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DEADLY COLLISION

Steamers Foul on the High Seas With Great Loss of Life.

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE PEOPLE DROWNED.

Worst Ocean Horror in Many Years Takes Place Off the Southern Coast of France - Carelessness of One Captain and Cowardice of the Other Held to Be Responsible.

Marseilles, June 8.—The latest report of the loss of life from the sinking steamer Liban, yesterday, places the list of dead at 185, of which 23 bodies have already been recovered. The top mast is visible this morning. Divers are at work on the wreck. The captains of both vessels are blamed. The captain of the Liban, because he did not direct his ship properly, and the captain of the other, because he didn't do more to assist the passengers of the sinking vessel. The latter claims he was afraid that his own ship would sink, so he ran ashore for fear of foundering.

SLEW HIS DEATH WATCH.

A Montana Man Uses a 30-30 Rifle on His Guard—Swims the Missouri River and Makes a Get Away.

Have, Mont., June 8.—A telegram from Glasgow advises Sheriff Conner, of Valley county, who is here waiting a delayed train from the west, that William Hardee, a murderer under sentence of death, and three prisoners escaped for burglary, escaped jail Saturday, killing the death watch. Jack Williams, and beating Sheriff Dillard nearly to death. Hardee escaped once before, but was quickly retaken. The escaped prisoners are armed and mounted. A posse has been ordered to pursue the prisoners, who are desperate characters, and will doubtless fight to the death before they will be retaken. Hardee was shot through the body and fatally wounded. Dillard and Rutter were then beaten almost into insensibility and the men left. A posse was soon in pursuit and the three men were taken after the opposite of the river. Hardee was not among them. He was either drowned or crossing the river with the rest of the party, which is thought more likely. Hardee has the rifle, and as he is to be hanged on June 26, it is thought he will be taken alive or until he has killed some of his pursuers.

THEY WOULDN'T WORK.

So They Were Chained to Posts in the Heat of the Sun Till They Couldn't Work.

Washington, June 8.—Complaints have been made to the war department through official channels, alleging that cruelty has been practiced on the inmates of the Malah military prison at Laguna de Bay, near Manila. Six prisoners, it is alleged, refused to work because they thought the food was improper. They were chained to posts exposed to the heat of the sun. They again refused to work, when they were again chained to posts until one man dropped from exhaustion.

ROUGH WEATHER DELAYS TRIP.

Party of Scientists Narrowly Escape Foundering Off the Carolines.

Norfolk, June 8.—The schooner Van Name, bearing a party of distinguished scientists who are bound for the Bahamas on a two months' expedition, was compelled to put in here today. They encountered a terrific storm off the Carolines. Supreme efforts were required to escape foundering. They will await more favorable weather before proceeding.

AND STILL THEY STRIKE.

Massachusetts Paper Makers Want Higher Wages.

Holyoke, Mass., June 8.—Two thousand paper makers struck this morning. They demand an increase of wages. Twenty-eight mills are affected by the strike.

FRAUD IS ALLEGED.

Eppinger & Co., of San Francisco, Squeezed.

San Francisco, June 8.—Eppinger & Co.'s creditors meet at 4 o'clock this afternoon. It is believed that the warehouse certificates were irregular, the discovery of which caused the banks to force payment.

Appointed Archbishop of Manila.

Rome, June 8.—Rev. J. J. Harlin, of St. Louis, has been officially appointed archbishop of Manila.

TWELVE HUNDRED IN ONE VILLAGE ARE PRISONERS.

Water is Still Rising and Has Broken Over the Old Granite Levee—Steamers Are Leaving Their Regular Runs to Go to the Rescue of the People.

St. Louis is practically cut off from railway transportation. Only a few trains are running irregularly, have ward over the Missouri Pacific. Thousands of excursionists are detained in this city unable to get out. Two steamers went to Madison at 10 o'clock in answer to a call for help. Twelve hundred there are prisoners in their homes. Refugees from near-by cities are being brought in here by the thousands. Many immense industries are idle, throwing thousands temporarily out of employment.

The Water Still Rising in St. Louis.

St. Louis, June 8.—The flood is 37 feet six inches at 10 o'clock this morning and is still rising. Water broke over the old granite city levee this morning and poured down on West Venice in a torrent. The inhabitants barely had time to escape. By 10 o'clock it had reached the roofs of the greater number of the dwellings there and is continuing to rise. The water is now sheltered in the Granite City schoolhouse, which is so far above water.

