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# PANAMA CANAL WAS FIRST ROUND IN FIGHT AT BOGOTA

## President of Colombia Strongly in Favor, But Will Take No Responsibility, and Leaves All to Congress.

### His Position Sustained by a Vote of Thirty-eight to Five—Message Takes the Ground That the Canal Will Be of Great Commercial and Political Benefit to That Country.

Washington, June 29.—The state department has received a dispatch from Minister Beaupre, at Bogota, saying the canal discussion has been opened in the Colombian house by a representative opposed to the canal treaty, who began by calling for the documents relating to the treaty. The government objected on the ground that it was not ready to present the treaty to the house, but would do so later. The government's position was sustained by a vote of 38 to 5.

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# ALLEGED ROBBERY FOOT AMPUTATED

## MEN WANTED HERE TAKEN IN CUSTODY AT WALLA WALLA

Charged with Robbing C. L. Hastings of \$200, Some of Which Has Been Located at Gambling Houses—The Alleged Facts Indicate a Strong Case Against the Nelson Brothers.

A complaint was sworn to in the office of the justice of the peace this morning by C. L. Hastings of this city, charging two men by the name of Nelson, purporting to be brothers, with the larceny from his person of \$200.

The men started home from Heppner Saturday morning. Hastings here became intoxicated. Hastings, who is a house mover of this city, had been at Heppner for some time, where he had been working at his trade and had accumulated \$200 of the coin of the realm. The Nelson brothers had also been there for several days and had paid off had about \$17.50 each. The three men started home together and stopped at Athena, where they proceeded to spend some of the money.

These men in the meantime had made a merry night of it, and had left the town for Walla Walla on the early train Sunday morning. Sheriff Taylor telephoned to the sheriff at Walla Walla and the men were arrested at that place by Deputy Kees and Mr. Taylor.

When arrested at Walla Walla the men had in the neighborhood of \$140 between them and some of the money which was in the form of bills, has been located in one of the gambling houses of the town where it is being held for identification by the state.

The Nelsons are from the Yakima country, and one of them is known in this town. One of them has been at Heppner for some time, and the other one went over with the gang that volunteered from here.

# FELL NINE FEET AND BROKE ALL THE BONES OF ANKLE

## Distressing Accident to George Abbott, the Well-Known Wool Buyer—Operation Was Performed at the Dalles—Injured Man is Doing Well Everything Considered.

George Abbott, one of the best known wool buyers of the inland Empire, met with an accident late Saturday night that resulted in the loss of one of his feet. Abbott, in company with several other wool men, was returning to Pendleton from the wool sales at Shaniko, and was walking at Biggs Station for a train.

In walking about the platform in the dark he stepped from the platform and fell to the ground about five feet below, striking on a large boiler in such a manner as to shatter all of the bones of his ankle.

The injured man was put on the caboose of a freight train that was in the station at the time, and taken to the hospital at the Dalles.

Dr. McKenney, the surgeon from Portland, was telegraphed for and arrived Sunday morning, and after an examination of the foot decided that it was necessary to amputate it. At the present time he is connected with the Botany Worsted Mills of New York, one of the largest mills in the United States.

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# TWO MEMBERS LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE GREAT FLOOD

## Property Loss Will Reach \$2,000—A Few Were Well-to-do, While Others Are Left in Straitened Circumstances.

L. B. Reeder has returned from Heppner, where he went to look into the conditions of the flood of Redden there. The order lost two members at that place in the flood, besides sustaining some damage in property.

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Accident Was Caused by a Fog Which Made Both Cars Late—One Man Was Killed, Thirteen Injured—...ere Running Slow.

Cleveland, June 28.—In a heavy fog this morning at the crossing of Watson and Bowers streets, two electric cars collided. Both were a moment late in arriving at the crossing and the conductor of each supposed the other had passed.

William Fuller, who was standing on a platform, was fatally crushed, while Thomas Roderick and Augustus were seriously injured. A dozen others were cut with flying glass and also more or less bruised.

The fatalities and injuries have been much more extensive had not both cars, on account of the fog, been running at slackened speed. This is the first accident of this kind on any transportation line with a fatal result since a dozen or more people were killed at the Union Depot by a Lake Shore train plowing into a crowd of excursionists about three months ago.

