OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

100 STAMPS AT GOLD COIN.

Stensive Preparations Made to Continue Operations.

Baker City-Dr. T. H. White, one one he arranged for the addition of mer me to their ten-stamp mill alris on ra ion, and purchased a w hoist to be shipped to the mine at

size the favorable decision in the on the other day, the mine will be county. full operation the balance of the

Managing Owner James A. Panting, the Gold Hill mine, in the Durkee up, 26 miles southeast of Baker City, here and reports that he has had a is work he struck another stream of ing the railroad spur. strin the mine, which will give him afficient supply to irrigate another warres of the home ranch. He says neent heavy snow storm will beneboth farming and mining interests.

No Longer Superintendent.

Silem - David E. Baxter, who was gisted county superintendent of book in November by the county grt of Wheeler county, is out of The county superintendent ad, and the county court appointed th Baster to fill the vacancy. Atoner General Crawford held that the m, and that Baxter would hold office dil 1908. Recently it was discovered at Bester did not hold a first-grade pu to Baxter's eligibility to hold the in. This time the attorney general at that unless Baxter could show a distinct as required by law, the office stream. The court not fied Baxter ice. He resigned.

Many Men at Opp Mine.

Gants Pass-At the Opp mine, near risonville, about 60 men are at work and around the mine. All the mainery, even the sawmill, is operated eletricity. The company owns 240 memovered with timber, and all the mber for building purposes at the meand the timbers used in the mine sent by the sawmill. This is the m sawmill in this part of the state to perated by electricity. All the air tunnels and drifts at the Opp issue lighted by electricity. The mpany has just finished installing an roupressor and power drills.

Meat for New Railroad. Irlington - Henry O. Busey has ed a half interest in the meat es here from C. C. Clark. Alout the contract has been let to a er Canadian firm to fornish the fresh for all the contractors of the othern Pacific railroad now being misriver, this Arlington firm is widing the meat for the railroad men miles east and 20 miles west of ington. Several hundred dollars

New Industry for Gresham. Sham - The Gresham Trading & ching company has begun work on a id storage plant, which will cost be-# \$3,000 and \$5,000. The commy intends to engage in an extensive cting business, and will operate rely in dressed means of all kinds of the storage of all perishable proch. It is the intention of the com-My to conduct a business aggregating # 1400,000 during the coming year, dit will be prepared for hot weather.

Contract Let for Ties.

Bin-Another large contract for for the Wallowa extension has 8 00; grain hay, \$7@8. miss by the O R. & N. Co. to. ette Eiwards, of Spokane. Mr. Ed-els is equipping two camps and hirmen to commence work at once. tentract calls for 20,000 ties to be need by June. He has the privil-,000 more, if he so desires.

To Build Railway.

le for the United Railways company. incorporators are W. D. Larrabee. H. French and J. White Eveans, per sack; No. 2, 70@80c. toud is to run from some point in fland to Peak, in Washington coun-The capital stock is \$5,000, dividato 50 shares of \$100.

Oregon Firms Dissolved. alem - Governor Chamberlain has ed a proclamation, as required by dissolving about 5,000 corporaas that have not complied with the

lions of the corporation license tax mixed chickens, 11@12c; Most of the companies have aldy gone out of business. Subscribe Many Acres. kebo-More than 6,000 acres of land

a been subscribed to the Umatilla sers' association. The executive mittee has met and signed the artiad incorporation and the papers

to the secretary of State Loans \$61,200. The State Land board has ted 44 farm loans amounting to The money loaned belonge he state school fund and draws 6 LAND TRADE IN DISPUTE.

Deal Involving 4,000,000 Feet of Lumber in Court.

galer City—Dr. T. H. Stoddard Bros. and Henry Hewitt is for the solution of the Program occupying public attention. Hewitt lem. The conference of the Venezuelan prob-Baker City-A lands trade between three owners of the Portland, occupying public attention. Hewitt lem. The conference on this phase of filed an action at law against the Stod- the question occurred some time ago, dards, asking \$2,852 damages, because and M. Jusserand, the French ambashe alleges the defendants in that action sador, has final assurances that the cut sawlogs on his property. The Stod-The machinery will all be made dard Brothers have come back with a crossbill in equity, alleging that they Caracas will not be interrupted at traded Hewitt a quarter section of land since the favorable Circuit court, for a like amount of property in this Monrore doctrine.

