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SAMUEL WHITE WAS BORN IN THE SOUTH
New Judge of Eighth District Has Resided in Oregon for Twenty Years.

TELEPHONE'S RUN WORRIES OWNERS
More Rumors About Steamer That Has Been at Dock for a Year.

BOYS SEEK GOLD AT THE RAINBOW'S END
Two Little Dream-Haunted Chaps Leave Home on Wealth-Finding Mission.

HERE IS WORK ALL CAN DO FOR THE CITY
Arbor Day Planned, When Each May Set Plant or Tree or Flower.

STYLISH Dainty Slippers
Fresh, new goods on new models, just from the makers. Exclusive and winsome styles for house and dress wear.

Results of government irrigation projects in development of the Pacific Northwest are being closely followed by the Harriman railway line. The Oregon Short line has let a contract to the Utah Construction company for the first 30 miles of a branch from the main line, across the Snake river to Twin Falls City. The line has been graded and track laying has begun. It traverses lands that will be put under irrigation this year by the new Harriman line.

Samuel White, recently made judge of the new circuit court district known as the eighth and consisting wholly of Baker county, was born in Griffin, Ga., September 15, 1866. He was educated at Mercer university, Macon, Ga., then took a post-graduate course in law and literature in the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. June 3, 1888, he reached Grants Pass and there hung out his shingle as attorney.

MAY PLY BETWEEN THIS 'CITY AND RIVER MOUTH
In Connection With Kamm Line, Would Be Valuable Acquisition to Service.
Rumors are again afloat about the steamer Telephone, which has been tied at the Haggelotte dock ever since she was built, more than a year ago. It is reported that she will be placed in commission the first of next week between Portland and Astoria, and will be run in connection with the Kamm line of steamers. It is also stated that she will make regular calls at Kelso on the return trip and take on shingles from the mill at that place.

STORES BOOTHS ROOMS
For Rent—opposite the entrance to Fair Grounds.
B. M. LOMBARD H. E. NOBLE
Apply at 312 COMMERCIAL BLOCK

ERNEST BERGER LEADER IN IMAGINATIVE CHASE
Only Twelve Years Old, But Sturdily Follows the Light That Led Their Fathers.
To get the pot of gold waiting for those who find the way to the end of a rainbow, Ernest Berger, 13 years of age, left his home yesterday in company with a lad of equal years. He proposes to follow the bright, elusive hope-symbols until he reaches its end, and there he intends to dig until he finds the wealth that nursery rhymes told him should be there.

CITIZENS SHOULD UPROOT WEEDS AND FIX FENCES
Yards Should Be Cleaned and Portland Made to Look Garden That It Is.
The plan to hold an arbor day has been suggested by citizens who are enthusiastic in their efforts to beautify the city for the exposition. The purpose is to make it an occasion in which not only the public school children, but all the people of Multnomah county may participate.

Miss Martha Ideeen of 412 Russell street, who had her leg broken in the Morrison street bridge accident a year ago last July, is no greater a Dr. E. N. Crockett for the service he did her than she has just presented him with a cushion worked by her own hands. The ground of the cushion is white cloth and in various colored stripes worked some \$50,000 different kinds of stitches, in crusy work design.

Samuel White.
shingle as attorney. For two years he was fairly successful but the mining activities of eastern Oregon showed opportunities and there he went and since 1887 has been a factor in the legal and political life of that part of the state. He was elected district attorney for Baker, Union and Wallawa counties in June, 1893 and held the office for six years. In the campaign of two years ago he was chairman of the Democratic state central committee, which elected George E. Chamberlain governor.

MARINE NOTES.
Astoria, Feb. 24.—Left up at 8 a. m. schooners Oakland and Polaris.
Arrived at 9 a. m. left up at 10:30 a. m. steamer F. A. Kilburn from San Francisco and coast ports.
Arrived at 9 a. m. steamer Acme from San Francisco.
San Francisco, Feb. 23.—Arrived at 2 p. m. steamer Oregon from Portland.
Arrived at 4:45 p. m. steamer Redondo from Portland.

DRAGGING THE RIVER.
On March 1 the dredge Portland will begin the work of digging out a channel in front of the dock situated just above the Madison street bridge and owned by the Oregon Water Power & Railway company. The vessel will be operated by the Port of Portland, to whom she belongs, although the work will be paid for by the company. When the river is deepened there it is probable that other owners of waterfront property will make arrangements to secure the dredge for a similar purpose.

BELLINGHAM PUPILS COMING ON PRIVATE CAR
Emil Waldman of this city, who is making the sound districts at present, wrote to a friend here that he finds the Lewis and Clark exposition the topic of general discussion there, and that preparations are being made to attend. The following from the Bellingham Reveille, showing what the high school plans, he says, is indicative of the general interest:

Remove the Rubbish.
Trees and plants are planted, vacant yards and sidewalks are cleared of weeds and brush, hedges are trimmed, and all sorts of work is done to lend sweetness and light to the community.

A piece of oak cut from the waiste-roping of the room in Kilmarnock Hotel, occupied by the Masonic lodge, which Robert Burns belonged to in possession of Charles Cooney. It is being cut into smaller pieces and distributed among members of the fraternity. Burns belonged to what is now known as the mother lodge of Scotland, which is designated as No. 6. To this lodge go Masons of the United Kingdom to take the degree, and it is said that they go to Kilmarnock from Australia, England, Canada and other parts of the empire. Portland Masons who have received pieces of the oak prize them highly.

