

THE ST. LOUIS FAIR MUST BE POSTPONED

Reason Why Announcement Has Been Delayed.

(Journal Special Service.)
 WASHINGTON, April 16.—The State Department has been informed that the government of Great Britain declines the invitation to make an exhibit at the Louisiana Purchase Exhibition next year. It is understood that this is on account of the short time necessary to make ready such an exhibit, and should the St. Louis fair be postponed until 1904 or 1905, Great Britain and other European governments, none of which have accepted the invitation, will be ready to prepare exhibits.

It has been known in Washington for several months that the fair would have to be postponed and the official announcement to that effect would have been made some time ago but for the backwardness of the subscribers to the fair fund of \$5,000,000 in remitting their assessments. The directors of the Fair Association have found it difficult to collect their subscriptions and prominent bankers of St. Louis have been induced to send the necessary certified check that enabled the Secretary of the Treasury to certify to Congress that the law has been complied with in this matter of public subscriptions.

It was feared that to make official announcement of postponement of the fair, it would again retard collections, and this announcement has been withheld so that the subscribers will pay up. The fair will be postponed because the buildings can not be constructed in time for the opening next spring and because it has been found impossible to induce foreign governments to agree to present exhibits next year. They want more time.

YOUTHFUL WAIF.

(Journal Special Service.)
 THE DALLES, April 16.—Arthur Jefferson, aged 13, has been turned over to the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society of Portland, and Superintendent Gardner will come after the youth tomorrow. The lad came to this city about a week ago on a freight train, and since that time has been confined in the county jail until information concerning his place of habitation could be acquired. The police of Spokane, from whence he claimed to have hailed, could throw no light on the subject, however, and the boy

still persists that he came from that city, where his mother died about two months ago. He says he has no living relatives, with the exception of two cousins, who reside in Iowa. He claims to have been a messenger boy in a real estate office in Spokane, and heard everybody talking about Portland being such a good town that he was heading that way.

FOR THE DOG SHOW.

(Journal Special Service.)
 THE DALLES, April 16.—Henry Zeigler of this city left for Portland this morning, taking with him seven dogs, which he will enter at the bench show to be held this week. The dogs are among the finest bred in the state and several of them have lifted prizes at former kennel shows. The dogs and their owners are as follows: Printer Boy, Printer's Jim, Walla Walla Queen, Queen of Wasco, W. C. Gibson, owner; Wasco Queen, Wasco Imp, Henry Zeigler, owner; Wasco Wizard, Sheriff Robert Kelly, owner.

REAL ESTATE.

The real estate market is taking on a degree of activity that has not been seen in Portland for years. A large number of sales are being made, suburban property being the preference.

L. Solomon, in reviewing the situation, said that sales were numerous. Rountree & Diamond report the market improving. There is a strong demand for residence property. A large number of inquiries are daily received from all over the East. The firm made a big deal in selling the northwest corner of Front and Ankeny streets to Closset & Devers. The sale includes the three-story building occupying the property. The sale comprises 75x100 feet, and was formerly owned by the Dekum estate.

According to W. A. Shaw & Co., the real estate market is in excellent condition. The firm has lately made a number of sales of large tracts of suburban property. Inquiries are received every day from parties in Iowa, Dakota and Minnesota, who want to come to Portland to locate. A great many calls are received for clear lands.

Henry Weinhard has let the contract for the erection of his new five-story brick building on the southeast corner of Alder and Fourth streets. The building will be constructed of pressed brick with terra cotta trimmings, and will be modern in every respect. It is estimated that the cost will be about \$45,000, and the structure will be completed by September. The Blumauer-Frank Drug Company will occupy most of the building.

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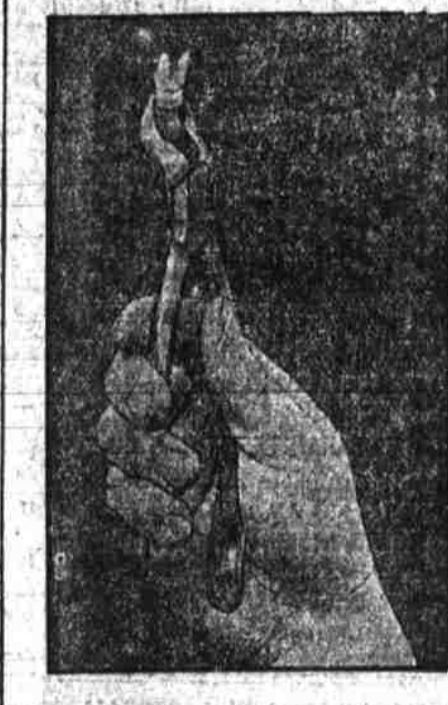


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AMBITIOUS SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Desires Annexation to Arizona and be a Capital.

(Journal Special Service.)
 SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 16.—A movement has been started here to have San Diego County taken from California and annexed to Arizona. It is urged that there is a more natural community of interests with Arizona than with Northern California, that Arizona would at once become a state with San Diego as its metropolitan and support, that new railroads would be built at this place, and that not only this city, but Escondido points would be benefited. San Diego County has an area of 800 square miles, a little more than that of the State of Massachusetts.

RACKS OPPOSED.

After a spirited discussion of the subject of bicycle racks on the streets of the city of Portland by the Lewis and Clark Civic Improvement Association and others, at the rooms of the Oregon Mining Exchange, Chamber of Commerce Building, last night, a motion to abolish the obstructions was passed.

Thomas McCusker, chairman of the investigation committee of the association, and G. M. Hyland spoke in behalf of the crusade, and R. G. Morrow, vice president of the Wheelmen's Association, and John Annand of the Postal Telegraph Company replied in favor of retaining the racks.