Under the agreement, they say, they were to build a railroad spur onto the any time, but on this point the French land and cut the timber thereon, and government is observing the strictest Hewitt was also to cut immediately the timber on the land they traded him. charge, who, it is believed, is now at The party securing more than \$1,900,- Curacoa, will come to this country on here and reports that work retimbering 000 feet of good sawlogs was to put up his way home, and on his arrival at ill force of men at and stopes, and the difference to the other. They ask New York he will find an invitation and of the tunnels and ledge ten feet that Hewitt be forced to comply, as from the French ambassador at Wash-public in China. at he has cut the lower levels. In doing they have been under expense in buildington to spend several days here in

Visit Excites Speculation.

Baker City - It is reported on good authority that George L. Thayer, of Walla Walla, engineer for the Northwestern Gas & Electric company, who has been in this vicinity for the past few days, has been investigating a project for a mammoth reservoir at the Rock creek power plant, which at present furnishes the current for Baker City's lights. This reservoir would be used to furnish power for the plant during the dry season. Another report states a project is under consideration to cut Baker City off the Rock creek circuit, and that the company will use that plant for power for the mines and Bourne alone, and will use the plant different and again a question came being installed in South Baker to furnish power for this city.

Pays \$35,000 for Store.

Eugene-The largest price paid for any one piece of Eugene real estate in moduce his certificate or give up the many years was when F. E. Dunn, a dry goods merchant, purchased from J. H. McClung the two story brick block over large areas of Europe the prevailand the lot on which it stands at Eighth | ing characteristics were unseasonably and Willamette streets for \$35,000. The building is 70 by 120 feet and is Crops lightly sown have germinated occupied by a dry goods store, a book finely and entered on the winter in store and a drug store on the lower strong, healthy condition. Late sowing floor, and offices on the upper floor. It of crops, in Europe, however, were unwas built about four years ago by Mr. usually extensive, and some anxiety is McClung. Mr. Dunn will move his felt concerning them. stock of goods into the building.

Fruit Pests Must Go.

of Linn county met at the courthouse growing crops have an improved apand listened to the newly appointed fruit inspector explain the evils of the various fruit pests, and the means of age. eradicating them. Those present took home with them formulae for the de- unfavorable and there was no marked struction of every pest that blights improvement. Linn county fruit, and the crusade In Roumania the area under whent of Miss Alice Roosevelt, whice against vermin will begin immediately. is 25 per cent short of last year. The take place at noon February 17. The effort to rid Linn county of fruit 1905 crop is now estimated at from 50, pests will not stop with orchardists 000,000 to 55,000,000 bushels. The

Sawmill Closes Down.

Albany- The big sawmills of the Curties Lumber company, at Mill City, on the Corvallis & Eastern railroad, has shut down for a few days. It was stated the mills needed overhauling, and the deep snow in some portions of the formest alone. the Cascade mountains has interfered somewhat with the logging operations of the company and a shortage is the result. This condition is not expected to prevail very long.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Club, 70@71c; bluestem, 72 @73c; red, 67@68c; valley, 73c. Oats-No. 1 white feed, \$27.50@ 28.50; gray, \$27@28 per ton.

Barley-Feed, \$23.50@24 per ton; brewing, \$23.50@24; rolled, \$24@25.

Buckwheat-\$2.50 per cental. Hay - Eastern Oregon timothy, \$13.50@14 00 per ton; valley timothy, 9@10; clover, 7.50@8; cheat, \$7.00@

Fruits - Apples, 75c@\$1 per box; choice, \$1.25@1.50; fancy, \$2@2.50; pears, \$1.25@1.50 per box; cranberries, \$13@13.50 per barrel.

