

# HAS AN UNCLE IN BRUSSELS

### Miss Louisa Blatt Anxiously Awaiting Word from Storm Center of War.

Miss Louisa Blatt is probably one of the most interested persons on Coos Bay in the European war news these days. Miss Blatt's favorite uncle, Herman Blatt, is a large manufacturer in Brussels, has a summer home in Dinant and branch offices in London.

Miss Blatt has visited at his home in Brussels and Dinant and is familiar with the entire section that is now the scene of such awful carnage.

The family has not heard from him for some time and are anxiously awaiting some word bringing assurance of the personal safety of himself and family.

The many interesting views of Belgium and the cities where the battles have been raging, that have been displayed in The Times window, are from Miss Blatt's splendid collection.

# GRAND JURORS FREE COOLEY

### Discharge Former Curry County Man on Van Pelt Murder Charge—Old Case.

(Special to The Times.)  
GOLD BEACH, Or., Aug. 27.—The Curry County grand jury yesterday made a final report in the case of A. R. Cooley, who was arrested last spring in San Francisco for the murder of John Van Pelt fifteen years ago, returning "not a true bill." The report caused much elation among Cooley's many friends and relatives here. Cooley formerly resided in Curry, but a number of years ago moved to San Francisco, where he and his family made their home. The crime of which he was accused was the assassination of Van Pelt during the old feud in Curry county. Cooley protested his innocence and claimed that the charges against him were trumped up by a detective named Doyle and a former Spokane bank employe named Higgins, the latter accusing his former employer of paying Cooley for killing Van Pelt.

Cooley has been here, friends and relatives in Curry furnishing the heavy bail required. The grand jury started the investigation last April, but did not finish it until this term of court.

### Witnesses Not There.

The reason for the failure of the case was that Higgins and Doyle, the state's principal witnesses, refused to answer the subpoenas issued and there was insufficient evidence without them the grand jury refused to indict or hold Cooley longer.

### Mayer Not Guilty.

Geo. Mayer, who was indicted with Edmund Eggers for manslaughter for shooting a man mistaking him for a deer, was found not guilty by a jury in the circuit court. The verdict was not unexpected, as the case and evidence against him was similar to that against Eggers, who had previously been acquitted of the same charge.

### Court Adjourns.

Court adjourned yesterday at four o'clock, having disposed of all business. Judge Coke and the visiting attorneys are now on their way to Marshfield.

# CONGRESS OF LOGGERS MEET

### Sixth Annual Session Being Held at Bellingham Opened Today.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)  
BELLINGHAM, Wash., Aug. 27.—The sixth annual session of the Pacific Logging Congress was opened here today with an address by President J. J. Donovan. The morning session was devoted to reading papers on suggested improvements in the logging industry.

### LAUNCH BREAK leaves every day at 1:30 p. m. for SOUTH Coos River, Docks at CENTRAL AVENUE slip.

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# SHIPPING NEWS

## ELDER BEATEN BY BREAKWATER

### Capt. Macgenn says That His Vessel Gained on Rival on Last Two Trips.

Captain Macgenn of the Breakwater, which arrived in early today from Portland, was highly elated over the showing the Breakwater was making against the Elder. On the trip down he said that the Breakwater left Portland twelve hours behind the Elder and arrived here within an hour and a half of the Elder's arrival. On the last trip up the coast he said the Breakwater beat the Elder by over two hours. The Portland Telegram has the following story of the race:

"Leaving Coos Bay Sunday afternoon for Portland but ten minutes ahead of the George W. Elder, the steamship Breakwater, Captain T. J. Macgenn, beat her into the Columbia River two hours. The race proved interesting to the passengers and the first part of it was rather exciting.

"After the steamers had proceeded up the coast about five miles from the Coos Bay bar the Elder changed her course a bit and kept well over toward the shore side to be in smoother water. But the Breakwater held a straight course and Captain Macgenn says he sent a wireless challenge to the Elder to do likewise and 'give him a run.' In his message he explained that the Breakwater had not been in drydock for ten months, but that fact would not prevent him from indulging in a little contest. The captain states his challenge was not accepted.

