

ON TRIAL

New Torpedo Boat Takes Initial Run.

(Journal Special Service.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—The trial of the torpedo-boat destroyer Chauncey, which was built by Newell & Levy of Philadelphia, takes place off the Cape today and considerable interest is manifested at the Navy Department in the result of the test. The building of these tiny warships is now regarded as something out of a speculation, inasmuch as several of those turned out during the last year or two have proved dismal failures while others, constructed after the same design and apparently alike in every particular, have been fully up to expectations. Naval constructors who have followed the construction of the Chauncey express the opinion that it will come up to all requirements. The vessel is of 400 tons displacement and is designed to have a speed of 29 knots.

REGGIE TO WED

Young Vanderbilt's Choice Is Miss Neilson.

(Journal Special Service.) NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—Following the formal announcement of the engagement of Reginald Vanderbilt and Miss Kathleen Neilson, society is now speculating as to the time and place of the wedding of the popular young couple. The marriage will be a sumptuous affair and will probably take place in this city. An indication that the marriage will be celebrated before next summer is the work now being done upon Sandy Point farm in Portsmouth, recently purchased by Reginald Vanderbilt. An entirely new house is to replace the one now there, and large stables will be erected for horses and automobiles. Mr. Vanderbilt seems perfectly satisfied with the prospect of Reginald's approaching marriage, her desire to have the somewhat reckless young Vanderbilt settled in life outweighing the possible objection of her son marrying a woman of the Roman Catholic faith. Miss Neilson is a charming young woman of the healthful, out-of-door type. It is said that she is serious minded and very religious.

AFTER MANY YEARS

Son Seeks Revenge on His Father's Slayer.

(Journal Special Service.) MOUNT STERLING, Ky., Aug. 12.—Fifteen years ago the lifeless body of John Fitzpatrick of this city was brought home, the victim of an unknown foe. His 10-year-old son, Walter, vowed vengeance on the murderer. Suspicion pointed to "Sid" Tipton, now living in Lexington, but it was only suspicion. Monday Tipton walked into the blacksmith shop of Fitzpatrick, who was at the anvil. "Get out of here!" shouted Fitzpatrick. Tipton started to explain. Fitzpatrick dealt Tipton a blow on the head with a heavy hammer and then, drawing a pistol, fired, the bullet entering the right hip. Tipton was taken to Lexington for treatment, while Fitzpatrick was put in jail.

MURDER IN A CHURCH

One Man Shoots Another on Account of an Old Grudge.

(Journal Special Service.) CATLETTSBURG, Ky., Aug. 12.—While services were in progress yesterday at the Oakland Church, three miles back of this city, the congregation was thrown into a uproar by the firing of a revolver near the center of the church. Sylvester Copley placed a pistol against the breast of John White and shot him through the heart. White died in four minutes. Copley escaped to the woods. An old grudge is said to have been the cause of the murder.

INFANT'S BODY USED FOR BAIT

(Journal Special Service.) DES MOINES, Ia., Aug. 12.—Officers in searching the Cedar River yesterday were horrified to discover the body of an infant used as bait on a trot line near Cedar Rapids. They are making a vigorous endeavor to find the owner of the line, but thus far have failed.

Reduced Rates to Newport.

Commencing June 15 the Southern Pacific Company will sell round trip tickets, Portland to Newport and return, good via either East or West Side divisions, in connection with the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad. Three-day Sunday excursion tickets, good going Saturday, returning Monday, \$4.50. Season tickets, good returning until October 15, \$5. Baggage checked through to Newport.

For further information call at City Ticket Office, corner Third and Washington streets, Portland Or.

WHITE COLLAR LINE BOATS.

Astoria, daily 7 a. m. except Sunday. The Dalles, daily 7 a. m., except Sunday. Astor street dock. Both phones, Main 211.

VETERANS OF ISLAND WARS

Are in Convention Today at Council Bluffs in Old Iowa.

(Journal Special Service.) COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., Aug. 12.—Men of military bearing are much in evidence here today and the familiar uniform denoting service under the Stars and Stripes is to be seen at every turn. The visitors from the advance guard of the throng that will be here tomorrow when the National Society, Army of the Philippines, begins its third annual reunion. The attendance promises to surpass expectations, those already here numbering several hundred and representing many sections of the country. Participating in the program, which will extend over a

RAT POISON

Closed the Career of a \$20,000 Horse.

(Journal Special Service.) CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 12.—John J. Nolan the famous trotting horse, owned by J. B. Kent, died at the Deanbrook stock farm. In some way he got hold of some rat poison and, though every effort was made to save the horse, it died. Nolan was valued at \$20,000.