Vegetables - Beans, 20c per pound; cabbage, 214c per pound; cauliof accepting another contract for flower, \$2 per crate; celery, \$3 per crate; bell peppers, 35c per pound; pumpkins, %@lc per pound; sprouts. 6 1/4 @7c per pound; squash, 1 1/4 @1 1/4 c Men - Articles of incorporation per pound; turnips, 90c@\$1 per sack; sen filed with the secretary of carrots, 65@75c per sack; beets, 85c@ \$1 per sack.

Onions - Oregon, No. 1, \$1@1.15

Potatoes - Fancy graded Burbanks, 70@75c per hundred; ordinary, 50@ 60c; sweet potatoes, 2@214c per

Butter-Fancy creamery, 27%@32% per pound.

Eggs - Oregon ranch, 27@2716c per dozen. Poultry - Average old hens, 12%@ 13c per pound; springs, 12@13c; broilers, 13@15c; dressed chickens, 14@15c; turkeys, live, 15@16c; turkeys, dressed. choice, 17@20c; geese, live, 9@11; dressed, 12@14c; ducks, 16@ geese,

Hops-Oregon, 1905, choice, 10@11c per pound; prime, 81/4@91/2c; me-

dium, 7@8c; olds, 5@7c. Wool- Eastern Oregon average best, 16@21c per pound; valley, 24@26c;

mohair, choice, 30c. Beef-Dressed bulls, 2@21/c per pound; cows, 31/4 @ 41/4c; country steers, 4@5c.

Veal-Dressed, 314@814c per pound. Mutton — Dressed, fancy, 71, @8c; ordinary, 4@5c; lambs, 7@71c.
Pork—Dressed, 6@71/c per pound. GIVEN FREE HAND.

France Assures United States She Respects Monroe Doctrine.

Washington, Jan. 23 .- Convinced of the sincerity of the assurances received in a Condensed Form for Our from France regarding her loyalty to the Monroe doctrine and all that it involves, the Washington government has given the Paris government a free efforts of France to obtain diplomatic treatment for her charge d'affaires at Washington as in any violative of the

The first move in the execution of the French program may be expected at secrecy. M. Taigny, the retiring French conference with M. Juseerand, on whom the burden of an important phase of the Venezuelan negotiation naturally falls, that he may have the benefit of the facts about the situation. It is not unlikely that M. Taigny will also of a wedding gift for Miss Alice Roose-

see Secretary Root. The whereabouts of the French ships remain a mystery so far as the officials of the State department and French embassy are concerned, it is said. It is assumed, however, that they are daily in touch with the ministry of marine at Paris, and are awaiting an opportunity to take such action as

their instructions may provide for. Great interest is felt in diplomatic circles here about the exact nature of a sentence found objectionable in the note of President Castro to M. Taigny.

EUROPEAN CROPS IN DANGER.

Weather is Unseasonably Warm and Excessively Humid.

crop report for December shows that grazing stock. warm weather and excessive humidity.

In Great Britain the winter wheat area has been extended. The acreage, however, is still believed to be dimin-Albany - Last week the orchardists ished, as compared with last year. The pearance.

In France the wheat area is the aver-

In Germany weather conditions were

In Roumania the area under wheat bulk of it is said to be out of condition, hence no important export movement to north of Europe points is expected until spring.

No important definite news regarding the condition of winter sown cereals in Russia are reaching the outside world.

WHERE DID THE MONEY GO?

Colorado Propounds Searching Questions to Insurance Companies.

Denver, Jan. 23 .- All of the 222 jnsurance companies doing bus ness in this state have been asked, through their head officials, to make oath to replies to a list of questions compiled by the Colorado Insurance department.

Some of the questions asked are whether money has ever been contributed to campag'n funds, particularly during the last six years, and if so, whether or not it is proposed to continue the practice, and also if the item 'legal expenses" in the report of 1905 included contribution to funds for campaign purposes or to influence legisla-

Trade with the Netherlands.