"After the steamers parted company five miles north of Coos Bay the Elder caught up with the Breakwater seven hours later. Then the weather became thick and the craft did not sight each other again. But as the Breakwater reached the river two hours ahead of her rival it is presumed by Captain Macgenn that he must have passed her in the fog.

"In October," said Captain Macgenn, "the Breakwater will go in drydock for cleaning and painting and to be equipped with a new propeller. When she has been put in that shipshape condition I intend to issue a challenge to the speediest steamer on the Coast to race the Breakwater the first opportunity presenting itself when a southeaster is blowing and the sea is rough. I am confident that under such conditions there is no steamer on the coast that will be able to beat the Breakwater."

"The captain states that the residents of Coos Bay are planning to organize and make an effort to induce Congress to appropriate funds for the building of the jetty down there. He explains that the government dredge Col. P. S. Michie has done most effective work, but the opinion is held that the jetty will have to be built before the depth of water wanted over the bar will be realized. A delegation probably will be sent to Washington, D. C., to work for funds for the construction of the jetty."

## G. W. ELDER IN EARLY TODAY

### Arrives in from Portland with 72 Passengers and a Fair Cargo.

The steamer Geo. W. Elder crossed the bar early this morning, arriving in at North Bend at 8 o'clock. Seventy-two passengers were aboard for Coos Bay and an average cargo was brought in.

The trip was made down the coast in a rather heavy fog but fast running time was made. The boat's officials are endeavoring to get back on the old schedule which was thrown out by a recent trivial breakdown on the Columbia River.

The Elder left for Eureka at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Among those arriving on the Elder were the following:

Samuel Gross, Vern Cantrill, P. R. Hatfield, C. E. Whitney, Wm. Hahn, A. E. Labowitch, J. C. Ervin, Mrs. Ervin, Lillian Ervin, Frank Ervin, M. K. Espy, Mrs. Palack, Mrs. Trullinger, Ralph H. Cake, J. W. Knight, G. W. Hollister, Florence Bard, Marion Gedley, Mrs. A. B. Gedley, Thayer Grimes, Henry Husey, M. Parker, E. C. Kelonge, A. W. Story, Mrs. Story, Grace Story, Glen Story, Elva Story, J. A. Hann, Gordon E. Taylor, F. V. Reese, A. Zerlang, Mrs. Zerlang, Geo. L. Oberst, Mrs. W. H. Perkins, Helen Perkins, C. P. Greve, Mrs. Scofield, D. J. McKinnon, W. P. Berglin, Mrs. Berglin, Miss P. Berglin, Ned Patteson, Clarence Gregg, Mrs. B. S. Hantze, Vera Hantze, Mrs. Sarah Cox, Mrs. Spencer Small, W. F. Reddig, Mrs. Reddig, Mrs. C. L. Eaton, R. L. Jackman, Mrs. Julia E. Johnson, L. Kehre, J. Cameron, Mrs. C. E. Gallup, Hazel Lane, E. N. Fearrien, Mrs. Fearrien, P. Rinyk, Geo. Ruyulja, Matt Belan, Jonas Madsen, Mrs. A. Holden, Margaret Holden, Paul Lauritzen, Randall Rogers, Roy Hallett, H. L. Hodges, F. A. McBurney, Mrs. McBurney, Virginia McBurney.

## BREAKWATER IN AT NOON TODAY

### Brings in Big Cargo of General Freight from Port- land.

The steamer Breakwater arrived in Marshfield about noon today with sixty-one passengers, including thirty steerage. She brought in an exceptionally large cargo of miscellaneous freight, about 325 tons in all. Sixty tons were groceries for the Allen & Lewis branch here. The Breakwater will leave at 12:30 tomorrow from the railroad dock.