River at Highest Point.

The weather bureau at noon says the river gauge reached the highest point, 37 feet six inches, which it believes will be the crest of the flood. Look for fall tomorrow. Up to 2 this afternoon nothing had been heard from the relief steamers sent out this morning. Nothing is certain regarding fatalities. The number of dead is variously estimated at from nine to 20, not including 15 reported drowned at Granite City last night. The latter are said to have been strengthening the levee when the break came.

All Railway Connections Between Here and Alton are Cut Off.

Refugees from North Venice report that a house containing 13 occupants was swept away and all certain regarding fatalities. A small child in her arms was seen to drown in Madison. The marshal of Venice, and his wife, are reported to have been drowned.

Waters Wreck Pontoon Bridge.

Topeka, Kan., June 8.—The pontoon bridge connections of South Topeka, with the flooded district in North Topeka, was carried out by the swift current this morning.

Governor Bailey Weds.

Topeka, Kan., June 8.—Governor Bailey left for Kansas City today, where tomorrow evening he will marry Miss Ida Wood, an old-time friend, aged 35, and recently a saleswoman in a millinery store.

MANUFACTURERS WHO BRIBED MACHEN NOW ON THE RACK.

Machen is Said to Have Received Twenty Thousand Dollars From One Firm in Three Years—Given as a Bribe to Secure the Use of Their Patent by the Government.

Washington, June 8.—The federal grand jury has voted to indict Samuel and Diller Groff for a conspiracy to defraud the government in connection with the patent of a machine for dictating. Groff brothers are proprietors of the mail box fasteners from the sales of which A. W. Machen is said to have received \$20,000 during the past three years. The Groff indictment will be reported later to the court.

FRENCH INFLECT PUNISHMENT.

Their Punitive Expedition Bombard the Algerian Tribesmen. Algiers, June 8.—The French artillery this morning attacked the rebellious tribesmen at Figuiga, with a system of heavy guns, although it is believed, heavy losses, although no details have yet been received. The French guns were posted in the hills surrounding the rebelist stronghold. They rained the position by sniping the tribesmen. There were no losses on the French side. Before the attack was made a messenger was sent with a flag of truce to Figuiga to notify the women and children to leave, but he was killed while carrying the message. France has formally notified the powers that she does not intend to seize Moroccan territory, but that the present expedition is a punitive one, in reply to the recent attack on Governor Joubert.

A WELCOME RAIN.

Forest Fires in the Adirondacks Being Extinguished by Heavy Rains. Albany, N.Y., June 8.—Reports state that exceptionally heavy rain falling night in the Adirondacks, this evening, and in many places extinguishing forest fires which have raged with such violence during the past few days.

BAKER CITY MAN SUICIDES.

He Was Wanted for Forgery in Mountain Home, Idaho. Boise, Idaho, June 8.—The body of L. B. Baker, of Baker City, Or., was found in the sage brush, two miles out of town this morning, with a bullet hole in his right temple. He was wanted in Mountain Home for forgery.

AN IDAHO TRAGEDY.

Trouble Arose Over Mining Property—Shooting Said to Be in Self-Defense—"Hair Oil Pete" Well-Known Character in Oregon.

Boise, June 5.—Word has just been telephoned in from Council Valley, that "Hair Oil Pete," whose real name is H. M. St. Cyr, shot and instantly killed A. Elmond, at the head of Payette Lake Thursday morning. Meager particulars say that a quarrel arose over mining property, and that St. Cyr shot Elmond in self-defense, the ball entering the right eye. St. Cyr came to Meadows and gave himself up and was taken to Weiser by Deputy Sheriff Enoch Smith.

St. Cyr formerly lived in Boise where he followed the occupation of mining engineer and promoter. He has been connected with the Thunder Mountain mining district since it opened up and lately conducted a hotel at Lardo. ("Hair Oil Pete," as he is familiarly called, ran a locomotive on the O. R. & N. out of La Grande from 1888 to 1894, while on a helper engine between Pendleton and Kamela, lived in this city.

He was known to be handy with a gun, an adventurous, eccentric character and ready for a fight, yet was never aggressive nor quarrelsome. He was the hero of many exciting adventures in the early days of the O. R. & N. He saved a conviction on the mountain by dashing down the road on a helper in the rear of a freight train, stopping it before it met a passenger train coming up the hill. The trains had a lap order and were only a mile apart when St. Cyr overtook the freight and warned them of the mistaken order.