Washington, Jan. 23 .- According to report of the bureau of statistics of the department of Agriculture exports for the fiscal year 1905 amounted to \$73,000,000 and our imports \$22.000,-000 from the Netherlands. Our exports to Belgium in the same year were \$28,000,000 and our imports from that country \$26,000.000. The Netherlands and Belgium rank next to the United Kingdom, Germany and France in importance as markets for products of the United States. Copper exports to the Netherlands aggregated \$20,000,000.

Arms to Overthrow the Czar.

Baltimore, Jan. 23 .- At a meeting of Hebrews held last night in celebration of the anniversary of "Red Sunday," Jacob Pauken, of New York, aroused the large audience to great enthusiasm by his appeal for funds with which to purchase arms for the peasants and working classes in Russia. "The revolution has begun," said Pauken, "and will never stop. It would be accomplishing more now, but the people have no guns.

Drydock Dewey Spoken. Washington, Jan. 23 .- The drydock Dewey, on the way to the Philippines, has again been heard from. The commandant of the coaling station at San Juan, P. R, reports that the Dewey was spoken Friday night by the cruiser Maryland. The Dewey was in latitude All were well.

NEWS OF THE WEEK

Busy Readers.

hand in the execution of the program HAPPENINGS OF TWO CONTINENTS tary of the interior, as at present.

A Resume of the Less Important bu Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

pines will be sold to Japan.

The discovery of 25 new stars is announced by Harvard observatory.

Thirty-seven persons were saved from the wreck of the Valencia, making the death roll 117.

A revolutionary agitation is now on looking to the establishment of a re-The president has made public evi-

dence that the beef trust has bribed reporters in Chicago. The Cuban senate has passed a bill appropriating \$25,000 for the purchase

The Canadian government will be asked to provide a life saving station near Cape Beale, where the Valencia

The largest telephone switchboard in the United States outside of New York and Chicago will soon be installed in San Francisco.

Chairman Shonts, of the Canal commission, has admitted that he still holds his old position as president of the Clover Leaf railroad and is drawing \$12,000 a year salary from that com-

The Wyoming Woolgrowers' association has adopted resolutions against the leasing of public lands, any reduction in the tariff on wools and hides Washington, Jan. 23. - The foreign and opposing the present charges for comrades, who are awaiting their turn

General Joseph Wheeler is dead.

The Chinese empress downger is busy

selecting an heir to the throne. Japan has adopted a plan which will enable her to pay the war debt in a comparatively short time.

Forty more Chinese commissioners are coming to the United States to study American life and customs.

Congress will be asked to pass a law giving the secretary of the navy power to dismiss midshipmen he finds guilty

of Miss Alice Roosevelt, which is to tion of every day affairs. A resolution has been introduced in

the senate authorizing the payment of the funeral expenses, amounting to \$547, of the late senator Mitchell. An earthquake has been felt in New

Mexico and Arizona. Not a great deal of damage was done, although buildings rocked and chimneys tumbled.

Castro says M. Taigny, the French charge d'affaires, violated diplomatic etiquette. He also claims Taigny was not representative of France when expelled.

France is not quite ready to whip Castro.

The government has opened its case in the trial of the packing trust at Chi-

Serious anti-Jewish rioting occurred Red Sunday.

A shipment of 1,000,000 salmon eggs to New Zealand has been made from Tehama, California.

The Chinese commissioners in the United States to learn our ways are making many friends.

The prosecuting attorney of Missouri is actively engaged in taking testimony against the Standard Oil company.

Burton has renewed his pledge to do all in his power to secure an appropria-

tion for the mouth of the Columbia. Physicains in attendance apon Gen eral Joseph Wheeler say his attack of

pneumonia is slight and they expect to have him out soon. The United Mineworkers of America

has voted for an increase in wages. A competitive examination will be

held at Whitman college, Walla Walla,, February 10, for aspirants for appointment as midshipmen. A bomb was thrown into a crowd of

police at Odessa, Russia, injuing two officers. Two bomb factories have been discovered and many arrests followed. Fresh trouble has appeared in the

Balkan states. Rockefeller has given \$1,450,000 to Chicago university.

The government has abandoned the the private company go ahead with the the officials of the State department.

for experimental dry farming in semiarid regions. The Brazilian warship Aquidaban

number 300.

