

STATE GRANGE
AT CORVALLIS

TODAY'S SESSION TAKEN UP BY
READING AND DISCUSSION OF RE-
PORTS—CLACKAMAS IN THE RE-
BEKAH LODGE ELUDES OFFICERS.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Corvallis, Ore., May 23.—The second
day's session of the Oregon state grange
was called to order this morning at 10
o'clock by Master B. F. Leedy. One
officer was absent. Fifty-five out of the
57 delegates were present. Several re-
ports were presented and disposed of.

The report of Worthley Lecturer Austin
Buxton was of considerable importance.
Secretary Mary Howard of Clackamas
made a verbal report. First Master Hil-
lery's report on the legislative commit-
tee after a lengthy discussion was
adopted as read.

A lengthy discussion on "Dormant
Granges" then followed, after which the
meeting adjourned for chapel exercises.
Clackamas has the banner county
membership. It has 19 granges and
about 1,500 members. The report of
Worthy Lecturer Buxton shows this
comparison: Four years ago there were
39 voting members, now there are 15.
Four years ago there were 61 granges
in good standing, now there are 37. The
secretary's postage for the past year
amounted to \$10. The session adjourned
at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The grangers
are highly pleased with the welcome ac-
corded them by the citizens of Corvallis.

The Rebekah lodge elected officers
Monday night, and listened to the re-
port of their delegates who attended the
grand assembly of their order in Astoria
last week. The new officers are: No-
ble grand, Mrs. Ella Mundy; vice-
grand, Clara Dixon; secretary, Lillian
Hanney; treasurer, Mrs. Emily Allen.

There is to be a lecture at the col-
lege armory on the evening of May 28.
The speakers are General Joubert and
Captain O'Donnell of the late Boer war.
The affair is to be under the auspices of
the college Y. W. and Y. M. C. A. It is
expected that many Corvallis people will
go on Sunday's trip.

Friday evening, June 3, is the date set
for a musical and literary entertainment
to be given by the Village Improvement
society. The affair will be given in the
college chapel, and there will be a small
admission fee, the proceeds to go to the
society.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Barges of Ash-
land left for their home today after a
visit with friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Walden of Oregon City
visited Corvallis friends this week.

Mrs. Richard Franklin leaves this
week for her home in Astoria.

Some time next week Mrs. Denman
and Miss Anna Denman leave for St.
Louis en route for a year's visit at
their old home in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mr. M. Brunk and Miss Denman
returned Saturday from Astoria.

The family of Nelson Thompson ar-
rived today from Kansas. Mr. Thomp-
son came about two weeks ago and the
family will make their home here.

COLD WEATHER
STOPS JUNE FLOOD

Cold weather in the vicinity of the
headwaters of the Snake and Columbia
rivers has had a retarding effect on the
annual flood, which was expected to
reach this city early in June. The rivers
are rising, and have reached a consider-
able height, but will not rise as rapidly
as was expected, as the cold weather
has stopped the melting of the snows in
the mountains. However, a stage of
13.7 feet was registered at Portland this
morning, and 2.5 feet of water is pre-
dicted for Sunday.

OLDEST BAPTIST PASTOR.

(Journal Special Service.)
Boston, Mass., May 23.—The Rev. Wil-
liam Howe, D. D., who lays claim to be-
ing the oldest Baptist pastor in the
United States, quietly celebrated his
ninety-eighth birthday at his home in
Cambridge. Dr. Howe was graduated
from the Newton Theological seminary
in the early 30s and devoted a full half
century to missionary and charitable
work, attaining the reputation of a
time being Boston's greatest mission-
ary preacher. Notwithstanding his age
and infirmities he continues to take an
interest in church work. Until a few
years ago he made annual trips to At-
lanta, Ga., for the purpose of visiting
the Spelman seminary for colored girls,
in the welfare of whom he has always
been deeply interested.

ANOTHER BOXER UPRISING.

(Journal Special Service.)
Harbin, May 23.—Missionaries here re-
port that a movement among the Chinese
in northern Manchuria province has
taken place resembling that which pre-
ceded the Boxer uprising.