# RADICALS ARE ALL DEFEATED

## Bryanism and Government Ownership Fight Each Other to a Standstill

So Also Does the Scheme to Indorse State Socialism—Candidate for Governor for a Bryan Democrat "Acceptable to the Gold Democrat"—Declares for a Tariff for Revenue

Des Moines, Ia., June 26.—The democratic state convention, by a vote of 463 to 139, refused to adopt a minority report, signed by four members of the committee on resolutions, relating to the platform proposed by the seven members constituting the majority of the committee, a plank reaffirming the democratic national platform of 1900, and by a vote of 428 to 199, rejected another minority report adding the plank demanding government control of railway charges, a provision that in case the contract of government ownership plank, which he has favored, J. B. Sullivan, the nominee for governor, has been affiliated with the Bryan wing of the party.

All the nominations were made by acclamation, the friends of Judge A. A. Van Wagenen, of Sioux City, having concluded not to present his name for governor, after it became apparent that the convention would not adopt a government ownership plank, which he has favored, J. B. Sullivan, the nominee for governor, has been affiliated with the Bryan wing of the party.

The platform denounces the present tariff system as the creator of countless unearned fortunes and trusts which are strangling competition and destroying individual effort and are acquiring a power which enables them to dictate the prices of labor and raw material and cost of finished products.

It is being Sailed Over a Thirty-Mile Course and a Rough Sea—It Is Expected That Today's Sail Will Occupy Five and a Half Hours' Time—Reliance Wins.

Newport, June 29.—The Reliance meets the Columbia and Constitution today in the first of six races which will decide the choice of a cup defender.

So far the Reliance has never had a trial in a sea way. The Columbia has been given a thorough overhauling. The time limit today will be five and a half hours. A drizzling rain fell this afternoon, followed by a piping 15-knot breeze, with a good jump on the sea. Yachtsmen say if the Reliance shows as good form as on smooth water she will prove wonderful. The decision committee reached the lights at 11 today.

Another of "A Fool's Errand" and Consul Ayme Are Promoted.

Washington, June 29.—Among the consular appointments announced today is that of Albin Tourgee, of New York, the author and novelist, to be consul-general at Halifax. Also Louis Ayme, now consul at Guadalupe to be consul at Para, Brazil. The latter gained fame for his tireless and intelligent work after the Martinique disaster.

NAVAL PRACTICE AT KIEL. Race Between Pinnaces of Warships Won by American Boat. Kiel, June 25.—At 6 this morning the Kaiser's steam launch, experimented with mines in the bay and afterwards witnessed torpedo experiments and visited the shipyards. A race between warship pinnaces was won by the American cruiser Chicago's boat amid great enthusiasm. The pinnaces of all the American ships and also of all German vessels participated.

# ENTIRE COUNTY IS WITHDRAWN

## Government Irrigation Reservation Includes Franklin County in Its Borders.

Parts of Walla Walla, Whitman, Yakima and Adams Included in the Reservation—Expert Has Been Looked Over Territory—Good Field for Irrigation Plans.

Walla Walla, June 27.—The commission just at the Harney county tract here, late yesterday evening, announcing the immediate withdrawal of 1,171,000 acres of arid land, lying principally in Franklin county, from desert entry. The land included in this reservation comprises 18 entire townships and four fractional townships, and embraces almost the total area of Franklin county.

Portions of townships in Walla Walla county, 10 townships in Adams, parts of two in Yakima and one in Whitman are included in the boundaries.

This land is withdrawn from desert entry just as the Harney county tract of 15,900,000 acres and the Echo tract, comprising 297,000 acres were withdrawn, pending further investigations by government irrigation experts.

A special agent of the government has been in that locality since last fall, and cruised the country thoroughly, in search of reservoir and canal sites.

There is strong probability that reports on this tract of land have been made by the government irrigation experts included in it are some of the most important and practicable in the West.

YAKIMA SHEEP NEWS. Great Number Being Sold and Taken to Reserve Pastures.

North Yakima, Wash., June 26.—John Cleman this week sold 5000 ewes and 1500 lambs to the State Sheep Company sold 1200 lambs to Carstens Bros., for delivery between July 1 and July 15, at \$2.50 a head, and the Jeter Sheep Company sold 1500 lambs at the same price for shipment East. These are the first sales of sheep of any consequence made by Yakima sheepmen this spring.

