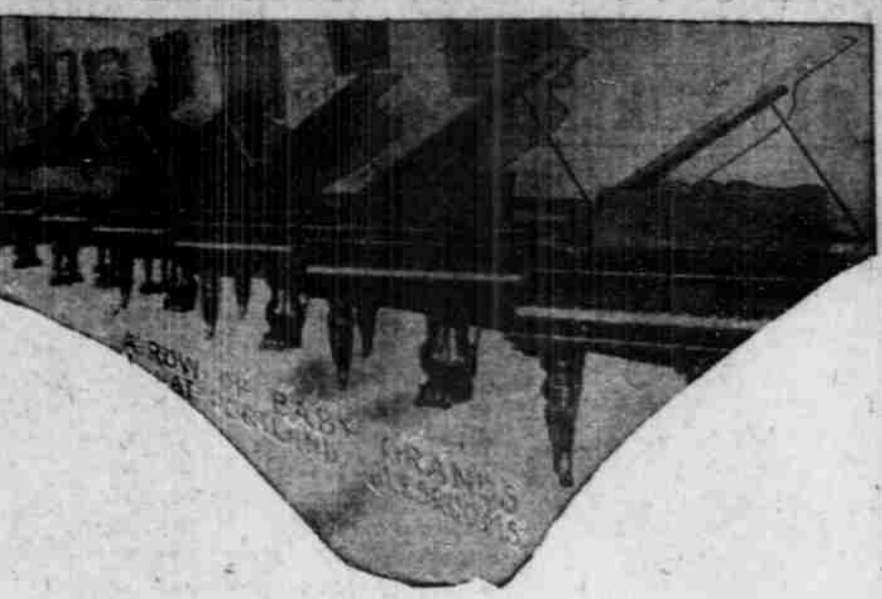
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NEBRASKA AT EXPOSITION

MAKES WONDERFUL EXHIBIT OF CORN AND GRASSES.

Films of Moving Pictures Are Used to Show Life on the Ranches.

The Nebraska Pavilion and Corn Palace in the Agricultural building at the Exposition is in reality the state headquarters for the Nebraska Commission, visiting Nebraskans and sightseers.

The pavilion itself was designed by Thomas R. Kimball, of Omaha, a member of the Board of Architects for the St. Louis Exposition. It is Italian in its style of architecture, resembling a summer villa surrounded by a colonnade. The color scheme is chocolate and burnt orange, producing a striking effect.

Here are to be found reception rooms for visitors, reading room with the latest newspapers from Nebraska, easy chairs and settees, and all conveniences for the comfort of visitors.

The center of the building is occupied by a little theater seating several hundred persons, where moving picture exhibitions are given illustrating the resources of the State. Ten sets of films are shown, each representing some industry of Nebraska. One depicts the life of the farmer from early sowing time through the corn-planting, harvesting and having seasons; the orcharding period to corn-picking in the Fall. Another series represents the cattle industry, from the feed lot to the stockyards and the packing houses of South Omaha. Another series show cattle scenes upon the ranches in the western part of the State, the growth of alfalfa, the poultry and dairy life, the raising of sugar beets and manufacture of the product into sugar. Several films show scenes taken at the State Fair and the Aksarben festivities at Omaha. One of the most notable pictures is that of the late President McKinley at the Trans-Mississippi Exposition at Omaha. This is one of the very few moving pictures of the late President in existence. These moving picture exhibitions, which are free, are now attended daily by hundreds of people and are creating the same enthusiasm that they produced at St. Louis last Summer.

In this Nebraska Pavilion is also exhibited a magnificent display of corn, over 81 varieties of field corn, sweet corn, popcorn and flint corn are shown in all their various colorings.

In addition to this display of corn, the Nebraska Commission has also installed an exhibit of the very best wheat and threshed grain found in the State, and a collection of grasses numbering over 180 varieties.

Nebraska won over 500 medals on its agricultural products at St. Louis last year, and proposes to give the competing States at the Lewis and Clark Exposition a hard run for their awards. It is already conceded that in corn and native grasses

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Nebraska will have everything its own way, while it will be a close competitor for all kinds of small grains.

