

WILL OPPOSE

Berlin Papers Say We Shall Not Annex the Philippines.

INSURGENT LOSSES

Shaffer to Remain at Santiago de Cuba.

OTHER ITEMS.

BERLIN, Germany, July 23.—Today's newspapers say that the powers will positively oppose American annexation of the Philippine Islands.

LONDON, England, July 23.—The insurgents are reported to have received heavy losses in the Philippine Islands last Monday. The Spanish soldiers fought bravely.

PORTLAND, Or, July 23.—Baker City volunteers arrived here this morning. They were enthusiastically received by the citizens.

NEWPORT NEWS, July 23.—United States troops from Chickamauga, bound for Porto Rico, arrived today.

KEY WEST, Fla., July 23.—General Shaffer will remain at Santiago de Cuba until the yellow fever patients recover. No deaths had occurred today up to noon.

LONDON, England, July 23.—Fort Malate guns fired on the Americans at Manila last Wednesday.

ANOTHER KLONDIKE VESSEL.
Special to the Guard.
Portland, Oregon, July 23.—The grand lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen adjourned today after one of the most harmonious and enthusiastic meetings ever held.

Atlanta, Ga., July 22.—Georgia gave the Ex-Confederates a grand reception today.

Seattle, Wash., July 22.—Skagway is still under martial law. The thugs and gamblers are leaving the town at a lively rate.

Wilmington, D C, July 22.—The jury in the United States Senator Kenney's bribery case was charged by the judge this morning.

Victoria, B C, July 22.—Another St Michaels vessel arrived today. She brought a number of Klondikers, who had \$60,000 with them.

WHALING FLEET CRUSHED.
Eight Vessels Destroyed—Five Men Lost.

Special to the Guard.
Ottawa, July 23.—Word has been received here that eight out of a fleet of eleven whaling vessels were crushed by ice in the Arctic ocean. Five lives were lost.

BOTH LEGS LOST.

A Hobo Falls Under the Train at Comstock This Morning.

Special to the Guard.
Comstock, Ore July 23.—A man about 46 years of age, giving the name of Frank Frohm, while attempting to beat his way north on No. 15 overland this morning, slipped and fell, the train passing over both legs crushing them in a horrible manner from the knees down.
Frohm says he has a sister in San Francisco and his mother, Mary Frohm, resides at Vallejo, Calif.
County Judge Lyons was notified and summoned a physician from Roseburg who came down on the local train this morning, to give assistance to the injured man.

PENSION VOUCHERS.

Commissioner Evans Says Fraud Will Be Prosecuted.

A CIRCULAR LETTER.

Frank Reiser, of this city, grand commander of the G. A. R. for the department of Oregon, is in receipt of a letter from H. Clay Evans, commissioner of the department of the interior for the bureau of pensions, giving strict notice to all pensioners that the law must be fulfilled in every regard. Following is the letter in full:

DEAR SIR: Recent investigation had by this Bureau to ascertain the methods employed by public officials in executing pension vouchers, has demonstrated an almost total disregard of the laws and regulations governing the subject.

It is clearly evidenced that the illegal, lax, indifferent and perfunctory procedure now extant has become a menace to the proper and safe conduct of the affairs of this Bureau, so far as it relates to the payment of pensions, and special efforts are contemplated to correct the existing abuses.

While it is believed that many officials who assist in the execution of pension vouchers have no conception of their criminal liability in the premises, it is equally certain that many others to secure an advantage in the numerical number of their clientele, knowingly and wilfully resort to violations of the law.

To the end that the former class may profit by this notice, this circular is issued.

There can be no justification in the prevalent haste and laxity existing in many offices, by which post-dating, false certification, false claim and "stock" witnesses have become a factor in the administration and acknowledgment of pension vouchers.

It is the intention of this Bureau, where the facts warrant such action, to institute criminal proceedings against the parties who indulge in these illegal and irregular practices and they are warned accordingly.

By following strictly the instructions printed on each voucher, the matters complained of may be entirely remedied.

Very respectfully,
H. CLAY EVANS,
Commissioner.

BROKEN BOOM.