ST. JOHNS DEMANDS BETTER CAR SERVICE
People of the growing city of St. Johns are determined that the Piedmont road service shall be abated if reason and perseverance count for anything. They have repeatedly petitioned for relief, and they say the Portland Consolidated officials have not treated them fairly. Their last petition was pigeonholed, they say, and the St. Johns Commercial club last night took action to appoint a committee of 25 Peninsula citizens to wait upon the management of the road and ask that the Piedmont transfer be abolished, and that through cars be run from the city to St. Johns.

TRANSPORTS COMING HERE.
Buford and Sheridan Will Take Soldiers and Lumber From Portland.
Official notice has been received by the chamber of commerce that the United States transports Buford and Sheridan will arrive at Portland early in March to carry soldiers and lumber to Manila. The Nineteenth Infantry, now at Vancouver barracks, will take passage on the Buford, which will be supplied with lumber here. The transport Sheridan will take the balance of the shipment from the Portland Lumber company's yards. Heretofore when soldiers left the Columbia river port for Uncle Sam's island possessions they have gone by rail to San Francisco. For several years past the commercial bodies and other interests of this city have endeavored to induce the department at Washington to send transports direct to Portland, and they are now congratulating themselves that their wishes have at last been granted. The supplies for the Buford and Sheridan will probably be purchased in San Francisco. One of the transports will return to Portland with the Fourteenth infantry.

WAVE OF PROSPERITY FLOWS ST. JOHN'S WARD
National Bank and Big Manufacturing Among Proposed Improvements to Be Made.
St. Johns will have a national bank. Capitalists from Gaston, Mich., have been looking over the territory and have decided to establish an institution in the peninsula city with a capital of \$100,000.

CASPARY GOES EAST TO ANSWER FOR FORGERY
H. G. Caspary, for whom habeas corpus proceedings were instituted to prevent his being taken to St. Louis to answer a charge of forging a railway ticket, waived further hearing this morning, and consented to accompany Judge George, but before that time Caspary was beyond the jurisdiction of the court and spending the afternoon having left on the 9:15 o'clock train.

TILLERS OF THE SOIL TELL OF THE REWARDS
What is regarded as one of the most novel folders and effective Oregon advertisements ever issued has just been published by the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company advertising department, at the joint expense of that road and the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon.

Rev. L. M. Booser has been unanimously elected pastor of the new St. Johns Presbyterian church. At a congregational meeting last night L. L. Oviatt and Grant Braman were appointed to present the call to the Portland Presbytery. The new church will be opened for service March 6.

Rev. H. W. Jones, who is conducting meetings at the Calvary Baptist church, corner East Eighth and Grant streets, will deliver an address at that church Sunday afternoon at 7:30 o'clock to men only. The subject will be "Heavenly Arithmetic."

ALONG THE WATERFRONT.
In tow of the tender Heather the Columbia river lightship left for Astoria yesterday. As soon as the bar becomes open she will be towed to her old station off the mouth of the river. Capt. L. C. Helmer, lighthouse inspector for the district, was a passenger, and will inspect the buoy depot and other government work near the city by the sea before he returns.

MODERN EXPOSITIONS.
The Federation Board of women's clubs of Portland will hold a social convention tomorrow afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, in the Selling-Hirsch building, when a general program will be rendered. Henry E. Dowdy, director of exhibits at the Lewis and Clark fair, will speak on "Modern Expositions." Members of all clubs affiliating with the federation will be welcome to attend the convention.

POLITE ROBBER GETS AN EMPTY PURSE
On opening the door of her home, at 432 Manzanita avenue, last night, in response to a ring on the door bell, Mrs. John Springer, the wife of a street car conductor, was asked by a roughly dressed man if her husband was at home. Receiving a negative reply, the man covered Mrs. Springer with a revolver and forced her to precede him into the house, where she was obliged to hand over to him a bundle of money, empty, and the man hastily left the place, after warning the victim to make no outcry.

BAKER IN DIVORCE COURT.
Katherine Kane has sued Joseph W. Kane for divorce, alleging that he received \$125 a month and refuses to support her. They were married June 11, 1902.

Richard Malone has been released from custody, a not true bill having been returned by the district attorney for passing a forged check on J. L. Clark, a saloon-keeper. Clark was induced not to prosecute Malone, who belongs to a good family in Blount City.

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REPAIRS TO CHINOOK.
Address from San Francisco this morning states that the repairs to the government dredge Chinook will be completed next month in time for her to reach the mouth of the Columbia river by April 1.

TOO MANY PASSENGERS.
Acting under instructions from United States Inspectors Edwards and Fuller, the owners of the steamer F. A. Kilburn were fined \$500 at Astoria this morning for the alleged carrying of more passengers than the license of the craft calls for. When she reached the mouth of the river from San Francisco and way ports it is claimed that she had 63 passengers on board. She has space for the accommodation of only 45 passengers.

BLAZIER BROS. CONCERT EVERY NIGHT.
282-288 BURNSIDE.

THE LYRIC THEATRE
Seventh and Alder Streets.
Every afternoon and evening.
THE NEW LYRIC STOCK COMPANY,
in the sensational melodrama,
Beyond the Rockies
Specialties between acts.
Performances at 2:30, 7:30 and 9:15 p. m.
Dress price of admission, 10 cents.

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Advertisement for Oregon's Exposition featuring Sunset Magazine, March Number, and various theatrical performances at the Columbia Theatre, Marquand Theatre, Empire Theatre, Star Theatre, and Baker Theatre.