PROPOSE NEW RACES

Yacht Enthusiasts Arrange for German-American Tests.

WANT THIRTY-THREE FOOTERS

Negotiations Pending for International Yacht Rcaes—Emperor William Manifests Keen Interest, and Is Disposed to Favor Plan.

New York, Aug. 3.—Negotiations are pending, it is announced, for international yacht races between the United States and Germany. They have been informally undertaken by a coterie of American yachtsmen, principally Eastern racing men, and are being carried on with members of the Imperial Yacht club at Kiel. The German emperor is understood to have manifested a keen interest in the proposal and while he has not as yet indicated his entire approval of the plan, is disposed to favor it. If satisfactory conditions can be formulated, it is practically certain that the races will be arranged.

The idea is not contests for 90-footers, but to widen the interest by giving more opportunity to racing men to actively participate in the sport and to make the contests for boats that are of healthy type and not mere racing machines.

The racing length of the contestants is now a matter of negotiation. The Americans favor the 33-footers, which are popular among the German clubs, and the idea has generally met approval. The plan is to have three boats sail for each country and the race to be determined by the general excellence of the three. If this idea meets with the enthusiasm expected it is proposed not to arrange for one race, but to make the contest rather an annual or a biennial event to be alternately on this and the other side of the water.

ORGANIZE NEW RAILWAY.

Mississippi Valley and Gulf Road Will Be Constructed.

Chicago, Aug. 3.—Organization of the Mississippi Valley & Gulf railway was begun here yesterday, W. I. Allen being elected president; Theodore Rockefeller, vice president, and E. L. Gochanour, secretary-treasurer. According to Allen, the company is incorporated in Iowa and all the Western Mississippi valley states to the gulf, with a capitalization of $50,000,000.

It is planned, he said, to start the road from some point in Iowa on the Mississippi, and engineers already are engaged in surveying for a right of way. Mr. Allen was formerly assistant general manager of the Rock Island and is said to have built a portion of the Pere Marquette road.

BRYAN'S SON ILL.

Undergoes Critical Surgical Operation—Recovery Assured.

Chicago, Aug. 3.—William J. Bryan, Jr., is lying at the Presbyterian hospital, where he underwent a surgical operation yesterday for the removal of an abcess on his right knee, brought about by inflamation that began with a corn on his foot. Young Bryan was brought to the hospital yesterday from Winona Lake, Ind., on a fast train. He is a student at a military academy.

This afternoon physicians announced that his condition was not dangerous, but the prompt action in bringing him to Chicago for treatment prevented a serious turn.

The inflamation that resulted in the forming of the abcess was first noticeable two weeks ago. A corn on his right foot first became inflamed after it had been accidentally cut. The cut became infected and it was for this reason that blood poisoning was feared.

The young man, who is 16 years old, kept the facts of his condition from his parents and other relatives. Mr. Bryan is now touring in Ohio. After the reassuring report by the hospital physicians who say the boy will be able to return to his studies in a few days, word was sent last night to his father and his uncle, Charles W. Bryan, at Lincoln, Neb.

DENIES REPORT.

Washington, Aug. 3.—Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has issued a statement denying that employes of the forestry service have written articles for magazines prior to the publication of government work in public reports.

TODAY'S WEATHER.

Portland, Aug. 3.—Western Oregon, Friday, fair in the south; showers in the northern portion. Western Washington, showers. Eastern Oregon, partly cloudy and occasionally threatening.

DANZIGER RETURNS.

Washington, Aug. 3.—Dr. Danziger, formerly United States consul at Madrid, has arrived here to lay before the department of Commerce and Labor memoranda concerning the conditions of the Jews abroad, the information being gathered at the request of the department for the use in the Bureau of Immigration in dealing with that class of immigrants.

CLEVELAND LOSES RACE.

Cleveland, O., Aug. 3.—The World-News says: Owing to the action of Mayor Tom L. Johnson in making the holding of the grand circuit meeting impossible here, Cleveland loses the big intercity matinee race for the gold challenge cup. Chicago will probably secure the event. Lou Dillon and Major Delmar, the world's greatest trotters, will appear in connection with the matinee events.

MARKET IS SOUND

Iron Age Says Trade Is. in Satisfactory Conditiod.

DEMAND FOR BILLETS GOOD

Rush of Buying in Southern Field Is Over—In Leading Distribution Markets Iron Is Easier—Smaller Companies Willing to Sell Birmingham.

New York, Aug. 3.—The iron trade generally continues in a very sound and satisfactory condition, says the Iron Age. The rush of buying in the Southern field is over for the present and in the leading distributing markets Southern iron is slightly easier since some of the smaller companies are willing to sell on the basis of $11.50 for Birmingham. The larger interests who sold heavily lately are asking better prices. A lot of 9,000 tons of gray forge was sold for Pittsburg delivery at a rather low price.