400 Logs go Down the Willamette but Are Captured.

Daily Guard, July 23.
About 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon the boom of the Eugene Lumber Co parted from its moorings on the south side and before it could be brought back 400 logs got away and started down the river. The Sladden rifle a mile below the mill, served as a good check and with the exception of one big log which managed to roll over the mill it was captured and returned. The mill is now rushed with orders, as the building season is at its height.

POLICE COURT.

Two Cases Disposed of This Morning.

L. C. Smith was brought before Police Judge Dorris this morning and fined \$4.00 on the charge of being drunk and disorderly.

Hermann Lockwood, an illiterate German of the genus hobo, was arrested last evening and brought before the police tribunal this morning, charged with indecent exposure. He was given six days on the streets. He wandered through the eastern part of town yesterday afternoon, and his actions were particularly offensive. He should be severely dealt with.

CLEANING UP.—Mining Journal: The Sterling mine, on Sterling creek Jackson county closed down June 30. The fine water supply of this company enabled them to run some time after all other hydraulic mines in that section were closed. Henry Ankeny, who is in charge of the mine, is getting things ready for the clean up. It will take about 20 men some six or eight weeks to clean up, as there are some three or four acres of bedrock to go over carefully besides the sluices, in order that all the gold may be secured.

PASTOR SECURED.—The First Presbyterian church of this city has secured for the next few months the service of Rev. E. A. Holdridge, of Portland, Pacific Coast Evangelist for the Presbyterian church. Mr. Holdridge is known as a strong and successful worker. He is expected to arrive with his family the last of this month and will occupy the old Watters residence south of town. Mr. Templeton, who has been filling the vacancy, will take a month's vacation, and then return to California to conclude his theological studies, which will require another year.

POSTPONED.

Claud Branton's Examination Will Be Held August 1.

DEMANDED A TRIAL.

Daily Guard, July 22.
At 8 o'clock last evening Claude Branton was brought before Justice Wintermeier at the court house and formally charged with the murder of J. A. Linn, in the following information certified to by Deputy Sheriff H. J. Day, who placed Branton under arrest.

In the Justice's court for the district of Eugene, county of Lane, state of Oregon.

State of Oregon, plff. vs. Claude Branton, deft.

Claude Branton, defendant above named, is accused by H. J. Day by this complaint, of the crime of murder, committed as follows, to-wit: He the said Claude Branton, on the 15th day of June, A. D. 1898, in the county of Lane and state of Oregon, then and there being, did then and there unlawfully, feloniously, purposely and of deliberate and premeditated malice kill one John Linn by then and there unlawfully shooting him, the said John Linn, with a certain pistol, contrary to the statutes of the state of Oregon in such cases made and provided.

H. J. DAY.

District Attorney Geo. M. Brown and Deputy L. T. Harris represented the state and Attorneys L. Blyeu and H. D. Norton for the defendant.

When the complaint was read to the prisoner he entered a plea of not guilty and demanded an examination.

Frank Payne was the only witness called. He is a Crook county stock man, and his testimony in substance was:

That he first saw Claude Branton and talked with him on the desert, three or four miles east of Cobb's, east of the Cascades, on the 10th of June and Frank Branton was with him; saw him next on the 11th near the same place; saw Claude next at Cobb's barn on June 15th at 7 a. m.; next time I met Claude he was between Alder springs and the Indian cove, the scene of the murder and he was mounted on one of Linn's saddle horses and was going to warms Eastern Oregon; nobody was with him; I talked with him 25 or 30 minutes and asked him about the horses he drove across the mountains and where the horses were that he had at Cobb's on the 15th.

I first saw Linn on June 14th at Cobb's, and talked with him some; he left with the others on the 15th. Courtney Green and Clarence Branton came to Cobb's with Linn.

Clarence Branton left Cobb's alone with the horses on the morning of the 15th of June; saw him on the 16th near Sisters post office, two and one half miles east of the crossing of Squaw Creek going eastward.

Saw Mrs. Branton and her son Fred on the 13th at Squaw Creek.

Distances: From crossing of Squaw Creek to Cobb's one-half mile; from Squaw Creek to Alder Springs 20 or 24 miles.

After Mr. Payne's testimony had been taken, upon the request and by the consent of both parties the examination was postponed until Monday August 1, at 1 o'clock p. m.