Very Hot in San Francisco.

San Francisco, June 8.—The thermometer registered 92 degrees at 10 o'clock with prospects of being hotter tomorrow.

Repeating the Kansas Horror.

St. Louis later reports say 23 persons were drowned at Spartansburg. Clifton mill No. 4 was washed away in addition to two of the Paoclet mills.

Case Expected to Go to Trial Next Fall.

His Prosecution is the Inauguration of the Long Sought Investigation into Alleged Postal Frauds. Washington, June 5.—The federal grand jury, after being in session 19 days, has returned a bill of indictment against the Machen case and agreed to report findings in the criminal court at 2 this afternoon. No witnesses were examined this morning.

AN OLD SWEDISH TRICK.

Alaska Miner Attempts to Smuggle Partner Aboard Steamer in a Sack. Seattle, June 6.—The rush of travel from Seattle to Alaska during the last few days has developed the usual "Swedish" trick of a man hiring a penniless man to get to the promised land. One of the most remarkable yet unheeded, occurred yesterday when the steamer Ohio was preparing to pull out from Seattle. A big Swede went over the gang plank carrying a gunny sack, which upon investigation, proved to contain a man.

SMOTHERED IN A LUMBER CAR.

The Body of James McCormick is Found by Washington Mill Employers. When some of the employees of the Washington Mill Company opened a car of lumber on the O. R. & N. spur on Astor street in Spokane to unload it, they were horrified to discover the dead body of a man in one end of the car.

LORD SALISBURY RECOVERING.

Effects of His Recent Illness Were Exaggerated. London, June 8.—Lord Salisbury, who was seized with a severe chill accompanied by great weakness and distress yesterday, is reported by his physicians and attendants to be much more comfortable today. He is resting easily and recuperating rapidly. He is at his country home, Hatfield House.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Unfortunate Ending of Life of a German Prince. Berlin, June 5.—Prince Maximilian, head of the German house of Isenburg, was burned to death in his castle at Wackerbach today.

Will Visit America.

Rome, June 6.—Dowager Queen Marguerita has written to friends that she intends to visit America the coming autumn.

CHICAGO STRIKE FOLLOWED BY A RIOT.

A fire escape on an adjoining building. It was to the top of the sixth story and swung across the area way, caught the Athletic Club's fire escape, then mounted to the eighth floor and was there confronted by a crowd of non-unionists. He blew a whistle and was assisted by union waiters, and the combination was victorious. The unionists then went down the fire escape. The business agent then went inside the club to call out the bartenders. The club members knocked him down and held him until a policeman arrived.

WATERSPOUTS AND FLOODS IN WESTERN SOUTH CAROLINA

More Than Fifty Lives Were Lost in the Awful Rush of Waters.

Great Destruction of Property of All Kinds—Several Large Cotton Manufacturing Mills Washed Away—Scene of Desolation and Death.

Augusta, Ga., June 6.—Reports have reached here from Paoclet, S. C., that mill No. 1, of the Paoclet company, has been completely washed away by a cloudburst. The Paoclet river has overflowed its banks and mill No. 2 is in great danger. Many thousands of acres are flooded and great general damage has resulted. Reports are in conflict as to whether there has been loss of life or not. Later reports are that mill No. 2, belonging to the Paoclet company, has been swept away, with another, farther down the river supposed to be gone. A fourth is known to be in danger.

A church, hotel and livery stable at Paoclet have also been destroyed. General floods and destruction similar to those in Kansas are presaged by the general atmospheric conditions.

Repeating the Kansas Horror. St. Louis later reports say 23 persons were drowned at Spartansburg. Clifton mill No. 4 was washed away in addition to two of the Paoclet mills.

Over Fifty Lives Lost. Columbia, S. C., June 6.—Reports received here from Spartansburg say that the Paoclet river has overflowed its banks and destroyed the quality of wool produced here in a long time past. The poor pasturage and long winter which affected the sheep considerably did not detract from the quality of wool and the increased number of sheep will make the output this year about as large as it was last season. This estimate is given by exporters who are posted sheep and wool men and it is believed that it will be found about correct.

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Prices of wool here may be said to be low, although no sales of any consequence have been made yet. Growers and commission men are holding off for the expected rise in the market.

BAKER COUNTY WOOL.