Representative French, of Idaho, has

introduced a bill appropriating \$10,000

CONTROL THE CASH.

Senators Want Hand in the Allotment of Reclamation Funds.

Washington, Jan. 22 .- The senate committee on irrigation today discussed the proposition to amend the national irrigation law by placing the distribution of the reclamation fund in the hands of congress, instead of the secre-Strong sentiment in favor of the change developed. Several senators on the at committee believe it unwise to permit the secretary of the interior to have undisputed control of this fund, now aggregating \$32,000,000. No bill for this purpose was pending, but probably Secretary Taft denies that the Philip- such a bill will be introduced and passed this session.

The discussion today was incident to a debate on Heyburn's townsite bill. which authorizes the withdrawal of land for townsite purposes on government irrigation tracts, and provides that money derived from the sale of town lots shall be turned into the reclamation fund for expenditure on town improvements. This bill was referred to a sub-committee for report.

The committee also gave attention today to Fulton's bill authorizing the atlons with his good business Judgcondemnation of land needed as part of national irrigation projects. No action was taken, but members expressed the opinion that such a law would be unconstitutional. This bill was drawn particularly with a view to enabling the government to acquire private land under the Malheur irrigation project. It will be acted upon later.

SLAY WORKMEN IN THREES.

How Soldiers Strike Terror-Enraged Reds Plan Reprisals.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 22 .- It is lieved that workmen employed in the opinion was held in such value by his government works are being shot after townsmen that to his influence and brief trials by courts martial. It is re- example was due the loyalty of many ported that the victims selected for slaughter are led out three at a time and executed before the eyes of their to face the soldiers. As soon as one batch has been dispatched, three other The revolt of Letts in Russia is hard prisoners are lined up in the same spot and shot. Firing has been heard at the scenes of execution, continuing without cessation. The military has also resorted to beating girls brutally as a means of punishment.

Stories of the cruelties that are being practiced have become noised about, and they have entirely inflamed the revolutionists, who are planning re-

In the south of Russia there is a great congestion of grain, as it has been accumulated for some time, and there is no means of transporting it, as the authorities are too busy with their President and Mrs. Roosevelt have campaign of repression against the resent out the invitations to the wedding volutionists to think of the administra-

BUDS SWELL IN CHICAGO.

Warmest Winter Day in History May Injure Growing Things.

Chicago, Jan. 22. - Something has gone wrong with the weather machine. All residents of this city are willing to swear to this fact. The mercury reached 63 at 4 p. m. today, breaking all records since New Year's day of 1876, when it stood at 65 above. Gardeners at the parks and along the boulevards have become greatly worried The mild rains, light snows and general springlike weather of the past two weeks have brought the sap into motion and buds are beginning to swell. Maple trees are said to be as in Bessarabia during the celebration of far advanced as they should be on rales. March 1, and many of the more or less delicate vines are well along toward the spring rejuvenation. Now that a cold wave is predicted for tomorrow, with a drop of nearly 40 degrees, great fears are expressed lest all vegetation now started may suffer such a set-back as will cause great loss in the floral and shrubbery display of the many miles of park and boulevards in the spring.

All States Should Act.

New York, Jan. 22. - A general decision that insurance reforms should be inaugurated immediately by state legislatures throughout the country was arrived at by the insurance commissioners of several states who conferred with the New York legislative committee which investigated the matter. Conferences between this committee and the state commissioners have covered a period of two days. Senator Armstrong, chairman of the New York committee, said that there would probably be no more conferences.

Stevens for Lock Canal.

Washington, Jan. 22. - Secretary Taft called at the white house tonight and furnished to the president the minority report of the board of consulting engineers of the Isthmian Canal commission. This report was prepared by Chief Engineer Stevens, who, it is stated, is in favor of a lock canal. The secretary stated that his visit had nothing to do with the Venezuelan ques-Harney irrigation project and will let tion, which is entirely in the hands of

Cruiser Denver to Watch Castro. Washington, Jan. 22 .- The protected cruiser Denver, which has been temporarily detached from the fifth division of the Atlantic fleet, has sailed from Culebra for San Juan. The Denver 27.52 north and longitude 48.29 west. blew up, killing all the officers and will be detained in West Indian waters She was traveling four knots an hour, crew excepting 50. The dead will for the present, awaiting the turn o events in Venezuela.

neessessessess A Little Lesson In Patriotism

Francis Lewis, signer of the Declaration of Independence, was born in Llandaff, Wales, and educated in the



city of London. On coming of age he at once embarked to the American colonies, establishing himself in a commercial business in New York.