Many of the bands are on their way to the mountains to enter the winter range on July 1. There will be 157,000 sheep fed in the reserve this year, or 15,000 less than last year.

Vessey & McRae this week shipped 15 carloads of sheep to Chicago. The first to be sent to that market this spring. Coffin Bros. also brought 10 carloads into the valley from Oregon to feed for the Pagar Brothers and Fry, Bruhn & Co. shipped four cars to Seattle.

RELATIVES MUST PAY. New Law Compels Division of Expense of Caring for Insane.

Salem, Ore., June 26.—The first commitment to the insane asylum under the new law, requiring the husband, parents or guardians to contribute to the maintenance of the patient, was effected on record yesterday.

# EIGHT PERSONS ENGULFED AND KILLED AT PHIZBLAS

## The Summer Terror of the Alps Is Doing Business With Accustomed Regularity—Party of Thirteen Disappeared at Urho.

Geneva, June 27.—News has been received today of a catastrophe at Phizblas, in the high school of Saatch, while on an instruction tour, were caught by an avalanche. One master and seven scholars were instantly killed and two badly injured. The bodies are now searching for the bodies.

The party of 10 tourists and two guides who disappeared June 3, are supposed to have been overwhelmed by a combination of avalanche and landslides which fell into the west arm of Lake Como, near Urho. They had landed from a boat for the purpose of examining rare flora, and apparently fell into a dangerous slip.

THREATENING THE JEWS. Appeal to the People of Besarabia to "Finish the Work."

London, June 27.—A dispatch from Odessa states that the police have seized copies of a lithographed appeal to the citizens of Besarabia to finish the work begun at Kinnod and clean out all the Jews. It says the warning by the governor is not to be taken seriously.

Five Masked Men Terrorize Train Crews and Travelers in Utah.

Salt Lake, June 27.—Five masked men who have been holding up freight trains, robbing the crews and beating men for the past three days at Utah, added another crime to the list this morning on the Rio Grande near Soldier Summit, when they had by beat and threat from a train Chas. U. Smith, a companion from Provo, Utah, and later held up a section foreman at Pleasant Valley. Officers have gone to the scene and a battle is expected.

GOVERNOR CHAMBERLAIN WRESTLING WITH PROPOSITION WHERE DOUBLE SALES HAVE BEEN MADE. One Purchaser Must Lose—Fraudulent Entries Can Claim No Protection From State.

Salem, June 26.—A large stack of disapprovals of lieu land selections which lay on the desk of the state land agent today show that wholesale manner in which the general land office and the department of the interior are turning down Oregon lieulands. Thousands of acres which have been selected by the state and sold after approval by local land offices have been rejected recently by the general land office, and the end is not yet.

Appeals are being taken to the secretary of the interior, but it is that of a corridor, in which the prisoners are to be held. The construction of the state land department is involved in the worst tangle ever known in its history, and it will be a long time before the knots are straightened out.

The lieu land selections which are now being disapproved are those made upon mineral base in Eastern Oregon. By proving to the satisfaction of local land office authorities that certain school sections in that part of the state were mineral lands, the state was enabled to relinquish them to the general government, and to take other and more valuable lands in lieu thereof.

Where there has been double selling the state must eventually return to the purchaser or the other the money he has paid, together with interest at 5 per cent. One class of purchasers must lose title to the land where there has been double selling, and whichever loses, the state will be censured for permitting its land affairs to get into such a muddle.

The problem before Governor Chamberlain, who has charge of the state land business, is not what should have been done by the previous administration but what can be done now to get the state out of a bad predicament. The governor has decided to give his sanction to the appeals and has expressed his desire that the state's selection of lieu lands be approved.

# THINGS ARE MOVING TOWARD WORLD'S FAIR AT ST. LOUIS.

## The Company Must Spend \$10,000,000 Raised From Other Sources Before Any Government Funds Can Be Handled.

St. Louis, June 26.—The World's Fair Company has expended in actual cash \$4,500,000 up to the first of the present month, as shown by the report of the auditing committee of the national commission at work here. The commission has been informally notified by the exposition company that a request will be made upon the secretary of the United States treasury to be allowed to draw on the fund of \$5,000,000 appropriated by congress for the fair between now and September, probably in August.

Contracts have all but been let by the exposition company that will approximately complete the expenditure of the \$10,000,000 provided by the act of congress before any of the government funds are available.