Among those arriving today were:

L. A. Cutlip, Mrs. L. A. Cutlip, E. M. Gibbs, S. Carlson, A. Ellis, R. R. Hamilton, Mrs. Eva Wise, Miss F. Wise, Mrs. G. Rauback, R. Rauback, W. J. Tanner, G. W. Harry, Elizabeth Hohen, Alna Naudio, H. L. McClellan, Mike Corlis, G. Johnson, H. Stockton, Father Ouelter, M. B. GIB, Mrs. J. A. Zachary, Jesse Zachary, W. Rutz, G. L. Eckstrom, E. G. Magnus, Mrs. E. G. Magnus, Steen Magnus, Stella Magnus, Mrs. Nannie James, Miss Lena Hansen, Miss Iva Hansen.

## BREAKS JAIL IN GOLD BEACH

### R. A. Sullivan, Convicted of Forgery, Saws Way Through Iron Bars to Liberty.

(Special to The Times.)  
GOLD BEACH, Or., Aug. 27.—R. A. Sullivan, convicted of forgery at this term of court and yesterday sentenced to from two to twenty years in the penitentiary by Judge Coke, last night sawed his way through the iron bars of his cell to liberty and is still at large. During the session of court Sullivan was permitted some liberty and it is supposed secured the saw with which he effected his escape and smuggled it to his cell.

It is not known when he escaped as the first knowledge came when the jailer visited his cell this morning and found it empty and the iron bars of the window sawed through.

The sheriff has started in search for him and hopes to capture him before he gets away.

Let's go and see our friends at SAT. night at the OWLS' benefit.

## DIFFER ABOUT STREET WORK

### North Bend City Council and Property Owners Discuss Planking and Sidewalks

Whether to build sidewalks along the newly graded streets or to build a plank roadway in the center of the streets so that vehicles and pedestrians can both use it is a problem that the North Bend City Council is wrestling with. Tuesday night they discussed it for a couple of hours without reaching a decision. The property owners are also divided about it.

Owing to the absence of a quorum, the Council could not take up any ordinances or other new business and very little was done.

## BIDS ARE OPENED.

McLain & McLain Low Bidders on North Bend Sewage System.

McLain & McLain were the low bidders on the North Bend sewage system contract and the North Bend Council decided to accept it providing a conditional clause in the bid was eliminated. Mr. McLain specified that in case they should strike rock in the excavating, an additional charge would be made for the rock work and the Council would not agree to this. McLain & McLain bid \$5,261.60 and the Warren Construction Company, the only other bidder, bid \$5873. The sewer runs north from Connecticut to 400 feet north of Florida near the ball park.

In a crowd lined up before a Coos Bay bar there are few who care whether they keep their neutrality on straight after the third drink.



# Womens' New Suits Fall Styles

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## CHRISTMAS JOY FOR KIDDIES

### Norton & Hansen Shipment of Toys Direct from Germany Came Before the War.

Johnny Jones and Mary Jane and all their little friends and playmates, have a pleasant surprise ahead of them. After the report that there would be no imported toys from Europe this year because of the war, Warner Ogren, manager of Norton & Hansen, announces that he made his purchases early this year with instructions for prompt shipment and part of the invoice has already arrived and the remainder on the way. He bought extensively and better yet, at prices so that they will not be any higher and if anything may be lower than other years. Coos Bay is fortunate in this respect as it is one of the few cities in the country that will have an abundant supply of toys this Christmas and at reasonable prices.

## AMONG THE SICK

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Dodson is reported quite ill. James Cowan is in from Ten Mile getting treatment for an infection of the lip resulting from bad teeth. Wm. Cooper, a young man at Bay City, is fatally ill of a complication of diseases.

Wed. Today.—L. E. Rhodes and Miss Mabel King, a North Bend couple, were married by Justice Pennock at his office here today. They will reside in North Bend.

New Case Begun.—H. W. Painter today began suit in Justice Pennock's court against Ebbekas for \$38 which he claimed that the Tozier Grocery, which Ebbekas bought, owed him for goods. It was stated that Mr. Tozier was offering to make an assignment for the benefit of his creditors. Sheriff

iff Gage is planning to take an inventory of the stock and other claimants are endeavoring to force Ebbekas to show a bill of sale.

TOMPkins' HIRED MAX, \$6. Night at the MASONIC opera house for the BENEFIT of the OWLS.

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