It was suggested by Mr. Morrow that a system of clamps be installed on the telephone poles as a substitute for the racks, but this idea did not meet with the approval of the association.

RAILROAD NOTES.

The Columbia & Northern Railway Company has advertised for ties to be delivered in August. It evidently means business, for it is having a survey made for its proposed line between Lyle and Goldendale.

The Santa Fe will inaugurate a novel plan next fall. It will put on the most magnificent cars ever constructed in its California train, and the rate of fare to be charged for passage thereon will be just double the usual amount. Only one train will be run each week between Chicago and Los Angeles. It will be known as the "Club train," and will accommodate only 50 passengers for each trip.

The rehabilitation of the city ticket office of the Northern Pacific is progressing as rapidly as possible. The plate glass for the windows on the Third and Morrison street sides is already here. Assistant

KILLED BY THOUSANDS

Stop to be Put to Slaughter of Alaskan Deer.

(Journal Special Service.)
 WASHINGTON, April 16.—When the Alaska code was enacted the laws were those of Oregon, including the game laws. This code was later repealed, and a new one enacted, but it contained nothing on the subject of game, and the result was that last season after the repeal of the Oregon code, the slaughter of the game, the subsistence of the Indians of Alaska, went on in an unparalleled fashion.

It appears that at some points in Alaska 6,000 and 8,000 and even 10,000 deer skins have been shipped from a single port. The Indians have been induced by the offer of 50 to 60 cents a skin to kill the deer merely for the hides, thus destroying their own future subsistence. This situation calls upon Congress for early relief. Legislation earlier in the session would not have been availing, because if the law were enacted it could not, on account of the late date, get to Alaska until about the latter part of May or probably the early part of June, in the Nome region, the uppermost part of Alaska; but it is important that this bill should go through in time to be the law of the land during the coming season.

The Indian gets from 50 to 60 cents for a deer skin, and with the characteristic improvidence of his race will kill a large number of deer whenever the opportunity occurs, take the skins and sell them, and leave the carcasses rotting on the ground. He is thereby destroying the food supply that in a few years he will need.

CONDUCTOR HURT

Conductor James Moran and a Japanese workman were badly injured this morning, three miles below Lower Albina, while engaged in loading gravel on flatcars. A donkey engine was being operated for the purpose of raising the gravel, and just as a huge shoveled was in the act of being dumped on a car the cable rope broke and came back with terrific force. One end of it struck the conductor on the face and about the body, and for a time it was thought that he had been fatally injured. He was conveyed to his home in Albina and given immediate medical attention. He is badly hurt, but the doctor believes that he will not have to be confined to his room longer than a month or two. The Japanese was also struck about the face and lost one of his ears. He is now in St. Vincent's Hospital.

THE BICYCLE TAX.

Sheriff Frazier has commenced the collection of bicycle taxes. Tax Collector Oviatt, speaking in the manner to be pursued in the collection of the taxes, said: "We will give the people all the opportunity necessary before putting men on the paths. No tags will be sold on the paths this year. After the tags have been on sale at the Sheriff's office for a reasonable length of time, we will put Deputy Sheriff's on the paths to seize all untagged wheels. The office may allow a month's grace, for payment, but no more."

Fine Music at Portland Club.
 The Portland Club, Fifth and Alder streets, has fitted up a fine cafe on the ground floor and provides its patrons with excellent music every evening. In the cafe has been placed one of the best Aeolian Orchestras ever brought to this Coast, a superb piano and a pianola. The orchestra is practically a solo orchestra conducted by one person, and the pianola enables the player to execute the finest music ever written.

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HOT CAMPAIGN.

Libel Suit Side Lights Enliven the Proceedings.

(Journal Special Service.)
 SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 16.—Dr. J. A. Wheeler, ex-Representative and leader of the Governor Yates crowd in Sangamon County, has filed a suit in the Circuit Court against George W. Hutton of Auburn for \$25,000 damages. An anonymous circular, claimed by Wheeler to be slanderous in its nature, is the basis for the suit.

The circular is an appeal to the citizens of Auburn to not vote for Dr. Wheeler. It comprises about 600 words, in which the character and conduct of Dr. Wheeler are vigorously assailed.

Wheeler and Hutton have waged a factional war for Republican control in the town of Auburn for four years. Wheeler is serving his third term as mayor and is a candidate on the People's ticket for re-election next Tuesday. Hutton is managing the campaign for Henry Dawson Jr., a young banker, who is a candidate for mayor in opposition to Wheeler.

CITY BRIEFS.

Colonel George French, commander of the Pacific Coast Division of the Salvation Army, is booked to pay Portland a visit Saturday, April 20. The commander will remain until Tuesday morning, when he will conduct the annual "Self Denial" services of the army.

Watson's restaurant, open nights to 1 P. M.

The Willamette Iron & Steel Works shipped a monster donkey engine yesterday to Alger's logging camp, on the Cowdman. It weighed 17 tons. Four similar engines have been ordered from the same firm by other logging camps.

It has been decided by the Retail Grocers' Association to hold a picnic the coming summer, and a committee was appointed for the purpose of looking after the matter. The association is making a great deal of progress in the matter of a co-operative market for Portland. A number of outside towns have responded liberally in subscriptions.

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Seamen's Institute Concert.

A concert will be given at the Seamen's Institute this evening. Following is the program: Piano solo, Miss Gibson; song, Miss Flora Kemp; recitation, Miss Maize Ruff; song, Mr. T. Ruddiman; violin solo, Mr. George Wuest; song, Mrs. Hamilton; selection on bagpipes, Professor Moore; Song, Master Harold Kemp; recitation, Mr. A. E. Jewell; piano solo, Miss Grace Kemp; song, Mr. James Shearer. All are welcome.

LOOK FOR THE CHECKS.

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