Payne's testimony is for the purpose, we suppose, merely to locate the parties at the different places on the dates given.

ATTORNEYS RETAINED.

Attorneys Geo. A. Dorris and L. L. Stevens have been retained as counsel for Courtney Green, who is charged with helping to dispose of the body of Linn.

NOTES.

Sheriff W. W. Withers and Deputy Prosecuting Attorney L. T. Harris started out on a trip this forenoon subpoenaing witnesses for the Branton preliminary examination which is to take place Monday, August 1st.

A reporter of the GUARD was shown the prisoners Branton and Green in the county jail today. Branton is jovial, smiling and full of humorous sayings. One would not think he was confined charged with a fiendish murder. Green seems more thoughtful and confinement is beginning to show upon him.

THE BULL WON.—Junction Times: Elmer Jordan, of Franklin Lane county, had an adventure the other day. He was wheeling along the road when he encountered a bull. The bull refused any portion of the right of way and Elmer didn't feel disposed to surrender the full highway so he sailed in. When he gathered himself up out of the brush, he discovered his wheel hanging on the fence with the front wheel doubled up like a wire basket. Aside from sundry scratches and a number of bruises, he was not much hurt. The last seen of the bull he was going down the lane walking in the middle of the road.

FREDERIC S. DUNN

Elected Associate Professor of Latin in University of Oregon.

AN HONOR WELL DESERVED.

Professor Frederic S. Dunn, now holding the chair of languages and ancient history in the Willamette University, Salem, has been elected to the chair of associate professor of Latin in the University of Oregon, working with Prof. J. W. Johnson, who has held this chair since 1876.

The selection of a suitable person for this newly created chair was placed in the hands of a special committee from the board of regents, its personnel being President Henry Failing, and A. G. Hovey and D. P. Thompson, who are members of the executive committee. The specified work of this committee was to decide whether the establishment of such a chair was necessary, and if so to adjust equitably the salary of the professor and associate. Professor Dunn will be placed on a salary of \$1000 per year, and Professor Johnson's salary is by this act reduced from \$2000 a year to \$1800 per year.

[Frederic S. Dunn is a son of the late F. B. Dunn, one of the pioneer merchants and progressive business men of this city, and was born and reared to manhood in Eugene. In 1892 he graduated from the University of Oregon with the degree A. B. He was an especially brilliant student in the dead languages, ancient history and mythology, and to Prof. Johnson is due not a little credit for the advancement of Prof. Dunn in this line. To none will it give more pleasure than to Prof. Johnson to learn that his former student has been selected as his associate. Prof. Dunn went to Harvard university graduating with high honors in his chosen study in 1895. The next fall he was selected for the professorship in Willamette university which he now holds.]

His work of an educator has been successful to a degree rarely attained by a man of his age, attracting more than local interest and it is with pleasure that the university and Eugene will welcome him back.]

AN OREGON DIVINE.—Woodburn Independent: Rev. J. A. B. Lovett, A. M., Ph. D., president of the Montezuma University, Bessemer, Alabama, writing, July 4th, 1898, to Rev. L. R. Bond, D. D., a citizen of our town and for nearly two years pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian church here, says: "I am promised my new catalogue in a few days now. Soon as out I will mail you a copy. Be glad to have you say to the papers of the western country that the Montezuma University has, without solicitation, conferred on you the degree of Doctor of Divinity." Dr. Bond is one of the best known pastors in his church in the state and the membership at large as well as his acquaintanceship generally will congratulate him on the merited recognition of his ability.

DIED.—At the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. V. Vasehock, on Raw River, July 21, at 7:40 a. m., Mr. M. T. Champion. Mr. Champion was born at Corn-Wall, England, March 5th, 1835, and was therefore 63 years 4 months and 15 days of age. He came to America when he was two years old and in 1857 came to Oregon and has lived in the vicinity of Cottage Grove since that time.

NEW MILL.—Cottage Grove Leader: Billie Reed came down from Bohemia Tuesday. He says the new saw mill at the Music mine, is now completed and is cutting the lumber for the new 10-stamp mill, which will be put in as soon as the new road is completed. The new mill will join the old one, and Mr. Cook will soon have 15 stamps at work instead of five.