A GHASTLY FIND.

(Journal Special Service.) NEW ORLEANS, La., Aug. 12.—When the express messenger of the Wells-Fargo

MRS. HOPPER IN DIVORCE



Mrs. J. D. Bergen

The wife of De Wolfe Hopper, the famous comedian, figures as co-respondent in the divorce suit which Mrs. James D. Bergen is bringing against her thrice-married husband. Mrs. Hopper, before she married the comedian was Bergen's second wife and secured a divorce from him on statutory grounds. Now Mrs. Bergen number three accuses her husband of manifesting undue fondness towards the present Mrs. Hopper. Strange to say Comedian De Wolfe does not seem to appreciate the comedy side of the situation.

period of three days, will be many of the heroes of the late war and many other distinguished military men, orators and statesmen. Generals King, MacArthur and Hale are among those already here or who are expected to put in an appearance before the formal opening of the gathering tomorrow.

A DOUBLE LIFE

Peculiar Story of a Well Known Vermonter.

(Journal Special Service.) CHESTER, Vt., Aug. 12.—A Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde in real life has been revealed by a spring gun, set one night recently for robbers. Clarence A. Adams, a prosperous and hitherto respected farmer, now appears in the dual role, his double existence disclosed by a charge of No. 8 buckshot, which struck him in the legs. Adams is now accused of scores of burglaries and admits them.

In explaining he says the story of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde fascinated him. "I never robbed because I needed the money, but simply because robbing and afterward listening to the comments of the people amused me. I was never amused by the recreations that pleased most men. I always sought pleasure in some unusual way and robbing for the fun of it was unusual."

BULLET IN BRAIN

Don't Seem to Incommode a Fargo N. D., Boy.

(Journal Special Service.) FARGO, N. D., Aug. 12.—With a bullet inside his skull, Allie Cleveland is again on the streets of Fargo after suffering an accident that was thought sure to prove fatal. The external wound has healed and Cleveland seems little the worse for his peculiar accident. There is some fear of future trouble.

Subscriptions received for The Journal at any of E. B. Rich's cigar stores.

Express Company was delivering the packages which came in on the Southern Pacific a box was found marked Lafayette, Louisiana, which was not on the list.

Becoming suspicious of the box he opened it and found it to contain a hand, an arm, part of a leg and several toes, evidently severed from a human body. There is no evidence to show where box was placed on the train.

TRI-STATE TENNIS.

(Journal Special Service.) ETOUX CITY, Ia., Aug. 12.—The annual tri-state tennis tournament which opened here today is notable for the high standing as well as the number of the contestants. The tournament, which will continue through the greater part of the week, is to determine the championship of Nebraska, South Dakota and Iowa.

SALOON MEN OF INDIANA

Want to Attain a Higher Social and Political Standing.

(Journal Special Service.) LOGANSPORT, Ind., Aug. 12.—A well-attended convention of the Knights of Fidelity began in this city today. It is the second annual meeting of the state organization which was formerly known as the Knights of the Royal Arch, the membership being composed of saloonkeepers and other liquor dealers who believe in organization to attain a higher social and political standing.

TENNESSEE EDITORS.

(Journal Special Service.) NASHVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 12.—Members of the Tennessee Press Association, with their wives and families, gathered in Nashville today for their annual business meeting, which was held this forenoon in the rooms of the Retail Merchants' Association. Only routine business was transacted and the session was cut short to permit the editor to make final preparations for their annual outing. Two trips have been planned, one to the Far West, including visits to Denver, Salt Lake City and other points, and the second to Monterey, Tenn. Both parties will depart tonight.

Several Kruger sovereigns, the last issued by the Ex-President of the Transvaal and struck in his train near Machadodrop in 1900, are now on view in Lausanne.

IRRIGATION OF OREGON'S ARID LANDS WILL NOW RECEIVE ATTENTION

F. H. Newell, Chief Engineer of the United States reclamation service, arrived in the city Sunday and departed last evening for Puget Sound, en route to Helena, Butte, Fargo, St. Paul and other western centers before returning to Washington. Mr. Newell's business in the west is to plant the seed that will eventually germinate into the reclamation of the arid regions of the several Western States, and fortunately for the service he is an enthusiast in his work.

SOCIALISTIC PLAN.

The new irrigation law was passed June 17, and is believed to be one of the very wise enactments of the last Congressional session. It inaugurates a movement that will doubtless prove of vast benefit not only to the communities served, but generally to both the state and nation, yet in the end no cost attaches to the central Government at Washington. In fact, the idea might well be claimed as socialistic, because the Government is its parent and director, without deriving financial gain from the transaction.