THE ENGLISH YACHTS WILL SAIL ON THE CUP COURSE.

Highlands, June 27.—A white haze and dead calm greeted Shamrocks III and I this morning, the day set for the trial of the cup course. Sir Lipton arrived last night and says today is rather than a real try-out.

At 11 o'clock a seven-mile breeze arose and both boats left the anchorage. At 12:30 the yacht cast off their towlines and the race started in a series of short tacks.

WILL BEGIN COLLECTIONS. Lewis and Clark Fair Board Organized and Ready for Work.

The Oregon state commission for the Lewis and Clark Fair has now for many organized and announces that its work of collecting and classifying exhibits will begin very soon.

RACE RIOTS FEARED. Wilmington, Del., June 26.—Every city is quiet this morning, but the city is full of race riots. The delegation of O. D. Doan, of The Dalles; W. T. Williamson and James Welch, of Astoria, and a half dozen others, completed the work of distributing the funds of the order at Heppner yesterday evening, and left here for Portland this morning.

They will not be discharged yet, however, but will remain organized until the general relief work at Heppner is all over.

Knights of Pythias Lose Seven. J. H. Gowan has returned from Heppner, where he went as one of the state committee appointed by the Knights of Pythias to look after the interests of the order at that place. The order lost seven members who lost their homes and all their property. These were all taken care of by the state.

German Farmers Returning Home. New York, June 26.—Having completed their seven weeks' tour through the United States, the delegation of 41 Germans sent to this country by the Kaiser to study agricultural methods, are preparing to leave for home.

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# HEPPNER RISES FROM THE RUIN

## Can Now Handle the Work of Cleaning Up the Remaining Wreckage Alone.

Heppner, June 26.—The last three or four bodies recovered have been so thoroughly decomposed that identification is almost impossible except by trunks, jewelry clinging to the remnants of pants of clothing left upon them. The clothing left upon them, or some distinct mark upon the bodies, is the only way to identify them. The hot weather is drying up the mud and slime until it is caked on everything. The drift is stuck together by it, like it were cement.

There is system and regularity everywhere now, and with the money at their disposal the people of Heppner can soon stand alone once more. The executive committee has everything working harmoniously and with the departure of the outside help, can finish the task of clearing up the ruins with labor of Heppner and locality.

Unless a special request is made for assistance it is necessary for any laborers to come here. The great question now before the citizens is where and how to start in to rebuild the city of Heppner, a city of a century to build it up to the stage it had reached, and while some are able to begin at once, others cannot make the start.

Odd Fellows Relief Work. The Odd Fellows relief committee, consisting of R. Alexander, of this city; O. D. Doan, of The Dalles; W. T. Williamson and James Welch, of Astoria, and a half dozen others, completed the work of distributing the funds of the order at Heppner yesterday evening, and left here for Portland this morning.

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Will Have to Buy Seed. John Hoffman, who is farming something like 2,400 acres on Eureka flat, returned from a trip through that district yesterday, and says that he has bought that at an average of 15 to 18 bushels per acre were obtained, farmers may consider themselves in luck, says the Walla Walla Statesman. Some fields, he states, would average much better, but in many instances whole fields of spring wheat and in some instances fall wheat will hardly be worth the cutting. Farmers are now figuring on pulling out even on the year's work and while some will have a little money this year, others will little more than pull even if they do that. Many farmers it is believed, will be compelled to buy their seed wheat this fall.

Oregon's Prune Crop. "This year's prune crop of Oregon," says Frank Lee, editor of the Northwest Pacific Farmer, "will be one of the largest ever produced in this state, and the crop is in excellent condition. The total yield will amount to 900,000 bushels, it is providing the drying capacity is sufficient to handle the yield in time. In all sections of the state the crop is in excellent condition and I have no doubt that the coming crop will be the best that this state has ever produced. Oregon will have a much larger crop in proportion to the acreage than will the state of California this year. I expect that the season will open with quotations at about 4 cents a pound."

Deadly Hunt. Five hundred rabbits and one coyote met death in the Hay creek neighborhood during the hallstom Monday afternoon. The rabbits were killed outright by the hallstoms and the coyote was knocked down by them. A sheepman there seeing the animal's predicament, held a saddle over his head to keep from getting killed himself, and went out and clubbed the coyote to death. In such a way do all the elements conspire to do good to this favored country.—Hend Bulletin.