

ROWERS ARE INTERESTED

Number of Entries in Regatta Events This Year Will Be Greater Than ever Before.

COLLEGE RACE IS PLANNED

Crews From Berkeley, Stanford and Washington University to Take Part in Championship Match.

Chairman McBride of the regatta committee has returned from Portland, where he has been working for the carnival. While in the metropolis Mr. McBride secured a \$100 contribution to the fund from Henry Weinhard, the brewer, who stipulated that \$25 should go to the Fourth of July fund and the balance to the regatta fund.

"I find that the oarsmen and yachtsmen of Portland are quite as enthusiastic this year over the regatta as they have previously been," said Chairman McBride yesterday. "Portland will be liberally represented in the sailing and rowing events this year, and already the sportsmen of that city are making preparations for the carnival."

"While in Portland I talked with Mr. Arnold of Arnold Bros., showmen, and, although there have been no definite arrangements thus far, I am satisfied we will have an excellent street show here in August. We expect to close up this matter within a short time."

"The hose team of Oregon City is anxious to participate in the regatta tournament, and there will be enough entries to make the event successful. We have decided to have a float in the Fourth of July parade at Portland as an advertisement for the regatta."

Chairman McBride states that the rowing events will be quite interesting this year. So far as the Californians are concerned, they will be glad to come north, but the committee is anxious that they bring shells instead of barges.

"All of the northern crews use shells," said Mr. McBride, "and the Californians should bring shells in order to make the competition successful. When they come with barges, they must compete with each other, and the events are therefore not so interesting as where the Californians try conclusions with the oarsmen of the north. We shall endeavor to impress this upon them."

"We have not yet heard from the oarsmen of Victoria and Vancouver, B. C., but will receive a detailed report when Charles V. Brown returns to the city. Mr. Brown is consulting with the British Columbians, and doubtless crews will be entered from each of the cities to the north."

"We are now arranging for what should be one of the very best rowing races ever pulled off on the coast. It is the intention to bring together crews representing the University of California, Stanford university and the University of Washington. We will no doubt get those crews together for the intercollegiate coast championship. An event of the kind will attract widespread attention and add to the interest of the carnival. We hope to be able to make a definite announcement

with reference to this matter shortly." Mr. McBride added that preparations for the carnival were well along, and that there was every indication of the 1904 event being more successful than any other ever held. There has not yet been a count of ballots in the queen contest, and probably will not be for a week, as only a limited number of boxes were placed when the contest was opened. Several other stores were provided with ballot boxes yesterday, and the voting will now be earnestly commenced.

CHILDREN'S DAY

Will Be Properly Observed in Astoria Churches.

Tomorrow will be children's day, and the event will be appropriately observed by the Congregational and Methodist churches. The places of worship will be decorated with flowers, and interesting programs will be rendered.

The program at the Methodist church will be as follows:

- Program.**
- Opening voluntary.
 - Chorus.....School
 - Scripture lesson.
 - Prayer.
 - Chorus.....Mrs. Ferguson's Class
 - Recitation.....Lizzie Larson
 - Duet.....Ross Grim, Alfred Girdling
 - Exercise—The Daisies. 4 Primary Girls
 - Recitation.....Blanche Walker
 - Chorus.....School
 - Recitation—"A Sermon in the Flowers".....Stella Moore
 - Solo.....Violet Hegman
 - Recitation—"Not for Themselves".....Almont H. Ferguson
 - Exercise—"God Loves the Flowers".....Cora, Floy, Hazel, Leola Souden
 - Song—"Jesus Loves Us".....Primary Department
 - Solo.....Miss Halstead
 - Recitation—"I Am Only a Fanny Flower".....Bertha Coe
 - Chorus.....Miss Elmore's Class
 - Recitation.....Hattie Abercrombie
 - Duet—"On to Victory".....Gertrude and Rubina Larsen
 - Recitation—"Loaves and Fishes".....Dorothy Montgomery
 - Song—"Shining, Blooming, Singing".....Five Primary Girls
 - Address.....Rev. W. S. Grim
 - Collection.
 - Violin solo.....Miss Larsen
 - Chorus.....School
 - Benediction.

PICKLED HUMAN HEAD.

St. Louis, June 17.—The head of a South American tribal chieftain, cut off and preserved by his conqueror, a neighboring barbarian king, is a gruesome but interesting exhibit in the Brazilian section of the anthropological building at the world's fair. The head is a part of a collection of relics of the native tribes of Brazil.

