

ANNUAL DIN IN CHINATOWN STARTS AS CLOCKS PEAL TWELVE

Chinese Welcome the New Year Noisily With Volleys of Firecrackers.

NO MEAT AT BREAKFAST TIME YESTERDAY MORNING

On Monday the Ceremony of the Sacred Rooster Was Performed Throughout Chinatown—Yesterday There Was Money for Boys.

At 12 o'clock last night the annual dinner of Chinatown began. A volley of firecrackers, quickly followed by another and many others like the ceaseless rattling of machinery, sounded in Second street and the din continued until early this morning.

It was the Chinese greeting to the new year. In the balconies overlooking the street and in the halls, songs



A Chinese Family.

sounded, musicians adding their wild sounds to the hubbub until the most fabulous car in Chinatown was gratified. When the Chinese arose late yesterday morning, after a night at the faro tables or gambling the fumes of "yong-sha" they sought breakfast. But the usual breakfast was not called for.



The Boys Have Money.

No meat or fish may be eaten at the first meal of the new year. The custom is observed universally by rich and poor alike. On the seventh day of the celebration devout Chinamen eat raw fish. It is called "see-sann," the feast of the atonement. It is to appease the wooden deity that corresponds to the mythological Neptune, who presides over the sea and gives to them the multitudes of fish that they eat during the year.

Every small boy in Chinatown was given several small pieces of money



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PEOPLE'S WAY OF SPELLING WINS

Postoffice Authorities Give Up Efforts to Simplify Writing Towns' Names.

IT'S LA GRANDE NOW INSTEAD OF LAGRANDE

Many Lost Portland Letters Found to Have Gone to Portland, Colorado, on Account of Misdirection or Poor Handwriting.

The postoffice authorities at Washington have abandoned their persistent efforts to simplify the spelling of the names of postoffices throughout the country by eliminating the hyphen or joining the words where two were used. It has been found impracticable because people refused to conform to the new rules and persisted in writing two-worded names as they had always done. The first indication that the local postoffice authorities received that the government officials had receded from their former position was when the 1906 postal guide was received today.

The railway clerks and other postal employees were surprised to see the post-office at La Grande spelled as the Spanish did it, and not Lagrande, as the postmaster-general decreed. It should be more than a year ago. The same condition was found to exist in the other two-worded cities and towns of the state and country.

THRONG OF CONVERTS CROWD ABOUT THE ALTAR

Successful Evangelistic Services Being Held at First United Evangelical.

So intense is the interest in the revivals being held in the First United Evangelical church, at East Tenth and Sherman streets, that often it has been found inexpedient at times to close the nightly meetings at the designated hour. As the revival progresses the number of converts increases. At last night's services the space about the altar was

OREGON FIR FOR EAST COAST

American Bark Harry Morse is Chartered to Take Cargo to New York.

SHIP C. F. SARGENT IS LOADING ON SOUND

Both Old Craft and Will Be Converted Into Barges or Scows—Harry Morse Now Being Made Ready for Long Voyage.

To assist in supplying the demand for Oregon fir on the Atlantic coast, the American bark Harry Morse was chartered this morning to load at Portland for New York. She will begin taking on cargo early next month and will handle in the neighborhood of 1,800,000 feet. It will be the first shipment of fir made from the Columbia river to the eastern coast for years.

The ship C. F. Sargent of the same line is loading on the sound for the Atlantic coast, having gone north for that purpose three weeks ago. It is understood that both craft have been sold to easterners and will be converted into barges or scows.

Mechanics are now busily employed getting the Harry Morse in shape to make the long trip around the Horn. Her rigging is in bad condition and it will be necessary to recall her. Other minor repair work will have to be done to the vessel.

Ships are now under charter to transport lumber from Portland to almost every port of the world. They will go to the west coast, to the west coast of South America, Italy, Pacific coast ports and to points on the Atlantic coast.

LOAD OF BEDSTEADS.

Several Hundred Tons of Them Weigh Down the Uchina.

One of the biggest shipments of bedsteads that ever went out of Portland on a steamer was taken to Vancouver this morning by the Uchina of the Kamm line. They are made of wrought iron and weighed several hundred tons.

Not another pound of freight was carried by the steamer, every available foot of space being taken up by the beds which were being even piled on the hurricane deck and it is almost impossible to get around on the craft without tripping over the feet and legs which protruded in every direction.

Many of the hotels and lodging-houses at Vancouver have been making extensive preparation for the past few weeks fitting out extensive accommodations for the laborers who will be employed on the new railroad. It is said, however, that the company has decided to take care of all the employees and private concerns have been so notified in order that they may not go to any unnecessary expense.

MAY WIDEN SLIP.

Major Rosser and Ben Bignia Trying to Help Ferryboat.

Major E. W. Rosser of the corps of United States engineers and Ben Bignia, the harbormaster, looked over the site yesterday afternoon of the landing place on the east side for the ferryboat. Later in the afternoon they are to have the slip widened and extended out into the river so that it will be possible for the boat to effect a landing more easily.

BIG WHEAT CARGO.

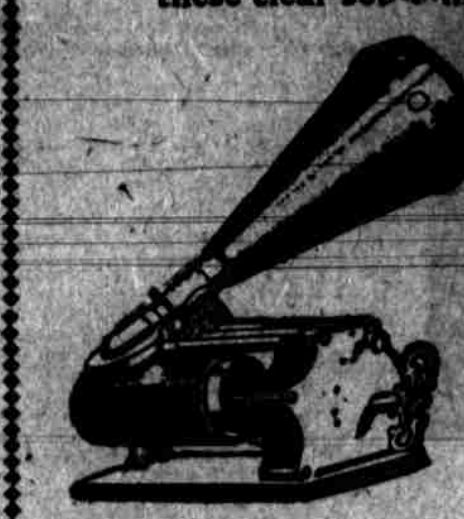
French Bark Able Will Carry Hundred Thousand Bushels' Worth.

Few larger grain cargoes have been taken on here this season than that which the French bark Able will transport to the United Kingdom. She finished loading yesterday afternoon and the grain she has on board measures 3,225 tons, equivalent to 15,125 bushels of wheat.

MARINE NOTES.

Astoria, Jan. 11.—Arrived at 8 a. m., steamer Senator and tug Dauntless, from San Francisco; steamer F. A. Kiburn, from San Francisco and way ports, and steamer Jeanie, from Port Los Angeles and way ports.

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MUCH DRIFTWOOD.

Driftwood in the Willamette and Columbia rivers is so thick as to cause considerable annoyance to the steamshipmen. While bound from Astoria last night some of the floating timbers got entangled in the rudder of the steamer Lurline and bent it out of shape.

It is said that since the recent heavy rains a great many logs are also drifting down the river. After some of these have been in the water a while they become partly submerged and are a source of constant danger.

COLLIDES WITH TUG.

Major Rosser and Ben Bignia Trying to Help Ferryboat. The tug Arago, one of the government boats, near Astoria. A portion of the Arago's port side was stove in, but all of the damage done is above the water line.

ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

After lying on the outside of the Columbia river bar for a couple of days on account of the thick weather the steamers F. A. Kiburn and Jeanie reached Astoria this morning from San Francisco and will arrive at Portland this afternoon.

HUNDRED MILES OF MACADAMIZED ROAD

Freewater, Or., Jan. 11.—The Umatilla county court is being petitioned to macadamize the new road which will be

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WILLAMETTE STUDENTS FAVOR THREE TERMS

Willamette university at a student body meeting yesterday discussed whether three terms a year were better than the two semesters.

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