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BRIEF MENTION.

The Roseburg laundry was burned recently.

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Trespass notices, printed on cloth, on sale at THE TIMES Printing House.

Eli Torrance of Minneapolis has been elected national commander of the G. A. R.

The annual conference of the M. E. Church for Oregon was held at Hillsboro last week.

A large quantity of newspapers, suitable for wrapping, pasting on walls, putting under carpets, etc., can be obtained cheap, in quantities to suit, at THE TIMES Printing House.

Hon. Jere Wilson, the eminent lawyer, and senior counsel for Admiral Schley before the court of inquiry, died suddenly at Washington.

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Articles of incorporation have been filed by the Douglas Electric Company of Roseburg. The incorporators are L. A. Walker, Mrs. M. Josephson and F. W. Benson. The company proposes to put an electric lighting system in Roseburg. It will also establish and maintain telephone systems.

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Antonio Maggio, alleged anarchist who is said to have declared several months ago that he knew that President McKinley would be killed before October 1st, had a preliminary trial before United States Commissioner Newcomb at Silver city, New Mexico, Sept. 25th, and was bound over to await the action of the United States grand jury at Las Cruces, which meets Oct. 7th, under \$10,000 bonds.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

[Special Correspondence.]

It is interesting to note that the supreme court is more nearly up with its docket than it has been for almost half a century. This important statement was made the other day by one of the oldest officials of the court, who declared that the tribunal is now only about one year behind in its work. He attributes this unusual condition largely to the unflagging industry and energy of Chief Justice Fuller. When the chief justice came to the bench in 1888, the supreme court docket was greatly congested and the work of the court was about seven years behind. This meant that the litigant who appealed his case to the highest tribunal in the land had to wait seven years for a hearing unless his case was of such an exceptional character as to be entered to the unusual privilege of advancement on the docket. Under present circumstances no litigant need wait longer than a year for final action on his case. Some of the relief has been afforded by the establishment of circuit courts of appeal, which were brought into life under the strong urgency of President Harrison. At the same time if the chief justice had been less pushing and indefatigable than Mr. Fuller, it is highly probable, in the opinion of old officials, that the court would be three or four years behind.

Must Work Full Time.

The postoffice department has issued to many postoffices an order that conveys a sharp intimation that the government must obtain a full day's service from each one of its employees. W. S. Shallenberger, acting postmaster general, signs this order, and in it he insists that former orders about the use of time recorders in postoffices must be obeyed.

The time of employees, as taken from the records made by themselves, shall be regarded as the official time. The recorders are to be used by the assistant postmaster superintendents, clerks, carriers and all other employees in reporting for duty, on leaving for or returning from trips or meals and at the close of the day's work.

At least once daily the aggregate time (total number of working hours and minutes served by each employee) must be entered in a time book, and the tapes with the original record securely pasted in a scrapbook furnished by the department for that purpose. The failure of an employee to register will be treated as a violation of the regulations and must be reported to the department by the postmaster for action.

Personal Law a Failure.

It is generally conceded that the personnel bill, for which the engineer corps of the navy fought for years and years, has been a big disappointment to its originators. It gave to them positive rank for which they longed, but it wiped out their corps organization and absorbed the individuality of most of its members. The main argument that was put forward as a reason for its passage has fallen flat. This related to the alternating duty feature, by which all the officers under the grade of lieutenant commander were to be fitted for duty in the engine room and deck. It was claimed that by the adoption of this scheme there would be 1,000 officers equipped for both line and staff work. The practical operation of the law was vastly different from what had been planned for it. The engineers gladly took to the line, but the members of the line did not rush forward and ask for places in the engine room. It is said that less than two dozen of line officers have qualified for engineering work. Now, however, the department is to compel the young line officers to take up engineering duty, so the conditions promise to improve.

The Work Before Congress.

In Washington there is usually earlier talk than elsewhere as to the coming session of congress. Just now those most familiar with public affairs are convinced that the next congress will deal with a greater volume of more important business in its first session than has almost any of its predecessors for a third of a century. Besides the tariff and subsidy questions, there are the vital matters of insular government, the extension or not of the constitution to the new possessions and the re-enactment of the Chinese exclusion law, additional immigration legislation, the lengthening of the congressional and presidential terms by a few weeks to enable the inauguration of president and vice president to occur in clement weather and to provide for the assembling of congress earlier after its election.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

Surgeon General Sternberg of the army objects to the employment of corrodors in that service, as has been recommended by Colonel Philip Reade, lately on duty at St. Paul as inspector general. The army medical officers say, in the first place, that the men selected for military duty are not of the half lame and decrepit variety and if anything happens to the feet of soldiers it is likely to be more serious than can be attended to by so called pedal surgeons, or, as they are more commonly known, chiropodists.

It is true that soldiers suffer a great deal as a result of long marches, but the remedy for this is in following the rules laid down by the doctors for the care of the feet and in supplying the army with a shoe which is at once comfortable and serviceable.

Colonel Reade's scheme for supplying the army with a new kind of doctor would not be adopted.

Commissioner of Internal Revenue Yerkes states that such articles as are subject to an internal revenue tax when brought to the United States from Porto Rico for consumption may be reshipped to a foreign port without the payment of the tax.

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