A GOOD ONE.—Mr. Watts, formerly of Albany, tells the following Klondiker: "Last spring a man owned a claim on Eldorado, which he was very anxious to sell. A Swede offered him \$500 but he wanted \$800. The man was so anxious to sell that he got the Swede drunk and while he was in that condition sold him the claim and received the money. When he sobered up and learned what he had done he went to the authorities and tried to have the sale annulled, but it was too late. It was all the money he had, so he went to work on his purchase. Last summer he took out \$60,000 and he has just sold the claim for \$120,000. Now he laughs and the other fellow gets drunk."

MARRIED.—In Lane county, Oregon, July 18, 1898, by J. W. Vaughan, J. P., Edmond Yancey and Roy F. Garrouette, all of Lane county, Oregon.

Marshfield had a \$6,300 fire yesterday; insurance \$4,000.

A SOLDIER'S LETTER.

Samuel R. Thurston, of Eugene's Third Expedition, Writes From Camp Merritt.

ENJOYS A SOLDIER'S LIFE.

Samuel R. Thurston, of Eugene's Third Expedition, now at Camp Merritt, California, waiting to be transported to the Philippines, writes interestingly of his new life as follows:

CAMP MERRITT, Calif., July 9.
The hour is 6 p. m., and all is well in camp, but the members in our company seem to be rather sad, for today we received the first letters from our parents and dear friends in sweet Oregon.

In a few days the sergeant, who has been drilling us will leave for the islands. His name is H. M. Getchell, and he is a member of Co. "M," 13th Minnesota volunteers, from St. Cloud. Sergeant Getchell is a good drill master and is well liked by our boys. We are at present a part of company L, 13th Minnesota. After the Minnesota recruits leave we will be taken in charge by a lieutenant from Kansas.

Life in Camp Merritt is not as pleasant as it might be; the sand is quite deep and the wind blows a gale all the time. The camp is situated on the site of the old Bay District track, just north of Golden Gate park, and extends six or eight blocks. The place has been condemned by the city board of health as a place unfit to harbor the soldiers, and President Hugh Craig, of the chamber of commerce has telegraphed President McKinley regarding the matter. It is understood now that in two weeks there will not be a tent left in camp.

Our daily grind commences early. The first bugle call is at 5:50 a. m.; at 6 comes arm and leg exercise, then mess; at 9:30 drill, lasting until 11 o'clock; afternoon drill lasts from 1:30 to 3 o'clock; at 5 we have roll call and from then until 10 we are off duty. Should anyone stay out later than 10 o'clock without a pass, and not be successful in running the guard lines they would probably be confined in the guard house.

The company C lads are getting along fine in their drilling and are quickly adjusting themselves to camp life. The time out of camp is spent in enjoying the pleasures of Sutor baths, a visit to Cliff House, Golden Gate park, shooting the chutes and taking in the various sites in the city that prove of interest.

I am using my knee for a writing desk, and a dull pointed pencil for a pen, and if you succeed in translating this you are O. K. Don't forget to tell our Eugene friends that our thoughts wander toward them often. I am proud to say that I do not regret I am serving "old glory." Send us papers occasionally and don't forget to write. We expect to move to Presidio soon.

Yours truly,
SAMUEL R. THURSTON,
Co. "C" Or. Vol., Camp Merritt.

FRIDAY, JULY 23.

TELEPHONE COMING.—Mr. Shafford, Supt. of Construction, of the Sunset Telephone Co. informs us that the work on the California line, between San Francisco and Portland is being pushed as rapidly as possible. The crew on the north end are now this side of Albany and will reach Cottage Grove about the 15th of August. A force of 200 men are also working on the other end of the line. They are now this side of Redding, Calif. Mr. Shafford is a rustler and there is no doubt but what the line will be completed as soon as it is possible to do so.

A NOVEL PLAN.—The Southern Pacific has, for several years, employed a novel plan for facilitating its business with its agents, messengers, etc. It is technically known as a "traingram." It is distinguished from other matter by an envelope of salmon-pink color. All communications placed in these envelopes take precedence of all other business in the regular train mail. The employment of the word "traingram" is certainly an original term.