HIGHER PRICES FOR CHERRIES.

(Journal Special Service.)
New York, May 23.—The first carload of
California cherries received this season
sold at auction, brought an average of 50
cents above the first shipment of cherries
last year.

NOT AN
EQUAL

Can be found in the city
of the Suits that are
turned from this house.
We employ the highest
paid skilled tailors to be
had. The best of mate-
rials, lining, trimmings,
etc., are used, while the
cutting and fitting I
superintend myself. See
my line of Summer Suits.

WM. VELTEN
TAILOR
406 WASHINGTON ST.

AS NEW YORKERS
SEE THE FIGHTERS

"MANHATTAN" SAYS O'BRIEN AND
MO'YAY HAVE NO CALL OF MIGHT-
NEATWEIGHT MONKIES—MEM-
BER IS LOOKED UPON AS A COM-
ING CHAMP.

(Journal Special Service.)
New York, May 23.—The recent bout
between Kid McCoy and Philadelphia
Jack O'Brien may have been on the
level, says Manhattan. If it was neither
of them have any business with the
"fory" fighters look like plugged nickels
if they were doing their best.

Jimmy Britt and Young Corbett are
tentatively matched to fight some time
between this and the end of the year.
The cheerful manner in which the Cal-
ifornia youngster entered another agree-
ment pretty plainly indicates that he
does not regard the decision which took
the championship from the Denver lad
as a failure. Britt is wise in postponing
the fight to a time which will permit
his arm to heal fully. A fighter with a
"dinky" arm has no call to put up his
hands with Mr. Rothwell.

Another match of the little fellows,
which may soon be made, will put Terry
McGovern and Eddie Hanlon in the ring
together. Both seem willing and they
should put up a great fight, with the
odds somewhat in favor of Terry.

May 23 a Champion.

There is a new champion on the rim
of the pugilistic arena.

The new star is Sam Berger, cham-
pion amateur heavyweight of the Pa-
cific coast. He is but 20 years of age.
He is six feet two inches in height. He
weighs in condition 200 pounds, and has
thrashed every amateur on the coast
has produced in the last two years.

He has also outboxed several profes-
sional heavyweights—informally—and
has had the advantage of sparring bouts
—days of them—with Jim Corbett, Bob
Fitzsimmons, Gardner, Jim Jodries and
all the big fellows who have trained
from time to time in San Francisco.

When he gets ready to go after it, men
who have seen him fight, declare that
he will come close to getting it.

Gus Besenach, the Cincinnati bantam-
weight, may soon be in the ring with
Frankie Neil. Gus is never so happy as
when he is in action, and is one of the
most willing lads in his class. More to
his credit is the fact that he won nine
out of every ten of his long string of
victories away from home. He is now
matched to box "Kid" Wilson of Wal-
nut hills before the Suburban Athletic
club.

Frankie Neil, the bantamweight cham-
pion, has received an offer from the
National Sporting club to meet Jim
Bowler, the English bantamweight
champion, on Derby night. Neil says
that he has accepted the club's terms
and the match is on.

MINING CONGRESS
GETS STRONG AID

Letters by the score are being re-
ceived every day by Col. Irwin Mahon,
secretary of the American Mining con-
gress, from prominent mining men
throughout the United States and Can-
ada. He has already received word
from enough well-known men to assure
him that the convention of the congress
to be held here next August, will be one
of the most successful in the history
of the organization.

"Each year the importance and value
of the work of this congress is being
realized by the public men of this coun-
try, as well as those interested in min-
ing," said Mr. Mahon this morning, as
he finished glancing through his mail.
"I have just received letters from three
members of the Canadian cabinet, three
governors of American states, four min-
isters of foreign countries to the United
States, besides many other dignitaries,
all of whom promise to do all in their
power to help the coming convention
of the congress. Several of them state
that they will be here to attend the
session."

"During the past few weeks I have
received and answered some 5,000 letters
from people making inquiries regarding
the Portland convention, and this is
only a beginning. The government of
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have written me, stating that they
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try, which I am preparing for the
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NICOMEDIA WILL
GO OUT LIGHT

WAR IN THE ORIENT HAS DEFEAT-
ING EFFECT ON ASIATIC SHIP-
MENTS—BIG STEAMERS WILL
CARRY LESS THAN 1,500 TONS—
PORTS OUT OFF.