WATER COMMON PROPERTY.

"My mission at this time," Mr. Newell said last evening, "is to take a general survey of the country, consult with the people and ascertain from them, so far as I can, their desires. The new law is one of the most carefully written of any of the recent enactments, and to achieve the best results must be delicately handled. In a nutshell, it treats the unappropriated waters of the country as the common property of the people, and they must not become the asset of any single individual. No man can buy them at any price. They are an heritage from the benefactor to be used only for the healthy anointing of his soil or the propulsion of industry's wheels."

HOW A START WILL BE MADE.

"To inaugurate a system of irrigation in any locality we must ascertain: Can water be obtained; is there arid land in sufficient quantity in the vicinity to make its reclamation an object; what will be the cost."

"If all these conditions are satisfactory the Government advances the money to do all things necessary to house the water and distribute it where it is needed. The cost of such control of the supply and its distribution will, of course, vary. One location, for example, may cost but \$5 per acre; another \$10, another \$12, and in difficult locations even up to \$20 or \$25. Say that the first cost to the Government is \$12 per acre. That sum is charged up to the irrigated land, and the owner of the soil may repay the Government in ten annual payments. With the surety of a crop each season, this may be undertaken with absolute confidence, and will not prove a burden to the beneficiary of the law."

MUST PAY.

"The water for irrigation is not sold to any individual. It is sold to the land only, and the charge becomes a lien upon the property. In default of payment for two years the rights are forfeited, and the benefited land will be sold for its liquidation. In case of homesteads, to which Government title has not been acquired, the land reverts back to the Government in case of default."

and subject to entry as if not previously filed upon. And, another thing; no person can acquire a right to a greater quantity of water than is necessary to irrigate the land actually cultivated by him. For example, if a person owning 100 acres of land should acquire water rights for that acreage, and then cultivate but 80 acres, all his rights would be cancelled. No trickery, chicanery or false representations will be tolerated by the Government, its one purpose being to husband the water resources of the arid regions, and employ such water to the best advantage in making valuable soil that is at present without value.

NO WRANGLING.

"In cases where streams are already appropriated there will be no wrangling with the claimants, so far as the Government is concerned. We will simply leave them alone until they have settled their differences among themselves, and then, if possible, the United States will take up the work and proceed along its own lines. Where the value of manufacturing concerns are impaired by reason of destruction of water powers, the loss entailed will be made good. The Government is not engaging in disputations, but intends to put this beneficial law into active service with as little friction as possible."

AN ABLE ASSISTANT.

"Charles H. Fitch, engineer in charge of diversion service, will remain in Portland for some time. He will visit different sections of Oregon, look over the field, obtain all information possible, report his findings to the Secretary of the Interior, and await instructions. I traveled through the arid region last fall with Congressman Moody. I have the Deschutes River, in Wasco County, in mind, and streams in Crook, Malheur, Harney, Wallowa, Grant, Lake and Union Counties in view. Our work, however, will necessarily be slow, as we must proceed with caution. Government lands are sold to create a fund, and this fund expended in irrigation is afterward returned to the national treasury, and those in charge of it must be solicitous for its perpetuation. Homesteads taken in the arid region will be without the commutation clause in the filing. Actual residence will be required."

SMALL FARMS.

"The result of this irrigation scheme will be that small farms will replace the large ones. A man who lives on a farm of 150 acres within a year or two will make it 80. Then he will drop to 50 or 30, and will find he has all he can do at that. Ten-acre fruit farms will supplant 60-acre ideas and ambitions, and then the rose will bloom where the sagebrush grows."

There is nearly \$6,000,000 in the fund already for reclamation purposes.

Today Mr. Newell will drop off at North Yakima for a stop of a day or two. Mr. Fitch, like his superior, is an enthusiast. He will be active in the line of duty, and his intelligent work is likely to be better understood as time elapses.

Mr. Newell came west to Colorado in 1888 as a mining engineer, and the water question has been uppermost in his mind for a long time.

B. P. O. E.



To The Most Popular Elk IN OREGON OR WASHINGTON WHO WILL WIN?

The Order of Elks is notably a progressive one. The Portland Lodge of Elks is especially so. For every enterprise of public interest they can always be counted on to carry out their part to a successful issue. A few years ago the order here planned and carried out with great eclat a society circus. In 1900 the Portland Lodge gave Portland its first street carnival, and now the lodge is pushing on another venture of the same kind. Benevolent Protective Order of Elks is what these antlered monarchs call themselves, but which they abbreviate, after the American fashion, to B. P. O. E. Some wag once declared that these letters stand for "Best People on Earth." This isn't very far from the truth, either.