No Sales Yet Made—Quality is Excellent. Baker City, June 6.—Now that the shearing of sheep is well under way in all parts of the country, the shearing in Baker County is rapidly being filled with fine fleeces. It is said by those who are good judges that this season's clip in Baker county surpasses in quality any wool produced here in a long time past. The poor pasturage and long winter which affected the sheep considerably did not detract from the quality of wool and the increased number of sheep will make the output this year about as large as it was last season. This estimate is given by exporters who are posted sheep and wool men and it is believed that it will be found about correct.

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ST. CYR WILL NOT TALK.

"Shooter" Maintains Grim Silence About His Crime. Boise, June 6.—H. M. St. Cyr, who shot and killed A. Elmond at Spartansburg, La., on Wednesday, was brought to this city Friday afternoon by Sheriff McDevitt en route to Idaho City, and was placed in jail until morning. He was taken to the city jail at that place. When seen at the jail after his arrival he declined to have anything to say.

After lunch he went to the Meadows and gave himself up to the deputy sheriff who took him to Council Bluffs and delivered him to Sheriff Adkins. He was taken to the city jail and was sworn to by Attorney Fisher of Boise county, before Probate Judge Jay. The district court of that county has adjourned and his trial will not be held until next October.

FAVOR MEAT INSPECTION.

Retail Butchers' Association Goes on Record. Portland, June 6.—At a meeting held Wednesday night the Retail Butchers' Association of a city meat inspection, which has been agitated to a considerable extent lately, voted unanimously in favor of a city inspection ordinance and named a committee to wait upon the city council and urge the passage of such a measure. The charges made by State Health Officer Dr. Woods Hutchinson, that diseased and putrid meat is being generally sold in Portland came in for general denunciation and condemnation. The members of the association believe that the city council has done a willful injustice in his sweeping charges, and they insist that they are willing, and in fact, desire a rigid inspection. They declare that it would be to the advantage of their business if the public had a guaranty against objectionable meats, which they are sold in a few quarters of the city.

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CZAR'S MIND IS FAILING.

Said to Have Been Affected Particularly by the Kishineff Massacres. St. Petersburg, June 6.—Her imperial majesty, the Empress of Russia, celebrated her 51st birthday today. Handsome gifts and messages of congratulation were received from her English relatives and from the various other courts of Europe. Many rumors to the contrary notwithstanding, it is authoritatively stated that her majesty is enjoying good health.

Much uneasiness is felt, however, on the condition of the czar, whose depression of spirits has lately been accentuated by the Kishineff disturbances. His ailment, as is well known, is more of the mind than of the body and little hope is held out of any marked improvement in his condition.

MAY BE LYNCHED.

Wisconsin Farmer Guarded by State Militia. Sparta, Wis., June 6.—Two hundred farmers surrounded the jail here last evening and threatened to lynch Farmer McKeown, who is accused of murdering his wife in an exceptionally brutal manner. The sheriff appealed to the governor, who called out two companies of militia with instructions to kill. The mob refused to disperse for several hours, during which time a battle seemed imminent.

CAUSE OF ILLNESS.

Pope Leo Has Inflammation of the Bowels. London, June 6.—The Central News Bureau announces the cause of the pope's illness to be inflammation of the bowels. The ailment itself was not particularly severe, but his advanced age and general weakness make his condition critical.

LABOR CONVENTION.

WESTERN FEDERATION OF MINERS AT DENVER.

New Rules Adopted—Resolutions Involving Socialism Are Agreed Upon—Stronger Support Voted to the Official Journal. Denver, June 6.—After a warm debate, the convention of the Western Federation of Miners today reaffirmed its former declaration for socialism, by adopting the following resolutions: "Whereas, the natural resources of the earth, upon which humanity depends, are being swiftly concentrated into the hands of the privileged few; and

"Whereas, political independence is a noble and a desirable while the toiling millions bear the yoke of wage slavery on the industrial field; and

"Whereas, no man among the vast army of laboring humanity can successfully assert his manhood until his necessities make him a suppliant at the feet of another for a job which he must do to sustain life; and

"Whereas, the privileged few who own the jobs which the many must have must necessarily own the man; and

"Whereas, capitalism can never be destroyed and wage slavery abolished until the natural resources of the earth and the machinery of production and distribution shall be taken from the hands of the few by the political power of the many; to be employed for the benefit of all mankind; to be utilized for the use and benefit of all humanity; and

"Whereas, the socialist party is the only party in any nation or world that demands that the land and the machinery of production shall become the common property of all; and that the natural resources of the earth shall remain the full product of its toil; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the delegates of the Western Federation of Miners, in their annual convention assembled, reaffirm the political policy of the 10th annual convention, believing that the socialist party will make the noblest work of God; woman the queen of the home, and the child the bud and blossom of an emancipated generation.