On Saturday the Nicomedia will sail
for the far east with the smallest cargo
ever carried to the orient from this port
during the past three years. It will
comprise less than 1,500 tons, and will
be a single cargo of light heavyweights.
Ever taken from here since the estab-
lishment of the Portland-Asiatic line.
The cause is the war between Japan
and Russia.

For small cargoes are con-
sidered, the Indravelli holds the record.
In July, 1901, she sailed from here for
China and Japan with only 1,100 tons
of freight. But that was the smallest
shipment by several hundred tons that
ever left Portland before or since for
the far east. The nearest approach to
it will be the cargo carried out by the
Nicomedia on this trip. The situation
here was similar to the present
one. No freight was being offered, but
there was soon a change for the better.
The shipments going out on the next
steamer were considerably larger, and
they continued to increase gradually
until the steamer was going out loaded
to their full capacity.

The cause of the present depression
is attributed to the war in the orient.
Therefore much of the freight going
to the orient went to Vladivostok, Port
Arthur and Dairen. Each of them is
now out of the markets of the world,
and the result is keenly felt by all
the commercial centers which rely
on the shipping of goods to those
ports.

Until there is a very
marked change in the war situation and
the stage is raised at those places ship-
pers do not expect to get an opportunity
to send much freight to the orient.

With reference to this
line of business, the same condition of
affairs obtains at the Puget sound ports
and San Francisco—all of the big lin-
ers are going out empty.

Of the shipment being made on the
Nicomedia, 500 tons will be flour, and
the remainder of the cargo will consist
of lumber, cigarettes and machinery.

The flour goes to Kobe, and the other
freight is to be distributed about evenly
between Yokohama, Moji and Hong-
kong.

The Nicomedia moved over to the Aln-
ward dock yesterday afternoon and
longshoremen will begin discharging her
cargo this evening. The vessel will
then be loaded for the outward trip,
and as such a small shipment is being
made it is said that she will be ready
in ample time to sail Saturday morning.

QUITS GOOD RIVER RAFFLE.
Steamer Spencer Leaves Taffit to
Steamship District.

Passenger rates on the steamer
Spencer were reduced this morning from
\$1.25 to \$1 to Hood River, but as she is
not likely to make the round trip that
far again very soon on account of the
cascades locks being closed, the regu-
lator of the river says that the rates
they will not meet the cut. It is be-
lieved that the high water will make it
necessary to close the locks by Friday.

After that time the Spencer will be
operated as a round trip, but the
Regulator company will continue to
handle the through traffic to The Dalles.

One of its boats, the Metlak, is now at
The Dalles, and will look after the up-
per river business, while the Regulator
and Dalles City will take care of the
trade at this end of the line. They will
meet the Metlak at the locks where the
passengers and freight will be trans-
ferred.

The steamer Regulator failed
in an attempt yesterday to get up
stream very far against the rapids.
After "bucking" the strong current for
about six hours she returned to Bonna-
ville and tied up for the night.

Another vessel which the owner be-
lieves is destined to play an important
part in the handling of the commerce of
the upper Columbia this summer is the
Sadie B. She has just undergone an
extensive overhauling, and the work has
hardly been completed yet. But George
W. Simons, the owner, is anxious to get
her above the locks before they are
closed, and he sent her out this morn-
ing for The Dalles, where the finishing
touches to the craft will be made. There
is still some carpenter and painting
work to be done, and a number of me-
chanics took passage on her.

The Sadie B. will be operated in con-
nection with the Regulator steamers,
and the greater part of her time will
be occupied in plying between The
Dalles and Lyle, and between Lyle and
the Columbia River. A Northern
railroad. She went out in command of
Captain Charles Alden, and her owner
says he is of the opinion that she will
prove one of the speediest boats on the
river. A trial trip was made yesterday
as far as the drydock, and Mr. Simons
says she reeled off 16 miles an hour
under about half a head of steam.

