

TO BUILD DREDGE OF GREAT POWER

Government Engineers Invite Bids for Construction of Sand Pumping Craft.

PHILADELPHIA OFFICE IN CHARGE OF PROPOSALS

Letting of Contract Means Better Channel at Mouth of Columbia River, Where Dredge Will Do Most of the Work.

Sealed proposals for constructing a steel, single screw suction dredge for the Columbia river will be received at Philadelphia until 3:30 o'clock p. m., June 7, and then publicly opened according to a copy of the specifications received this morning at the local office of the United States engineers. Last congress appropriated \$1,000,000 for the construction and operation of the dredge to be built.

This means that the government will henceforth prosecute the work of deepening the channel to the sea more vigorously than in the past with the dredge W. S. Ladd. The latter craft was about worn out and a new dredge has been talked of for a long time. It will be first-class in every respect and equipped with immense power. The entire hull will be built of steel and the pumps will be of the latest improved type. This dredge will be used almost exclusively at the mouth of the Columbia river and in the bay near Astoria.

FOR BETTER SERVICE

Wireless Telegraph Station on Paget Sound Island.

Captain P. J. Werlich, lighthouse inspector, this morning was notified that at the earliest possible the government will establish a wireless telegraph station at Smiths Island, Puget sound. The station will not be a connecting link between the stations at Tatoosh, Cape Flattery and Bremerton navy yard, Port Orchard.

Owing to some sort of atmospheric condition the wireless service between Tatoosh and Bremerton has at times failed to work satisfactorily and it is to overcome this trouble that the new station will be built. The distance between Tatoosh and Smiths Island is

almost as great as between Tatoosh and Bremerton, but by the new route the waves will be sent over water instead of land.

KILBURN ARRIVES

Will Be Overhauled and Inspected Here This Trip.

The steamer P. A. Kilburn, Captain McLellan, arrived here this morning from San Francisco via Eureka and Coos bay, after a stormy voyage, a stiff northwest breeze holding her back most of the way. She will sail south Friday night or Saturday morning. Captain McLellan says the weather has been very stormy in the vicinity of Eureka. The Kilburn brought a full cargo of freight and 74 passengers. She was to start south tomorrow night, but owing to the strike in San Francisco the annual inspection will be held here instead. This necessitates a general overhauling and for that reason it will not be possible to get her to sea before Friday night at the best.

NEW INSPECTION LAWS

Washington State Inspectors to Be Appointed Soon.

Olympia, Wash., May 7.—The state labor commissioner has just got out the new steamboat inspection law for distribution, and will go to Seattle today to consult with the United States inspectors of steamboats for the purpose of preparing rules and regulations governing the work of the state inspectors to be appointed.

ALONG THE WATERFRONT

The steam schooner Johan Poulsen, Captain Merriman, discharged 50 tons of iron at Oak street dock this morning and then proceeded to Linnton to load lumber for San Francisco. She will come to the Inman-Poulsen company mills tomorrow to finish.

Charles E. Goldsmith, superintendent of the state portage railway from Big Eddy to Celilo, is in the city today. He says trains have been operated all winter on spasmodic schedules and enough freight has been hauled to almost pay expenses. As a rule very little freight is handled there during the winter months.

The Portland and Astoria liner Nicomedia is due to reach Astoria this evening or tomorrow morning. She brings 2,000 tons of overland freight and considerable merchandise for local consignees.

The Russian steamer Selenga will finish loading for North China and Siberia this afternoon. She is in the Frank Waterhouse line. The next steamer due here to load for the same destination is the Hyndford. She will be here in about 10 days.

The North Pacific company's steamer Ronoko, Captain Dunham, will be at Martin's dock at 3 o'clock this afternoon from San Pedro and way ports.

The British steamer Strathclyde which arrived at Astoria today, comes under charter to E. T. Williams & Co. to load lumber for the orient. She is in from San Francisco.

The usual weekly concert at the Seaman's institute, 100 North Front street, will be given tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock under the direction of friends of the mission, assisted by seamen in port.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE

Regular Liners Due to Arrive.

Ronoko, from San Pedro and way, May 7
Nicomedia, from Astoria, May 7
Alliance, from Coos Bay, May 12
Columbia, from San Francisco, May 13
G. W. Elder, from San Pedro and way, May 13
P. A. Kilburn, from San Fran. and way, May 13

ACT QUICKLY

Delay Has Been Dangerous in Portland

Do the right thing at the right time. Act quickly in times of danger. Backache is kidney danger. Doan's Kidney Pills act quickly. Cure all distressing, dangerous kidney ills. Plenty of evidence to prove this.

H. E. McCarver of 201 Cherry street, Portland, Oregon, inspector of freight for the Trans-Continental company, a man who is very well known among the railroaders of the coast, says: "Doan's Kidney Pills are among the few proprietary remedies which do all that is claimed for them, and they have my thorough confidence. I used them for backache and other very marked symptoms of kidney trouble which had annoyed me for months. I think a cold was responsible for the whole trouble. It seemed to settle in my kidneys. Doan's Kidney Pills rooted it out. It is several months since I used them and up to date there has been no recurrence of the trouble. I have recommended them to a number of the boys about the freighthouse and I know if they gave them a fair trial they certainly must have been pleased with the results."