After being cut off, the head was treated after the custom in such cases by having all the facial and skull bones removed. It was then put through a process of curing that hardens the flesh and preserves the original color. As a result the head is practically unchanged, except in size. The process reduces the size and the once savage chieftain's head now appears about the size of a man's fist. A luxuriant growth of hair of more than a foot in length is appended to the diminutive relic, the features of which are perfectly preserved. The mustache and beard are also perfect.

The specimen was secured from the warrior who decapitated it in the interior of South America and is the only relic of the nature on exhibition anywhere.

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOLS

Annual Report of City Superintendent Clark Has Been Filed With School Board.

TOTAL REGISTERED IS 1445

Boys Outnumber Girls by One in All the Schools—Other Interesting Showings Made by the Report.

The report of A. L. Clark, city superintendent of schools, for the year just ended has been filed with the clerk of the school board, E. Z. Ferguson. The report shows the following registration at the various city schools during the year:

School	Boys	Girls	Total
Alderbrook	58	57	115
Adair	124	166	290
Shively	159	126	285
McClure	188	179	367
Olney	91	71	162
Taylor	57	61	118
High school	46	62	108
Totals	723	722	1445

School was taught 176 days during the year, and the number of days' attendance in all the schools was 297,531.5. The number of days' absence is shown to have been 4630.5, the percentage of attendance having been 98. The average number of pupils daily belonging was 1206, while the average daily attendance was 1180.1. There were 161 cases of tardiness in all of the schools, as follows: Alderbrook, 16; Adair, 12; Shively, 29; McClure, 53; Olney, 13; Taylor, 34; high school, 4. The days' absence in the various schools was as follows: Alderbrook, 319.5; Adair, 539; Shively, 1144.5; McClure, 1627.5; Olney, 451.5; Taylor, 357.5; high school, 191.

THE PATRIOT EDITOR OF THE WORCESTER SPY.

With the recent suspension of The Worcester Spy, one of the few newspapers in the United States that has been in continuous publication for over a century, the last publication intimately associated with the name of Isaiah Thomas is scarcely remembered at the present time, although during his active years he was recognized as one of the leading printers and publishers in the country. Though less well known than Benjamin Franklin, he did fully as much as the latter for the encouragement of printing in the United States. The "History of Printing," in two large volumes, by him, is now one of the standard works on that subject, and the original book is so rare that a few years ago the Massachusetts Historical Society reprinted the work with later additions.

Isaiah Thomas was born in 1749 and died in 1831. He is best remembered in Worcester, Mass., where the greater part of his life was spent, as the founder of the American Antiquarian Society, which was established in 1812 and to which Isaiah Thomas contributed generously in money besides giving it 8,000 volumes, comprising the greater part of his library. That was a large collection for those days, and among the books are some exceedingly scarce works on early Americana.

The original name of the Worcester Spy was the Massachusetts Spy. It was started by Thomas in Boston in 1770 and within a few years the paper became known throughout the entire thirteen colonies from its fearless utterances against British oppression. So bold was the editor in this respect that Governor Hutchinson, one year after the appearance of the paper, ordered that Thomas be prosecuted and the matter was brought before the grand jury in Boston, but no cause for indictment was found. Just before the battle of Lexington, however, Thomas considered it wise to move his press to Worcester, Massachusetts and there, with the exception of two or three years, the paper continued to be issued until financial reverses caused its suspension a week ago. One of Thomas' mottoes during the Revolution was "Unanimity at home

and bravery and perseverance in the field will secure the independence of America." Another motto, and to which he rigidly adhered, was "Open to all parties and influenced by none."

In 1788, the Massachusetts legislature imposed a duty on all advertisements published in the newspapers of the state. Thomas thought this act laid an improper restraint upon the press and he stopped the publication of his paper for two years, until the obnoxious law was repealed. When he resumed publication on April 2, 1788, he made the following editorial explanation to his readers:

"The printer has the happiness of once more presenting to the public The Massachusetts Spy, or Worcester Gazette, its length is restored to its constitution (thanks to our present legislature after a suspension of two years. Heaven grant that the freedom of the press, on which depends the freedom of the people, may in the United States be ever guarded with a watchful eye, and defended from shackles of every form and shape until the trump of the celestial messenger shall announce the final dissolution of all things."

On the last page of his paper at that time, the editor published the following notice:

"Printed at Worcester, Mass., by Isaiah Thomas, printer, bookseller and stationer. Has a large inland circulation in the commonwealth and the states of New Hampshire and Vermont. Nine shillings per annum. Advertisements not exceeding twelve lines inserted three weeks for four shillings and three weeks longer for two shillings."