In the center of the Nebraska exhibit room is the mounted hide of the champion prize steer of the world, "Challenger." The animal won its awards at the International State Show in Chicago over competitors from all parts of the world as the finest type of beef steer shown. The sale of its meat, and its many prizes aggregated \$100 to the University of Nebraska, which exhibited the animal as an example of what proper feeding of balanced rations will do in fattening cattle. The Nebraska Commission is planning to entertain a great number of visitors from the State during the next few weeks. During the present week more than 20 lumbermen will attend the Exposition and be entertained in the Nebraska theater. The latter part of the month a large number of the delegates to the National Good Roads Convention will arrive. The delegates appointed by the Governor of Nebraska for this convention are: John Grant, George W. Craig, George L. Campen, W. P. Freeman, Hon. Wm. Ernst, H. J. Burket, Henry T. Clark, Major T. S. Clarkson, R. G. Douglas, Hon. H. M. Detrick, H. G. Shedd, Hon. George L. Loomis, Hon. Wm. P. Warner, A. J. Webb, John A. Wakefield, W. A. Apperson, L. A. Varner, H. M. Bushnell, L. C. Peters.

Early in July, 500 representatives of the various commercial clubs of the State will attend the Exposition, and will be properly entertained by the Nebraska Commission.

George L. Loomis and H. G. Shedd, members of the Commission, are now in the city, and W. P. Warner, President of the Commission, will arrive shortly, when all three will spend several weeks at the Exposition in looking after Nebraska's interests.

George C. Shedd, the Exposition officer of the Commission, who recently underwent an operation at the Good Samaritan Hospital, is much improved, and will return to his duties at the Nebraska headquarters within a week or two days.

Deserted for a Messenger Boy.
LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 17.—(Special.)—T. I. Brown, a deserted husband, followed his wife from San Jose today, half wrought up over her conduct. At his instigation, two police officers found the recent young woman lying with a messenger boy named Dumhold at the Grand Pacific House. She refused to leave him. Brown went with the officers to the house and implored the woman to return with him, but she coldly refused.

It developed that she had given the messenger a \$50 ring she had stolen from her aunt in San Jose. The ring was recovered at the boy's home, on Macy street. Both were locked up. The police were much exercised over the case and will make an effort to reconcile the wife and the husband.

Rain Causes Flood in Minnesota.
ST. PAUL, June 17.—Reports from the surrounding country tell of the heaviest rainfall during the past 12 hours that has been known for years. The railroad reports was known with a number of bridges out.

MAY GET PEACE PARLEY

PORTLAND WOULD INVITE JAPS AND RUSSIANS.

President to Be Wired to Suggest This City as the Meeting Place.

Will Portland have the honor of entertaining the Russo-Japanese Peace Commission when it meets to settle the questions existing between the two belligerent nations? A movement is on foot to bring the commission here and today or tomorrow telegrams will be sent to President Roosevelt by Governor Chamberlain, President Goode, of the Exposition, Mayor Williams and other prominent citizens urging that the suggestion be made to the mem-

Washington to the effect that the commission would first assemble in the National capital and then adjourn to assemble at some sea coast watering place was under discussion and it was suggested that Portland would be the ideal Coast point at which to hold the meeting.

It was therefore decided that telegrams be sent to the President urging the claim of Portland for the honor and asking his co-operation and suggestion with the other members of the commission.

In his presentation of the case to the President, Governor Chamberlain, as well as the other gentlemen, will urge the fact that Portland is the ideal place for such a meeting. The climate is perfect, the accommodations are ample, buildings suitable for the sessions of the commission could be easily secured, the geographical location is most convenient, and in addition to all of this the Exposition would be a great attraction.

It is probable that the Chamber of Commerce and the other organizations of the city will take the matter up in

INDIAN MYTH ON BEESWAX

HOW THE NEHALEM LEGEND HAD ITS ORIGIN.

This Geologist Has Investigated the Subject, and He Seems to Know What He is Talking About.

PORTLAND, June 17.—(To the Editor.)—At different times there have appeared in your paper articles and letters written by various individuals in regard to the Nehalem beeswax, so called. It seems to me it is high time for this substance to be known in its true nature and freed from the folk-lore and visionary and imaginary Indian. To the layman it is beeswax, for the simple reason that that is the only wax coming within his knowledge. To the same man all crystals are identical, yet the mineralogist can discriminate by crystallography alone.

Of all the arguments brought forth to prove the beeswax story, the greater part of the same have depended upon the Indian legend of the stranded ship and its buried treasure for sustentation.

I don't think Mr. Rogers ever intended his book on this subject to be accepted as a fact, for Indian stories, nine times out of ten, are myths. There are several discrepancies in the book, one of which pertains to the piece of wax, or stone, with engraving thereon. This carving is a letter W with a cross on each side; below this the word Dios, of which the letter D is missing; below this an arrow, if a Spaniard put those markings on that substance, why did he use the letter W to indicate West? There is no such letter in the Spanish alphabet, and the words meaning West in Spanish are oeste, poniente and occidente. I do know, however, of one old gentleman in the Tillamook county who has such faith in the Indian story of buried treasure that in looking for the same he has done enough work to develop a mine.

