

# GAMECOCK IS LAUGHED AT SUPPLE YARDS

## Large Towboat for Willamette & Columbia River Towing Co. Made Successful Entry Into Water Yesterday.

Witnessed by more than 500 people, the Willamette & Columbia River Towing company's new towboat, Gamecock, slid into the water at the Joseph Supple shipyard yesterday afternoon, causing a large wave to roll from one bank to the other of the river.

At 11:05 o'clock, with about 50 people, half of whom were women and children, standing on her deckhouse, and with flags flying at all available points, the steamer started down the ways to the water. As she began to move, slowly at first, Miss Olive Politte, the 11-year-old daughter of A. L. Politte, vice president of the Willamette & Columbia River Towing company, broke the bottle on the bow of the steamer and christened her Gamecock.

By the time the steamer reached the bottom of the ways she gained considerable headway, but in spite of this when she struck the water she remained on an even keel and floated gracefully and gently to the dock at the west end of the yards. At the time of the launching the surrounding docks and the shipyard were crowded with people who had assembled to witness the affair.

Among those who attended were F. R. Jones, president; William E. Jones, secretary and treasurer, and A. L. Politte, vice president of the towing company, and their families.

The Gamecock, which will be ready to begin operating on the river as a towboat in a week's time, was built especially for hard service on the shallow waters of some parts of the river and the adjoining sloughs, and is constructed of a type that has never before been feasible with that type of craft.

She is 140 feet long, 32 feet beam and 8 feet depth of hold, with very powerful engines, and is expected to develop 13 knots an hour without a tow. Mr. Supple believes that she is the finest boat of her type that he has ever turned out.

The steamer is electric lighted throughout and is equipped with a steam steering gear of shotgun type, which operates the four main rudders and the auxiliary to the hand steering wheel.

### WILL REMODEL DOCK

Sheds to be Built Over Structure at Supple's.

Material for the building of sheds to cover the dock at the Supple Shipyard is on the ground and construction of them will begin immediately. There will be four of the sheds and when they are completed it is thought that they will be the only ones of the kind in the harbor.

The distinctive feature of the sheds which Mr. Supple proposes to place over his dock is that they rest on independent piling which is in no way connected with the supports of the dock. There will be two of these piling to each post in the sheds and will be covered with a cap piece on which the post will rest. This will enable them to repair the dock proper at any time, without interfering with the sheds, and it will also take off the added weight which would otherwise rest on the piling and timbers of the dock. The sheds will have trussed roofs.

There will be four of the sheds, each one facing the river, and each of the sections will be 48 feet 6 inches in width. They will cover the dock which is 88 feet wide at one end, 67 feet at the other end, and 187 feet long, and will be completed in about two weeks. They will be used for receiving cement and general merchandise coming in on the different coasters. A 30 foot channel is now being dredged in front of the dock so that steamers of any size can get in there to discharge their cargo.

# SCHOOL QUESTION MOST IMPORTANT IN CITY BEAUTIFUL

## This Problem Will Get Close Attention of Municipal Architect Bennett; Schools Should Be Near Playgrounds.

E. H. Bennett, municipal architect, inspected many Portland school buildings yesterday. He gave it as an opinion, following the tour, that the problem of schools will be one of the most serious and momentous to be considered in the formulation of plans for the "city beautiful."

"A modern schoolhouse," said Mr. Bennett, "gives freest possible access to sunshine and air. Gingerbread architecture, single nooks, ill chosen locations, are hodge-podge. Choice of location, ample playgrounds, roomy, comfortable and plain construction relate vitally to the welfare of students."

Mr. Bennett indulged in no criticisms. "I have come to Portland to help, not to hinder; to build up, not to tear down; to be affirmative, not negative, and, least of all, neutral," he said.

At the same time it was impossible to avoid notice of a plain fact that many Portland school buildings are of an antiquated type, injudiciously located, and barren of playgrounds.

Sunnyvale school, for instance, is surrounded by livery barns, and little folk slish wistfully, but in vain, for a playground opportunity, or even a cheering outlook. The new Glenwood school, again, is a massed front of gingerbread ornamentation, of architecture closely familiar to the "cottage" style, and with a west front appearing as though the building had been sliced in two.

"Exteriors govern interiors," said Mr. Bennett, generalizing, "single nooks and projections and useless forms make for dark corners and poor ventilation within. Sun and air are not given entrance."

Playgrounds important.