The paper remained a weekly publication up to 1845, when it was issued as a daily. In point of continuous publication The Worcester Spy ranked fourth in the list of newspapers originally started in the colonies. The three other publications that are still in existence are the New Hampshire Gazette, started in 1756; the Newport Mercury, started in 1758, and the Hartford Courant, started in 1764, which has practically been the leading Connecticut newspaper from the time of its initial number.

The early files of the Massachusetts Spy during the Revolutionary war times are now extremely scarce, but a good collection of them may be found both in the Lenox library and the New York Historical Society.

SQUADRON ESCAPED.

Fog Aided the Russians in Getting Away.

Teklo, June 17.—(11 a. m.)—It is probable that the fog has again saved the Vladivostok squadron. Many rumors are current of an action at sea, but they are not confirmed. The Russian ships were first sighted off Okino Island at 8:30 a. m., June 15, by a patrol boat, which reported the fact to Vice Admiral Kamimura at an unknown base, who left in pursuit with his whole squadron.

Purchased Bonds.

San Francisco, June 17.—One million five hundred thousand dollars' worth of bonds of the North Shore road, a 100-mile line from Sausalito to Cazadero, have been bought here by E. H. Harriman and some of his western financial associates in accordance with the plan to make this minor road a part of the Southern Pacific. In addition, it is understood that Mr. Harriman has secured a good sized block of stock, so that now he virtually has a controlling interest in the road.

An Expensive City.

The city budget of New York is greater than the combined budgets of any five other cities in the country. New York pays salaries to more than 46,000 persons, amounting to about \$55,000,000 a year.

A Young Minister With Ideas.

Myron, the singer, has a little daughter named Marie, a pretty, curly haired child with plenty of spirit. For the last six or seven weeks she has studied her catechism diligently, and on Sunday she was confirmed by Bishop McDonnell. Just as she was about to start for the church a friend wanted to know if her father had been asked to sing during the ceremony. A dismayed expression swept across the child's face. "I shan't ask him," she said, "and I hope nobody else does. We'll all be badly enough frightened

Shoes

"WHITE HOUSE" shoes for Men

"WHITE HOUSE" shoes for Women

Have you seen them?

"You can get them cheaper at"

The "Bee Hive"

P. S. Some New Things in Ladies' Spring Jackets.

A. V. ALLEN

Headquarters for

Fruit Jars

Mason Jars, pints, per dozen60c

Mason Jars, quarts, per dozen70c

Mason Jars, half-gallons, per dozen95c

Jar Rubbers, per dozen.....5c and 10c

Jar Caps, per dozen30c

ALSO WIDE-MOUTH JARS AND JELLY GLASSES.

Kuroki's French Descent.

New York Tribune. Several French soldiers, survivors of the Chinese expedition of 1856, are responsible for the statement that General Kuroki, who is leading the Japanese forces in Manchuria, is in reality half French. His name, it says, is properly spelled Curique.

According to the story of these soldiers, a French officer, Captain Curique, while serving in China in 1856, married a Japanese girl. A son was born to them, who was given the Japanese name Kuroki, corresponding to the French Curique. This son is General Kuroki.

Captain Curique died last year in France. Until the last he corresponded with his son, who has since become famous.

Reflections of a Bachelor.

New York Press. A girl can nearly always improve her complexion by kissing a man against her will.

If a man acts as if he were deeply interested in a woman's wit she will take all the rest for granted. Because you can see through a woman's shirt waist is no sign you can see through her idea of wearing it that way.

Without half trying a widow can make a man believe little children will teach her more worldliness than she knows.

When you are going through a tunnel with a pretty girl it does seem a great waste of time to have the lights turned on for so short a time.

Liverpool Cathedral.

It is stated that when Liverpool cathedral is completed it will surpass all other English cathedrals in area, length and height. It is built on a mounted 150 feet above the river, and from the sea approach will produce a very striking effect.

EYE STRAIN



IS the most common cause of those nervous headaches that your doctor does not reach. Dizziness, darting pains in the eye-balls or temples, smarting or burning sensation, the eyes become red and lids inflamed, quivering of lids and jerking of muscles in and around the eyes.

Do you ever have dark spots floating before your eyes? Does the sun and wind hurt them? Do you have a sleepy feeling and desire to close the eyes when reading? Blurring of vision or lines and letters running together?

If you feel any of these distressing symptoms, have your eyes examined and see what comfort and relief you will find when properly fitted with glasses.

KATHERINE WADE, Graduate Optician.

AT THE OWL DRUG STORE.

MONDAY

August 29th, 9 p.m. at Foard & Stoke's Hall, I will give a free dance and 4 FREE tickets to the St. Louis World's Fair free to my customers only. A number with every Ten Dollar Purchase.

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