SAND RANGE CAPTIVES.
High Wind Overturns Snow-Heavy Fog
Kings Over River This Morning.

A large party loaded with sand,
and lying on the east side of the river
near the sand bridge, were blown over-
board last night during the wind storm.
The large formerly belonged to the
government, but it is now owned by
private parties. Further than its turn-
ing turtle, there was no damage done.
The wind blew at a high velocity late
yesterday afternoon and evening, and
the vessels in port were rocked by the
waves. But so far as learned, there
was no other mishap aside from the
barge capsizing.

Steamboat men report that one of the
heaviest fogs of the year overhung the
river this morning at about 5 o'clock.
They said the cloud was dense that it
was impossible for one to distinguish
an object 10 feet distant. Had any of
the steamers attempted to go out on
their runs at that time, it is said, sev-
eral collisions would have certainly re-
sulted. It was not until about 10 o'clock
before the fog lifted. The occurrence
was regarded as rather singular for
this time of the year, so far away from
the sea.

ADVERTISE FOR AIDS.
Government Wants a Purchase for
Steamer General H. G. Wright.

Major W. C. Langitt, of the corps of
United States engineers, is now adver-
tising for proposals for the purchase of
the steamer General H. G. Wright, a
vessel formerly used by government sur-
veyors, and which it has been decided to
sell at public auction to the highest bid-
der, providing the offers submitted are
acceptable. Sealed bids will be received
at the custom house until June 15, when
they will be opened. The vessel is
being kept at the government dockings on
the Willamette river, opposite St. Johns.
She was built at San Francisco in 1879,
and two years later was purchased by
the government. The General H. G.

Wright is 65 feet in length, 18 feet
across the beam, and has a depth of
hold of 7 feet 6 inches.

MARINE NOTES.
Astoria, May 23.—Arrived at 8:30 and
left at 9:45 a. m.—Steamer George
W. Elder, from San Francisco.

Sailed at 8 a. m.—British bark Inver-
may, for Molokai, Peru.

San Francisco May 23.—Arrived last
night—Steamer Australia, from Portland.
Arrived at 9 a. m.—Steamer Columbia,
from Portland.

Sailed—Schooner Sequoia, for Port-
land.

Astoria, May 24.—Arrived down at
8:15 p. m.—British bark Invermay.

Sailed, afternoon—Steamer Robert
Dollar, from San Francisco for Seattle.

Astoria, May 25.—Condition of the
harbor at 8 a. m., smooth; light southeast
wind; weather clear.

San Pedro, May 25.—Arrived this
morning, the steamer Grace Dollar from
Portland.

ALONG THE WATERFRONT.
Local Inspectors Edwards and Fuller
are at Tillamook today inspecting the
steamers Anneline and Marj.

Word has been received by the local
agents that the steamer schooner Aurora
will sail from San Francisco for Port-
land on Saturday. It is presumed that
the difficulty that the captain experi-
enced with the longshoremen and grain-
handlers has been satisfactorily ad-
justed, as he stated before leaving here
that he would not return until he had
secured a full understanding with them.

Laden with lumber the barkentine
John Smith left for the mouth of the
river this morning in tow of the Ock-
lahoma. Her destination is San Pedro.

COLUMBIAN SAILS.
After lying in port for almost a week,
the lightship tender Columbian left
this morning for the city by the sea.
Major W. C. Langitt, of the corps of
United States engineers was a passen-
ger. It is given out officially that he is
merely going down the river on a pleas-
ure trip. The Columbian recently came
off the drydock at St. Johns.

JETTY BOOK ACCEPTED.
The first barge of rock from the
quarry at Flavel's landing to be used
in the jetty improvements will be at
the mouth of the river was accepted by
the government representatives this
morning. In the outfit were about
1,500 tons of stone of all sizes called
for in the specifications.

VESSELS OVERDUE.
Reinsurance on the overdue steamer
Consensus jumped 20 points yesterday
to 40 per cent. The vessel is now out
75 days from Corvallis for New York.
The British bark Lurline, 65 days out
from Port Stanley for Callao, has been
listed as overdue, with reinsurance at
10 per cent.