"I believe properly constructed buildings important, but playgrounds are no less important. If you notice, every vacant lot adjacent to schools unprovided with playgrounds is overrun by the children. To play is a primitive instinct and much stronger than the study instinct. Children taught to play after a system that will build up their bodies and teach them a bit of physical skill will be quicker students in the school-room. What is more important, they will become stronger men and women and better citizens."

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Governed by General Plan.

A general plan governs all construction. The ideal of beauty is gradually realized; it is found to be the most practical plan, too. The plain, sensibly constructed schoolhouse, for instance, costs much less than the extensively ornamental and really hideous elaborate type. The county bonding system being the most favorably received. The speaker mentioned the different measures that would be presented to the legislature and constitutional amendment that will be proposed.

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Mr. Bennett found it impossible to assign a name to the architecture used in the construction of some of the schools he saw. He finally said he thought they must be of a "composite" or "original" type. The Glenwood school, at East Forty-ninth and Belmont, was one of those more recently designed and constructed, which attracted his attention.

# ALLEGED LOOTERS ARE INVESTIGATED

## Two Men Accused of Looting Freight From Wrecked Czarina.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Marshallfield, Or., March 19.—Captain D. F. A. Day, Or., the revenue cutter Rush has completed his investigation of the charges against Surfmen Christanson and Taylor of the Cooz bay life-saving crew. The men are alleged to have looted freight which came ashore at the Czarina wreck. The findings will be announced later by the treasury department. Attorneys in the case state that there was probably not sufficient evidence against the men to warrant finding them guilty. The port commissioner wanted Captain Deotte to investigate the action of the captain of the crew, but he stated he could only look into the looting case according to his instructions, as a result it is possible that specific charges will be made against Captain Boice of the Life Saving crew in order to bring about an investigation of charges made. It will be alleged, that the captain did not make sufficient efforts in firing the life line and launching the surf boat.

GOOD ROADS MEETING HELD AT WOODBURN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Woodburn, Or., March 19.—Judge Lionel R. Webster, president of the Oregon Good Roads association, addressed a good roads meeting in this city this afternoon. Other speakers were County Judge William Bushney, Colonel E. Hofer and the chairman, E. P. Moore, president of the Woodburn Commercial club. All spoke for early action on the roads and a change of system. Judge Webster explained the different systems, the county bonding system being the most favorably received. The speaker mentioned the different measures that would be presented to the legislature and constitutional amendment that will be proposed.

FARMERS MAY BUY BIG WAREHOUSE AT CONDON

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Condon, Or., March 19.—A deal has been practically completed between the Interior Warehouse company and the local branch of the Farmers' Educational & Cooperative Union of America, by which the wheat growers will acquire the warehouse property of the company in this city. This deal will make the farmers independent, as they can then hold their grain without paying excessive storage charges, and can take advantage of higher prices. This move has been greatly desired for years and comes at an opportune time as the prospects are excellent for a bumper crop.

The warehouse company will be left without a warehouse, as the farmers are to take possession at the close of the wool season. Whether they will build again, or not has not been decided, but for the present at least they will retain their office here.

BILLY SULLIVAN IN GRAVEST OF DANGER

Los Angeles, March 19.—Catch Billy Sullivan, who yesterday was thought to be out of danger, is in a desperate condition, and there are grave fears that amputation of his leg may be necessary to save his life. Another operation was resorted to at 5 o'clock this afternoon, the surgeons making new incisions to remove the poisonous matter.

More Paving for The Dalles Streets.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

The Dalles, Or., March 19.—At a special meeting of the city council last night an ordinance was passed providing for the paving of nine blocks on Third street with bituminous pavement and authorizing the mayor and recorder to ask for bids for the same. When this street is paved, which will be done during the coming summer, The Dalles will have 19 blocks of hard surface streets.

Brothers Meet at Doors of Penitentiary

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Salem, Or., March 19.—Two brothers, who had not seen each other for eight years, met today at the Oregon state penitentiary. Both are serving short terms for crimes committed in this state and both were deserters from the United States navy. One gives his name as Jess La Mere and was sent to Salem from Multnomah county about a year ago. The other gave his name as Hudson and arrived yesterday at the penitentiary in custody of the sheriff of Union county. Each was surprised to meet the other in state's prison. Their history was not repeated in the presence of the officers to such an extent that it was learned what each had been doing for the past eight years.

ROSEBURG'S BOOSTER QUILTS HIS POSITION

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Roseburg, Or., March 19.—Thomas Darby Richardson, Roseburg's 400 a year booster, has resigned. His resignation has been accepted by the publicity committee. The present publicity work will be kept up and a new publicity manager employed as soon as practicable. Mr. Richardson will probably locate in Portland.