Concerning the mineral wax, sea wax, or Nehalem beeswax, as it is called in different localities, is simply the base of a high-grade petroleum, such as is found in California. In California the base is asphaltum, consequently the oil in that region is of a lower grade. Osmocrite is not a true mineral, as its composition varies slightly, yet it is mentioned in most works on mineralogy. It is of the carbon group and can only be distinguished from beeswax (mainly a salt of palmitic acid) by chemical analysis. Paraffin is a refined osmocrite. The Smithsonian Institution, as well as two of the best chemists in Portland have pronounced this substance osmocrite. A wholesale drug company of this city at one time purchased this compound for beeswax, but they don't do it now. A manufacturer of paint and varnishes who uses beeswax in his compounds, after a trial of Nehalem beeswax, went back to the genuine article. You pointed out not long ago in an editorial that the remains of bees had been found in this substance.

LEAPS FROM HOUSE-TOP

DRINK-CRAZED MAN FALLS HEAD-LONG TO DESTRUCTION.

Thomas Costello, of San Francisco, Tried Water the Night Before, But Found It Too Cold.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 17.—(Special.)—Startling with maniacal glee and raising his hands above his head as if about to jump into a tank of water, Thomas Costello leaped high into the air from the roof in the rear of 347 Greenwich street this morning and when the horrified neighbors rushed to his assistance, he was past all human aid.

Costello was an iron molder by trade and lived with his sister-in-law, Mrs. McDonald, at 714 1/2 Lombard street. He told what he had done and was given dry clothing. Shortly before midnight he was taken to the home of an aunt, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, next door to the house from which he jumped this morning.

About 8:30 this morning he was seen by Mrs. De Lorusa, of 338 Greenwich street climbing to the roof of her residence upon a ladder he had raised from the porch of Mrs. Fitzpatrick's house. She ran around to the rear of the house to see what the man who had climbed to her roof had done. Then she found Costello's body.

A number of children playing in the street saw Costello climb upon the roof, stand a moment on the edge and then dive off. They ran into the yard in the rear of the house at 339 Greenwich street, arriving beside the man's body before Mrs. De Lorusa. They, too, shouted for help and the entire neighborhood was aroused. Nearly every bone in Costello's body was broken by the fall. Death was instantaneous.

Canada's Allen Labor Law Void.
TORONTO, Ont., June 17.—Judge Anglin today gave out his decision in the case of the two American railway employees arrested for alleged violation of the alien labor act. The Judge declares the act is ultra vires, consequently the deportation ordered by the Dominion government of these two men cannot be enforced.

Fire, caused by lightning, destroyed the Wisconsin Veneer Company's factory at Rhinelander, Wis., yesterday. Loss, \$150,000.

WHAT COULD OUR OWN NAVY DO IF ---?

Read The Oregonian Next Sunday and Then You Can Make a Good Estimate.

You have undoubtedly asked yourself and others that question numerous times since you read how Togo sent the Russian fleet to the bottom of the sea of Japan in a two days' fight. You have had brought home to you, as never before, the importance of the Navy. Therefore:

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The answer in cold facts and figures will be published in a most interesting article in the next issue of The Sunday Oregonian. But they are not dull facts and figures. They are hot with interest to every red-blooded American. And they contain many surprises. For example, how many Americans know that within three years we shall have 25 battleships; that the Navy itself has been quadrupled in seven years; and that the 1413 great guns which we shall soon have ready for any emergency on our floating fortresses will almost equal in weight the entire tonnage of the Navy we possessed at the beginning of the War of 1812?

But read the answer for yourself; and then, the next time someone asks you, "What could our own Navy do, if---?" you will be able to give a reply that will make his backbone thrill with pride, and cause him to have no fear about what the Navy would do, if---

bers of the commission, when they assemble in Washington to make preliminary arrangements for their conference, that they adjourn to Portland.

Yesterday afternoon at a luncheon given by Mr. Goode at the Arlington Club, the matter of inviting the commission to make Portland its headquarters came up for discussion and the project was started. The report from

sympathy with the inaugurators of the plan and co-operate in whatever may be done to induce the President to use his influence in bringing the meeting to Portland.

Boston took a holiday yesterday to celebrate Bunker Hill day, with a parade of militia and blue jackets and outdoor sports.

WILL NOT START ATLANTIC LINE

LONDON, June 17.—A. S. Williams, manager of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, in an interview with a representative of the Associated Press today said that the report that the company contemplated placing a line of passenger steamers between Southampton and New York was erroneous. He said that this service was already more than provided for, and that his company would not attempt to compete with the big concerns now engaged in that trade.