A WORTHY OBJECT.—J. H. McClung and F. L. Chambers were around among our business men today soliciting subscriptions for the further improvement of the Military road. They report good success. This is a worthy object, and Eugene should see the road is kept in first-class condition as she receives a vast amount of trade from Southeastern Oregon, and it will increase if the road is kept up.

FISHING TRIP.—G. E. Detmering, Drew Griffin and Charles Davis started this afternoon on a fishing trip. They will launch a boat at Leaburg and fish down the river tomorrow.

DIED.—The 2-months old infant child of Fred Powers died at the family home two miles west of Eugene today.

THE COMMISSIONERSHIP.

All the Ballots to Be Counted, Commencing Aug. 3.

THE PROCEEDINGS.

Daily Guard, July 22.
After a day's argument the attorneys in the contested commissionership case stipulated this forenoon that all the ballots for said office be counted, and the same be taken as now on file in the clerk's office without any evidence whatever. This will save all costs to the county.

The day to commence the work has been set for Wednesday, August 3, 1898, at 9 a. m., by Judge Hamilton. He was compelled to delay the matter until that date as he must hold a term of circuit court in Lincoln county, commencing next Monday.

We think the stipulations correct. The man who has the most votes will serve the people.

AMENDED COMPLAINT.

The defendant, by his attorneys, after the GUARD went to press last evening, filed an amended petition or complaint. The general averments were the same as in the preceding petition, and special averments of throwing out ballots wrongfully and other irregularities by the judges of elections in the precincts of North Eugene No. 1, North Eugene No. 2, Creswell and Fall Creek, were made as follows:

Fall Creek—Alleges that plaintiff received 27 legal votes instead of 23 votes as returned by the board; that the cross on two ballots were placed after instead of before Mr. Baughman's name and the same were thrown out, while legally they should have been counted; that the election board counted 88 votes for Edwards while in fact he only received 36.

Creswell—That plaintiff received in fact 105 legal ballots in said precinct instead of 103 as returned; and that defendant only received 92 votes instead of 97 as returned.

North Eugene No. 1—That in this precinct plaintiff received 93 legal votes instead of 85 as returned, and that defendant only received 145 instead of 151 as returned.

North Eugene No. 2—That plaintiff in said precinct received 94 legal votes while only 91 were returned; and defendant only received 115 legal votes instead of 120 as returned.

THE STIPULATIONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Lane county.

W. H. Baughman, plaintiff and contestant vs. H. D. Edwards, defendant and contestee.

Comes now the parties herein by their attorneys and hereby stipulate and agree that there shall be an entire recount of all votes and ballots cast for the office of County Commissioner in all of the precincts of Lane county at the general election held in said county on June 6th, 1898, in these proceedings; and that the ballots produced by the county clerk of Lane county on said hearing and recount shall be deemed and considered the ballots and all the ballots cast in the several precincts said election and the same shall be admitted and received in evidence without any question, proof of identification or other wise.

That the hearing of this cause shall be had at such time as may be fixed by the Judge of the above entitled court. It is further stipulated and agreed that the above entitled cause shall be heard on this stipulation and tried and determined thereon, without further answer or pleadings herein.

Dated this 22nd day of July, 1898.
H. D. NORTON and L. BLYEU,
Attorneys for Plaintiff and Contestant
A. C. WOODCOCK, and CHAS. HARDY,
Attorneys for Defendant and Contestee

Contestant One Ahead.

Friday's Albany Democrat: "The clerk contest yesterday afternoon resulted in a net gain of 3 for Van Winkle, republican, all scratched tickets voted instead of by crosses being rejected. All tickets with crosses either before or after the names were allowed, except where more than one was voted for the same office. This forenoon each gained and lost a vote in Solo and Sodaville. Van Winkle lost one by count in Tangent, leaving him two ahead.

"Van Winkle lost one in Santiam precinct, and there was no change in Shedd. As the votes of all the precincts were recounted Van Winkle is ahead, with one witness to be examined as to illegality, not expected change it."

The official returns showed Crabtree, unionist, elected by one. A close contest.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEYOR.—J. S. DeLish, Geological Surveyor, of Washington, D. C., with assistants are now in Bohemia making a preliminary survey of the district. Bohemia is rapidly coming to the front and gaining distinction throughout the United States.