Considerable further quantities of malleable Bessemer pig have been marked during the past week and in the Chicago territory the condition of furnaces is such that the supply is rather restricted. Demand for billets and sheet bars has continued good and prices are higher with some good business pending in Eastern Pennsylvania both for steel and for muck bars. The rail mills are full of work. Some large orders which have been pending have not yet been placed. For some small lots, September delivery, there is an indication of readiness to pay moderate premium.

The condition of the structural trade is well illustrated by the beginning of the constructional work on a mill for rolling structural shapes at the Clairton plant. This mill, which will have a capacity of 10,000 tons, is to be completed in the extraordinary time of 13 weeks.

The plate trade is looking forward to a heavy additional tonnage for the large lot of steel cars. Agricultural implement makers have entered into additional season contracts for steel bars. The stronger position of steel is having its reflex action upon sheets, in which concessions are not being made as freely as before.

The general demand for pipe shows little improvement, the oil country requirements are fair, and the buying of boiler tubes is good.

There are at hand the first indications of the approach of buying of wire products for the coming season, but the movement has not yet become pronounced.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Seattle, Aug. 3.—Seattle 7, Los Angeles 2.

Tacoma, Aug. 3.—Tacoma 0, San Francisco 4.

San Francisco, Aug. 3.—Oakland 5, Portland 4.

UNIQUE EXPEDITION

Magnetic Survey of North Pacific Ocean to Be Made.

WOODEN SHIP EQUIPPED

United States Coast and Geodetic Survey Will Undertake to Secure Precise Date of Distribution of Magnetic Forces Over Pacific Ocean.

San Francisco, Aug. 3.—A magnetic survey of the North Pacific ocean will be inaugurated within the next few days by the department of international research in terrestial magnetism of the Carnegie institution of Washington.

A wooden sailing vessel, the brig Galilee, has been fully equipped for the purpose of the expedition at this port, and it is expected that she will sail the latter part of the week on her first season's work.

The object of the expedition is to secure precise date of the distribution of the magnetic forces over the Pacific ocean. Except for data from occasional expeditions and such as were acquired in wooden vessels a long time ago the present magnetic charts used by the navigator over this region depend largely upon the observations on islands along the coasts. Such land observations, however, are rarely representative of the true valuations because of local disturbaances. It is, therefore, impossible to make any statement as to the correctness of the present charts.

The director of the work is Dr. L. A. Bauer, who is likewise in charge of the magnetic work of the United States coast and geodetic survey.

The scientific leader and commander of the Galilee will be J. F. Praff of the United States coast and geodetic survey, who has had 30 years' experience in astronomical, geodetic and magnetic work. The members of the scientific corps are Dr. H. Egbert, magnetic observer, surgeon and naturalist; J. P. Ault, magnetic observer, and V. W. Whitney, magnetic observer and watch officer.

REGATTA NOTES

ALL THE OFFICIAL NEWS

Watch This Space

Look Here and Keep Posted

Eleventh Annual Regatta, August 29-31

The $125 subscribed by Weinhard brewery will help some, you bet!!!

The soliciting committee will be around to see those who have not yet been seen, so don't get angry if you have been overlooked; better still, be a volunteer and call on the committee yourself.

Manager Erickson of the Grand and Star theatres in Portland has kindly consented to allow a slide advertisement of the regatta in both theatres and at all shows. This act of Manager Erickson entitles him to the patronage of Astorians when in Portland. Remember the Star and Grand, both on Washington street.

Concomley tribe, Improved Order of Redmen, of Astoria, has appointed a committee of five to arrange for the meeting of Lewis and Clark and Sacajawea at the Concomley wigwam, where a great pow-wow will be held. It is probable that the great Sachems of Oregon and Washington will call a council of war of their braves and thus illustrate that the Improved Order of Redmen is a patriotic as well as a benevolent order, always anxious to help the city or the nations. No sulking, no traitors in the Redmen's wigwam.

ONE FOR ALL,
ALL FOR ASTORIA!

The illuminated night parade on the river will add greatly to the entertainment of the assembled multitudes.

Thanks to the Carpenters' union and the Finnish Brotherhood for voluntary subscriptions.

Will there be a country fair? It depends on the sub-committee. There are lots of fine things raised on the lower Columbia including peaches, 16 years old and upwards.

Who is to be admiral? Ditto queen?

The committee would like to know: Is there a brass band in Astoria?

If you can't join the chorus, don't croak.

All persons having rooms or beds to rent during the regatta week, will please send the number of rooms and the price for each to the Secretary of the Regatta Company. Sign your name and address for use on the room register.

REGATTA NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Astoria Regatta Company will not be responsible for any bills contracted by any person or persons unless accompanied by a requisition signed by the president and secretary, which requisition must be returned with the bill. All claims contracted must be presented to the committee within ten days from the order and the bills and claims will be paid on demand. By order of committee.

FRED JOHNSON, Secretary. HERMAN WISE, Pres.