The resolutions were adopted by a vote of 125 to 20. The convention adopted a resolution condemning (a) the employment of child labor in mines and limiting membership in the unions to persons over 16 years old. This affects coal mines especially. The convention concurred in a resolution from the Butte Stationery Engineers' Union condemning the American Federation of Labor for organizing a dual union there.

Union cards as a means of identification were abolished. Only dues books will be used, bearing the stamps that show standing and length of membership. A fund of \$250 was turned over to the delegate of the Miners' Union at La Jara, Kan., to be dispensed in relieving labor sufferers from the Union at Sanden, B. C., for purchasing furniture for its hospital.

A telegram was received from Searchlight, giving notice that the miners there, numbering 400, refused to accept a cut in wages which the operators had joined hands to enforce. The miners' union will go into effect June 13. This strike will involve 3,000 to 4,000 men.

PASSENGER TRAINS COLLIDE HEAD END ON.

Nine Persons Killed at Stillwell, Including Two Tramps—Six Others Are More or Less Seriously Injured. Kansas City, Mo., June 6.—The following is a revised list of the persons killed in the Santa Fe train wreck at Stillwell, Kan.: Link Day, Los Angeles; William Newmiller, Plainfield, N. J.; Dan Monahan, Prescott, Ariz.; E. H. Ward, Newcastle, Pa.; C. A. Keniskern, Monett, Mo.; Carlos M. Tarapado, Porto Rico, a student at the University of California; Frank Johnston, conductor of Pullman car; unknown man, apparently a laborer; unknown man about 25 years of age.

The most seriously injured, six in number, of whom two or three will die, were taken to the Missouri Pacific hospital at Kansas City. Those most seriously injured are: William Owen Patchen, William Woods, of Mount Forest, Ind., and A. L. Sellers, of North Manchester, Ind. The train that collided were the third section of No. 4 northbound from California to Chicago, and No. 1, southbound, the California limited. The baggage car and the smoker of each train were completely demolished.

The Pullmans and the chair cars kept the track. The killed, with the exception of two tramps on the bumper of a baggage car, were occupants of a chair car of the southbound train.

IMPORTANT MATTERS ARE BEING CONSIDERED.

Principal Subjects for Discussion Are Prosecution of the Postal Frauds and the Government's Attitude Toward Russia. Washington, June 6.—The special cabinet meeting called by the president for the purpose of discussing matters developed during his absence began at 11 this morning with Mr. Shaw the only absentee.

It is expected that much time will be devoted to the postoffice scandals and the government situation toward Russia with reference to the Kishineff horror.

It is known that the president's attitude toward the postoffice question has always been that of uncompromising friendliness toward the prosecution.

His own position and that of the cabinet on the Kishineff massacre is unknown and wholly problematical.

TWO MEN KILLED IN NEBRASKA.

Genoa, Neb., June 6.—A Union Pacific freight train, en route from here this morning and struck a handcar, killing two and injuring one.

REGULATION FRENCH DUEL.

Paris, June 6.—Deputies Bertheux and Guste de Nervo fought a duel with swords at Neully this morning. The latter was wounded in the forearm.

LOWER FREIGHTS.

GREAT NORTHERN TO FAVOR THE NORTH PACIFIC COAST. Reduction Soon to Be Announced—Will Tend to Bring Cars West for Incoming Shipments—First Reduction Announced Saved From Ten to Thirty Per Cent to Jobbers. Seattle, June 6.—The Great Northern Railway will in a few days announce another amendment to the freight tariff which promises to reduce rates from all points East to the North Pacific Coast. This reduction is in line with the policy which has been established by President James H. Hill that as soon as the shipments offered the road to the North coast would justify, the rates would be reduced to give encouragement to shipments from that section by rail instead of ocean, that a supply of cars may be kept on the coast to handle the eastbound shipments from this territory.

Savings of First Amended Rates. The first amendment to the tariff was announced a month ago, reducing the rate on about 50 commodities being a saving of from 10 to 30 per cent. Similar reductions were made by the Southern lines. The matter did not take on the nature of a fight, for the rates were put into effect as a permanent feature and part of the policy of the Great Northern road.