REMARKABLE CASE
OF MIND READING
NON-UNIONISTS FAIL
TO BREAK STRIKE

One of the most remarkable cases of
mind-reading and palmistry ever pulled
off in this city occurred in the main of-
fice of the Hotel Perkins this morning.
George I. Thompson, chief clerk of the
hotel, was the victim of the mind-
reading stunt, and "John Fenton," a
guest who had just arrived from Cali-
fornia, was the operator.

"An unusual interest in the occult,"
queried the corquent Mr. Fenton, scruti-
nizing Clerk Thompson with a piercing
look.

"Not especially," admitted Thompson,
speculating as to why this new guest
had turned loose on him—and especially
in this fashion.

"Well, you'd make an excellent sub-
ject," continued "Fenton." "Let me look
you squarely in the face; and then let
me see your hand. Young man, I can
tell you your life's history."

And, while the natives who had as-
sembled looked on, Fenton told Thomp-
son his age, his birthplace, his father's
name, the number of children of the
other members of his father's family.
By this time, as they say at the ringside,
"Thompson was going."

Then "Fenton" could stand the joke
no longer. He scratched out the guest
of "Fenton" and wrote "Dr. John Mor-
risey and wife, Brooklyn, N. Y." at
which Thompson hardly knew what he
would say.

D. Morrissey had been the physician
in the Thompson family for many
years; and although he had not seen
Mr. Thompson since the latter was a
boy—in fact, had lost all trace of his
whereabouts—he recognized the clerk
of the minute he crossed the threshold
of the hotel this morning.

Dr. Morrissey is a practical joker of
long experience, but says today's seance
was the most successful trick he ever
performed in jest or in earnest.

The doctor retired from practice many
years ago. He and his wife spent the
past winter in Florida and California,
and are now enroute to Alaska. They
will remain in Portland long enough to
see all the places of interest.

DIVES TO DEATH
IN SWIMMING POOL

ROBERT A. EDWARDS IS FOUND AT
BOTTOM OF Y. M. C. A. TANK RE-
CENTLY BREWED AND REWOUND
ALL HUMAN AID—DEATH COMES
SOON AFTER.

Robert A. Edwards, employed as a
bar in Rollman's restaurant, 501 1/2
First street, died yesterday afternoon in
the Y. M. C. A. building from the ef-
fects of injuries received while bath-
ing in the gymnasium swimming tank.
Edwards was learning to dive, and it
is thought that he lost his balance and
fell, striking his head on the side of
the pool, or the cement bottom.

It is not known how long the injured
man lay in the water at the bottom
of the tank before he was discovered
by W. R. McDowell, engineer of the
building, as Edwards was alone when
the accident occurred. He was still
alive when taken from the water. When
medical assistance was hurriedly tele-
phoned for, and efforts made to resus-
cite him, four physicians were sent
for but none responded. Dr. M. E.
Pomeroy, a woman physician, was then
summoned. She worked heroically over
Edwards, but her skill was unavailing
for by the time she arrived he was be-
yond all earthly aid.

Edwards received ugly bruises on the
temple and face, which it is believed
rendered him unconscious and unable to
save his own life.

Coroner's jury took charge of the
body, and after making a thorough in-
vestigation, decided that it will not be
necessary to hold an inquest.

Edwards came here from England 10
years ago, where he married two years
ago. He is a native of London, and
since to Miss Una Morrison, daughter of
a farmer living near Truro, Devon.

The unfortunate man was 35 years old and
was employed as a waiter in Rollman's
restaurant, 501 1/2 First street. The only
address of relatives in the city was
given by W. R. McDowell, engineer of the
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necessary to hold an inquest.

Edwards came here from England 10
years ago, where he married two years
ago. He is a native of London, and
since to Miss Una Morrison, daughter of
a farmer living near Truro, Devon.

The unfortunate man was 35 years old and
was employed as a waiter in Rollman's
restaurant, 501 1/2 First street. The only
address of relatives in the city was
given by W. R. McDowell, engineer of the
building, as Edwards was alone when
the accident occurred. He was still
alive when taken from the water. When
medical assistance was hurriedly tele-
phoned for, and efforts