Two Land Deals at The Dalles.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

The Dalles, Or., March 19.—Two important land deals were made here the past few days. E. M. Hartman sold 120 acres orchard land to A. E. Carter for \$19,000. The land is 2 1/2 miles from The Dalles and 30 acres are in orchard, the trees being from one to three years old. The Key place on Mill creek, consisting of some 20 acres in bearing orchard, was bought by E. Kurtz, the purchase price being \$13,000.

Home Bank Buys Bonds.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

The Dalles, Or., March 19.—Bids were asked yesterday for \$21,500 Dalles city street improvement 8 per cent bonds, and the entire issue was taken by the First National bank at 1 1/4 per cent premium, the best bid being \$21,500. The next highest bid was 1 per cent premium.

# MANY ANXIOUS TO BE CITIZENS

## Five Admitted to Citizenship by Judge Morrow; Other Cases Continued.

Presiding Judge Morrow listened to the recitations of an unusually slow class in citizenship yesterday. Five of the candidates made their way through the examination and were allowed to take the oath, but a larger number stumbled fearfully. They had such small knowledge of the government of their adopted land that the judge postponed their cases and advised them to post up.

Achille Segher's petition was dismissed because he has taken up government land in Tillamook county and is outside the jurisdiction of the Multnomah circuit court. David Egeberger was rejected because his proof was insufficient and Mat Gutthert has a land claim in Clackamas county, making it necessary for him to abandon his petition.

Those admitted to citizenship were Hyman Philip Taylor, Johan A. Danielson, Angelo Ambrosio, Nels F. Noren and Anton Edward Bertelson. The applications of Martin Kaufman, Peter A. Doctor, Dominik Zorovich, Edward Erikson, George Kallagrana and Sam Markis were continued to give them an opportunity to learn more about American institutions.

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# LOCAL HIBERNIANS WANT CONVENTION

## About \$4000 Subscribed to Fund to Bring Big Meeting to Portland.

Officials of the local lodge of the Ancient Order of Hibernians are preparing to make a general canvass for funds for the purpose of paying the expenses of holding the national convention of the order in Portland July 19 to 24.

About \$4000 has been subscribed already by the merchants and business men of the city, who have been asked to contribute. The soliciting committee needs about \$15,000 altogether. Little trouble is expected to get the requisite amount as the annual convention will bring 1400 delegates from all parts of the country to this city. Friends and relatives of the delegates are expected to swell the number of visitors to 4000.

The "National Hibernians," the monthly publication of the fraternal organization, in its last issue, devoted four columns to a eulogy of Portland and the northwest. This paper reaches 500,000 readers and the advertisement to Portland business men is worth many times the amount they have been called upon to subscribe toward defraying the expense of bringing the big convention to this city.

BIG REDUCTION IN CLASS FREIGHT RATES

(Special Bureau of The Journal.)

Salem, Or., March 19.—A general reduction of the class rates of 14 per cent will go into effect on the line of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company between Portland and The Dalles, upon the complaint of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. An investigation was had and the reduction ordered two years ago. The railroad company procured an injunction in the federal court restraining the commission from enforcing its order, but upon a hearing at Portland a short time ago the corporation lost.

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# HEBREWS WILL BE ENTERTAINED AT THE WHITE HOUSE

## Bnai B'rith Convention at Capital Promises to Eclipse Any Yet Held—Many Features on Program.

(Publishers' Press Released Wire.)

Washington, D. C., March 18.—Honors seldom attained are in store for the prominent Hebrews from all parts of the United States who attend the four-day convention of the Bnai B'rith fraternal order in this city beginning Sunday, April 3. Among the features of the program are a reception at the White House and a dinner at which President Taft and the diplomatic corps will be the guests of honor.

Thomas M. Page, the novelist and writer of southern stories, will present each delegate with an autograph copy of his book, "John Marvel, Assistant," the hero of which is a Jew.

President Alphonse Kraus of Chicago will call the convention to order and Commissioner Rudolph of Washington will deliver the address of welcome.

Lucius L. Solomon, the famous Jewish orator of San Francisco, will deliver an address. Mr. Solomon will deliver another address at Mount Vernon, when a wreath will be placed upon Washington's tomb, the day following.

In the afternoon of Monday, President Taft will receive the delegates in the east room of the White House and will deliver an address. On the following day Miss Mabel Borden will address the convention. On Wednesday night at the banquet of the delegates, Vice President Sherman and Speaker Cannon will be among the guests.

The business session will be held in the Arlington hotel.

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