The Oregon Daily Journal believes that so progressive and popular an organization as the Elks must necessarily be made up of popular men. To settle the question as to which is the most popular member, The Journal will leave the public to decide. It has purchased a beautiful loving cup of silver which will be awarded to the Elk receiving the highest number of votes. Coupons for votes will be printed in The Journal. Fill them out and return them to this office. The contest will close September 13th. Now is the time to work for your friends.

The Most Popular Elk in Oregon or Washington is

Voter's Name.....
This Coupon not good after Aug. 16th. Contest closes Sept. 13th

- FIRST—Votes may be cast on coupons cut from The Oregon Daily Journal.
- SECOND—To be eligible the Elk voted for must be a member in good standing.
- THIRD—The Elk receiving the greatest number of votes will receive The Journal's beautiful Loving Cup, valued at \$125.00.
- FOURTH—Address all coupons to the Contest Editor, care of The Oregon Daily Journal. Contest closes September 13th.
- FIFTH—Voters may avoid cutting out coupons by prepaying subscriptions and receiving credit in the ballot as follows:

SUBSCRIPTIONS IN ADVANCE

One Month.....	60 Coupons
Three Months.....	180 Coupons
Six Months.....	360 Coupons
Twelve Months.....	720 Coupons

Remittances from the city or country by mail should be accompanied by letter or remittance coupon stating to which candidate votes are to be credited.

The Oregon Daily Journal Remittance Coupon.

The Oregon Daily Journal, Portland, Oregon:
Enclosed find \$..... for The Oregon Daily Journal to be sent to
Name.....
Address.....
Please cast..... votes for
Name of contestant.....

Votes will only be credited on paid-in-advance subscriptions or on coupons cut from The Oregon Daily Journal.

This beautiful Journal's Loving Cup, now on exhibition in the windows of Feldenheimer's Jewelry Store, Cor. Third and Washington Streets.

The counting of the ballots at the end of the contest will be conducted by a committee of Elks, to be named by five of the leading contestants for the cup.

SPECIAL TRAIN SERVICE

And Cheap Excursion Rates via A. & C. R. R. Make a Hit With the Public.

The excellent train service and cheap round-trip excursion rates via the A. & C. Railroad between Portland and the beaches have made a decided hit with the public. Portland-Seattle Express leaves Union depot every Saturday at 2:30 p. m. for Astoria, Flavel, Gearhart and Seaside. Round-trip excursion tickets between Portland and Clatsop and North Beach points sold every Saturday at \$2.50, interchangeable with all boat lines and good to return Sunday evening. Warm salt water baths at Seaside now open to the public. Write to J. C. Mayo, General Passenger Agent, Astoria, for handsome illustrated pamphlet "What the Wild Waves Say at Seaside."

SNAKE IN BED

A Shocking Discovery Made by a Woman at Carbondale.

CARBONDALE, Ill., Aug. 12.—A snake crawled into the bed occupied by Mrs. and Mrs. N. J. Keefe at their home in Murphysboro.

Mrs. Keefe awoke, and feeling something cold near her feet moved one of them towards the foot of the bed. Just then she thought she struck a pin with her toe, and her screams of pain aroused her husband. When a light was brought a copperhead snake was found crawling over the bed cover.

QUARREL AT VATICAN.



Prince Joseph Rospigliosi Determined to Obtain Satisfaction for Cardinal Macchi's Official Affront to His American Wife.

Vatican circles are greatly disturbed over the controversy between Prince Joseph Rospigliosi and Cardinal Macchi arising over the latter's decree forbidding an English nurse to attend Princess Rospigliosi during the princess' expected motherhood. The princess is an American, and was married to the prince by civil ceremony, the Catholic Church refusing to recognize the marriage. The prince is determined to secure satisfaction for the slight.

INDIANA HORTICULTURISTS.

(Journal Special Service.) FRANKLIN, Ind., Aug. 12.—The mid-summer meeting of the Indiana Horticultural Society began here today with a good attendance. This morning the visitors were welcomed by Mayor Nixon, there was a response by President W. W. Stevens and an interesting address on the subject of 17-year locusts by Professor

James Troop of Purdue University. The possibilities of Indiana for growing apples, pears and other fruits on a commercial scale were exhaustively discussed this afternoon.

The society will continue and conclude its sessions tomorrow.

The rotation of a waterspout at the surface of the sea has been estimated as 3 1/2 miles an hour, or nearly six miles a minute.