At the time when the colonies were in a state of unrest and war seemed the inevitable solution of the difficulties and

FRANCIS LEWIS. wrongs of the colonists, Lewis, aithough aware of the fact that war was certain to wreck his business and to endanger his personal interests, at once threw his lot with that of the revolutionists. He aided their deliberment. He freely distributed his money to aid their cause. His own house at Whitestone, Long Island, was burned by the British and his wife imprisoned in the city.

Lewis was one of the first to join the Sons of Liberty. He was a member of the New York committee in the first Continental Congress and served on several advisory bodies. He was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

He was commissioner of the board of admiralty and held several important and honorary offices under the new government. He was a man whose a citizen of New York.

THE STORY OF SANTO DOMINGO.

Area, 18,045 square miles.

Population, 500,000; language, Span-

Population, mixed race of white, Indian and African blood. Slavery introduced in 1502; abolished

in 1822. Chief cities, Santo Domingo, capital; population, 20,000; Puerto Plata, 6,000;

La Vega, 6,000; Santiago, 8,000; Samana, 1,500. Term of President and Vice President (according to the constitution), four

years. Congress, a single house of twentyfour members. State religion, Roman Catholic.

Municipal schools, 30; pupils, 3,000; newspapers, S. Debt. \$32,000,000 gold; annual reve-

ues, about \$2,000,000. Products, sugar, rum, cacao, tobacco, coffee, tropical fruits, fine woods.

1492-Island discovered by Columbus. 1496-Santo Domingo city founded. 1795-Spain transferred island to

1801-French driven out by Toussaint 1802-French reoccupied island. 1809-French driven out by English

and entire island of Santo Domingo given to Spanish. 1822-Revolt succeeded and the two island governments united under Presi-

dent Boyer of Hayti. 1844 Santo Domingo republic separated from Hayti.

1861-Santo Domingo republic ceded by President Santana to Spain. 1865-Spaniards driven out. 1870-Treaty of cession to the United

States rejected by the American Senate. 1886-Gen. Ulises Heureaux elected President. 1809-Heureaux assassinated by Ra-

mon Caceras. 1899 to 1905-Presidents Figuero, Jiminez, Vasquez, Wos y Gil and Mo-

He Wasn't Afraid to Try.

C. W. Raymond, Chief Justice of the United States Court of Appeals of Indian Territory, was a factory hand at Onarga, Ill., at 90 cents a day, twentyfive years ago. He resolved to become a lawyer, and made application to Henry A. Butzow, the county clerk of his county, for employment. The clerk wrote him that at that time be did not need any further assistance, but that the future might bring a demand for additional help. He closed his letter as follows: "Our work is adding, adding, adding, all day long.

Did you ever try it?" Young Raymond was equal to the occasion, and answered the clerk on a postal card, as follows: "No, I have never tried adding, adding, adding, all day long, but I can try, try, try, and I won't fail."-Success Magazine.

Not a Born Forger. The indorsement of checks is a very simple thing, but, as the following story will show, it, too, has its diffi-

cultles: A woman went into a bank where she had several times presented checks drawn to Mrs. Lucy B. Smith, This time the check was made to the order of Mrs. M. J. Smith-M. J. were her husband's initials. She explained this to the paying teller, and asked

what she should do. "Oh, that is all right," he said. "Just indorse it as it is written there." She took the check, and after much healtation, said, "I don't think I can make an M like that."

Airy Fiction.

"He has wonderful imagination," said Miss Cayenne.

"But he is not an author." "No. He tells what he is going to do with the money he wins at the races."-Washington Star.