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left up at 7 a. m. steamer Ronoko, from San Pedro and way ports. Arrived at 11 a. m. British steamer Strathclyde, from San Francisco. San Francisco, May 7.—Arrived, steamer Argyl, from Portland. Astoria, May 6.—Arrived at 1:15 and left up at 7:30 p. m. steamer P. A. Kilburn, from San Francisco and way ports. Arrived down at 3:20 and sailed at 5 p. m. steamer Columbia, for San Francisco. Sailed at 6:30 p. m. steamer J. B. Steison, for San Francisco. Left up at 7 p. m. steamer Johan Poulsen, for San Francisco. Sailed at 12:30 p. m. steamer Costa Rica, for Portland. Sailed, steamer Cascade, for Columbia river. Astoria, May 7.—Condition of the bar at 8 a. m. smooth; wind, southeast; weather, clear.

BUY CRATER LAKE ROAD AND EXTEND IT

Local and Eastern Capitalists Plan to Take Over Line in Medford Region.

Portland and eastern men interested in timber investments are negotiating for the purchase of the Medford & Crater Lake railroad, recently put up for sale by Eugene J. Rogee. Under the terms of the law the bid for \$25,000 received from Walling Bros. at the sale may not be accepted although it was the highest bid. Should anyone offer an advance of 10 per cent the receiver may hold another sale, or should the court decline to confirm the sale the old bid the road would remain in the receiver's hands.

It is understood that neither the receiver nor the court regard the old bid as a fair price for the property, and efforts have been made to find other bidders. This effort has been successful, and there is a strong probability that the newly found buyers will take over the road. They are represented by the Oregon Trust & Savings bank, and the negotiations are being carried on in the name of Stryker & Estes.

The road was projected from Medford to the large sugar pine holdings in the vicinity of Prospect, on Butte creek, about 35 miles east of Medford. Construction was carried on as long as the promoters could raise money for the work, and when the funds were exhausted the road had been completed as far as Eagle Point, 12 miles from Medford. Financial difficulties followed, and the road went into the hands of a receiver. It has been operated regularly and is in good condition to be taken over by any financial interests strong enough to complete and equip it. A certainty of large tonnage exists and the inexhaustible supplies of fine timber on the headwaters of the Rogee river.

It is said the men who are negotiating through the Oregon Trust & Savings bank have made a proposition to the Medford stockholders and that the latter will consent to the sale of stock for bonds. If satisfactory deal can be arranged the buyers will give a bond of \$10,000 to guarantee immediate construction.

PRECOCIOUS CRIMINAL FLEES FROM SPOKANE

(Journal Special Service.) Spokane, Wash., May 7.—Little Johnnie Malloy, 11 years old, after making his escape from the juvenile court, stole a horse and buggy and started for Idaho. Sheriff Doak gave instructions to watch for him at various Idaho points and set out in pursuit himself, in an automobile. The boy was arrested at Coeur d'Alene City, Idaho, and returned to Spokane. He is now in jail. The boy has a strong record for a lad of his age. He ran away from his home at North Yakima. In his flight he stole a horse and buggy and sold the outfit for \$8, after driving one horse until exhausted. He came to Spokane and was arrested for stealing a bicycle. He later stole five more, all of which he sold at second-hand stores, with notes, forged, purporting to be written by his parents, permitting him to make the sale.

DEATH OF AGED WAR VETERAN AT ASTORIA

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Astoria, Or., May 7.—John Wilson, a well known resident of this city, died last evening, aged 73 years, after an illness of long duration. He was a native of Sweden and a veteran of the Indian and civil wars. He was a member of Cushing Post, G. A. R. of this city, under the auspices of which the funeral will take place.

Seven Years for Eggleston

Bolsa, Idaho, May 7.—George Eggleston, convicted of assault on his 15-year-old daughter, and sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary in the district court at Weiser, has been brought to the state prison by the sheriff of Washington county. Eggleston's home is near Cambridge.

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LOT 1
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Flouncing Embroideries from 3 to 6 inches wide, with insertions to match, attractive new patterns, made of Hamburg and Nainsook, finished with fine firm edges; excellent value at 20c a yard. Specially priced for this sale at..... **11c**

LOT 2
25c Kinds at 12½c
Flouncing Embroideries from 8 to 12 inches wide, with insertions to match, all new patterns, in both blind and openwork, splendid quality Nainsook and cambric, best of workmanship; best 25c kinds. Specially priced for this sale at..... **12½c**

LOT 3
45c Kinds at 23c
Flouncing and Shirtwaist Embroideries from 12 to 16 inches wide, the most beautiful new patterns embroidered on best grade Hamburg, Swiss and Nainsook; best 35c and 45c kinds. Specially priced for this sale at..... **23c**

LOT 4
65c Kinds at 33c
Flouncing and Shirtwaist Embroideries from 10 to 20 inches wide, with insertions and bands to match, all new attractive patterns, good dependable qualities; worth from 50c to 65c. Specially priced for this sale..... **33c**

LOT 5
\$1.00 Kinds at 48c
Flouncing and Shirtwaist Embroideries from 10 to 18 inches wide, the very finest St. Gall Embroidery, beautiful hand work in pretty floral, scroll and open patterns; sold everywhere at from 85c to \$1.00 a yard. Specially priced for this sale at..... **48c**

LOT 6
\$1.25 Kinds at 63c
Shirtwaist Embroideries from 18 to 22 inches wide embroidered on fine Nainsook, Swisses and chiffon cloths, in all the novelty designs, beautiful small and large floral effects, openwork and cut patterns; values from \$1.25 to \$1.50. Specially priced at..... **63c**

An early call is recommended. Extra salespeople, wrappers and cashiers in attendance. All the tables in the center aisle devoted to this great display. None sold on approval. None sent C. O. D. No mail or phone orders filled.

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