It is understood that the second amendment is to include a greater number of articles than the first that are to enjoy the reduced rates. The disposition of the company is to make as many commodities as possible take the graded rate. That is a rate from the Atlantic coast to Seattle, reduced from the rate that is now in effect and graded from Chicago, the Missouri river and other points from where shipments are made to this territory.

MURDER IN FIRST DEGREE.

Union, June 5.—Wade and Woodson Gray, father and son, who killed Arch Halgrath near Elkin in March, have been indicted for murder in the first degree by the grand jury. The case is set for trial Wednesday, June 10.

CHAIRMAN WHITE PLEADED.

Says Result in First Congressional District is Satisfactory. Captain White has been at Union in attendance on the circuit court since the close of the campaign in the first congressional district, says the Baker City Herald. For two or three days there will be no criminal cases tried at Union, but next Wednesday the trial of the Grays for the murder of Halgrath at Elkin will come up. Captain White will return to Union Tuesday to prosecute that case.

On the whole, Captain White is very much pleased with the vote at the recent special election, the usual large republican majority having been greatly reduced.

"Anyhow, we made a showing," said the democratic war horse, "and that is something that the democrats in that district have not done before for a long time."

GRAZING PERMITS.

Southern Division of Cascade Forest Reserve is Full of Sheep. The secretary of the interior has just completed the examination of applications for grazing privileges on the southern division of the Cascade forest reserve, and has granted permits to 38 sheep owners.

The number of sheep included in the permits is 102,000 and according to old experienced stockmen this is a greater number than the area will support properly, during the grazing season.

With this year's increase added to the Crook and Lake county flocks, there is a scarcity of open range that will be keenly felt this season.

LOS ANGELES LABOR ISSUES

One Butcher Violated Union Rules and Caused All the Trouble.

SYMPATHETIC STRIKES THREATENED ALL OVER CITY.

General Situation There is Very Strained, as the Packing Houses Have Combined and Declared Their Purpose is to Retaliate—Restaurant and Hotel Employes and Drivers' Union Are All Involved. Los Angeles, June 6.—The strike of 60 butchers at the Maier Packing Company's plant is spreading throughout the unions of the city, though action is not concerted. Hundreds of restaurant, hotel and meat market employes have gone out.

The drivers at the packing house have gone out, refusing to carry non-union meat. The cutters in all the retail shops have followed suit. The butchers last night and decided to do the same as an organization of the proprietors get meet from Maier.

The other packing houses have joined Maier and this morning issued an edict that if the retailers refuse to be boycotted by all the butchers, one butcher who violated union rules, caused all the trouble, and Maier refused to discharge him.

American Squadron at Kiel. Berlin, June 5.—It is officially announced that the American squadron has arrived at Kiel. The Kaiser starts Wednesday for a six weeks' tour of Scandinavia.

KANSAS EDUCATOR DEAD.

Topeka, Kan., June 6.—Dr. Peter McVicar, founder and for 25 years the president of Washburn College, died today, aged 76.

MONEY IN HOGS.

Union County Farmer Advises Walla Walla to Feed Wheat. A forceful demonstration of what diversified farming will do, was given at Walla Walla, a few days ago, by W. T. Townley, of Union, Or., a hog raiser of note, who says that the farmers of the Walla Walla valley who now sell wheat at from 50 to 75 cents a bushel, can get back as much again by feeding it to hogs. Mr. Townley follows this method himself, and says it is a winner. His fine 200-acre range of hogs is well known all over Eastern Oregon.

Mr. Townley gave while here a resume of feeding experiments he conducted on his range and for 25 years 40 days he fed a band of 160 hogs with crushed wheat, moistened with cold water, the feed being weighed daily by the man in charge.

One dollar and ten cents a bushel was realized for all the wheat fed during that time. Had this wheat not been disposed of in this way it would have brought but 75 cents a bushel.

It would even pay to buy wheat at the market price and feed it to hogs. Mr. Townley says that he has been maintaining well-bred hogs and in using alfalfa in conjunction with wheat.

RURAL ROUTE STATISTICS.

Considerable Falling Off in Amount of Matter Handled. For the month of May the number of pieces of mail delivered on the rural routes leading out of Walla Walla fell to the fourth place as compared to the four preceding months. The total was 15,213, as