

# DEATH OF MABEL KING NOT DUE TO PTOMAINE POISON

### "It Seems That Child Died From Natural Causes," Declares Coroner Dr. Norden; Chemist Makes Report.

Investigation by the coroner and state health officers has established, practically without doubt, that little Mabel King, whose death was supposed to have been brought about by ptomaine poisoning, died from natural causes. Acute gastritis is generally given as the cause of death.

In line with this conclusion, health officers have absolved Thomas King, the father, a teamster living at 72 1/2 Williams avenue, from all suspicion. King has received a formal statement in apology for mistaken suspicion.

When Dr. C. T. Croddy was called to the King home more than a week ago to attend Mrs. King and her four children, he did not hesitate to pronounce ptomaine poisoning the cause of their suffering. And when the coroner, Dr. Croddy filled out the death certificate, giving the cause of death as "ptomaine poisoning."

**No Poison Found.** Dr. Croddy and other physicians whom he called in and who helped him with the post mortem examination, concurred in the opinion that ptomaine poisoning had not occurred. It was only as a precaution that a portion of the intestines of the child was sent to the Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis for examination. Professor Fulton's letter that, after a careful analysis, he had failed to find signs of any kind of ptomaine, was a decided surprise to the physicians.

The chemist wrote that he found that the intestines were inflamed and slightly swollen, but that he had tested for ptomaines, arsenic and strychnine and had not found evidence of the presence of any of these poisons.

"I will say positively that ptomaine poisoning did not cause death," said Dr. Ben Norden, coroner, today. "It would seem that the child died from natural causes, probably acute gastritis."

Thomas King said that when he arrived home on the day that his wife and four children were affected, he found his wife cooking potatoes. When he saw that she had no meat in the house, he gave his 14-year-old daughter some money and sent her to a near-by meat market for liver. For dinner the family had only liver, potatoes, tea and bread and butter. The children did not drink tea.

**What Doctors Think.** Physicians who have examined the body of the girl say that Dr. Croddy's declaration that death came from ptomaine poisoning is borne out by every symptom. All agree that they would have made the same report, when considering that five members of the family were affected in like manner. Even the autopsy strengthened the belief that ptomaine caused death.

Father W. A. Daly, whose parishioner King is, said today that the teamster would have made the same report, when considering that five members of the family were affected in like manner. Even the autopsy strengthened the belief that ptomaine caused death.

An inquest over the remains of Mabel King will be held on the morgue tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

**NEW MAYOR GIVES UP MOST GLORIOUS IDEA AND THERE'S A REASON**

Portland has a new mayor. Henry Belding, president of the city council, when he got out of bed this morning was elevated to the office of chief executive of the city at 11 o'clock, when the office was temporarily abdicated by Joseph Simon. Mr. Simon went to Salem to attend the funeral of the late William P. Long.

Acting Mayor Belding said this morning that he thought seriously of taking the \$600 secret service fund which the city charter authorizes the mayor to expend every year without returning vouchers therefor and using the money to pay for a banquet to be tendered to the city officials. Mayor Belding received, however, was from the city hall reporters, and he concluded to abandon his idea.

Mayor Belding will preside at a special meeting of the executive board this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

**Broken Rail Wrecks Fast Mail.** (United Press Leased Wire.)  
Palladas, Nev., Feb. 21.—A broken rail is held responsible for the wrecking last night of the eastbound China and Japan fast mail, resulting in the injury of 15 passengers. Railroad officials say that owing to the cold weather the rail snapped when the engine and tender passed over it. The entire train tore along the track for nearly 400 feet, and then two coaches, the smoker and a chair car turned over. The injured were taken to an Elko hospital on a special train. No one was seriously hurt.

**Red Raven**  
is a pleasant tasting laxative water, in bottles called splits. A bottle is a dose and relieves constipation, sick headache and sick stomach  
"Ask the Man"

## Fought Reciprocity



Congressman John Daize of Pennsylvania, who led the opposition in his fight against the McCall bill, which aims to carry into effect the reciprocity agreement between the United States and Canada.

## FIRST ROUND IS WON BY FLAGG

**Secures Injunction Restraining Committee From Revising Journal.**

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Salem, Or., Feb. 21.—Chief Clerk Flagg has won the first battle in his controversy with Journal Clerk John Hunt and R. D. C. Mercer, whom the senate named late Saturday night to revise the journal of the senate. Flagg last night secured a permanent injunction through the district attorney's office from Circuit Judge William Gallo-way restraining Hunt and Mercer from going ahead with the work, on the ground that the law provides that the chief clerk shall do the work with the assistance of the journal clerk.

The work of revising the journal has not yet started because of the entanglement. President Ben Selling of the senate will be in Salem today to see if an amicable adjustment of the difficulty cannot be effected whereby the work of preparing the journal for publication can proceed. Attorney General Crawford took up the fight for Hunt and Mercer and argued that a former legislature could not make a ruling that would bind the procedure of a subsequent assembly, but the judge held that the rule laid down by the former body was law and must be obeyed, as such.

Hunt and Mercer will probably not appeal the case to the supreme court but Journal Clerk Hunt is in possession of the uncompleted journal which Flagg cannot handle until it is prepared for him by Hunt, and Hunt does not seem disposed to give up his possession of the journal entries.

## REFRIGERATOR CARS AT NO EXTRA COST

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Washington, Feb. 21.—By the decision of the Interstate Commerce commission in ruling that western shippers should receive the use of refrigerator cars whenever needed without additional cost, the railroads for precooling produce will be saved annually to the fruit growers of the Pacific coast.

## TWO PASSENGERS KILLED IN OKLAHOMA WRECK

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Stillwater, Okla., Feb. 21.—Details of the train wreck near here in which two persons were killed and four probably fatally injured were received today. The dead: Mrs. L. M. Love, Greenfield, Okla. Mrs. L. M. Love, Stillwater, Okla. Eight persons were slightly injured. Three coaches were derailed. The wreck is supposed to have been caused by the slide of a section of water-soaked track.

## GEORGE GOULD MAY SOON RETIRE FROM BUSINESS

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
New York, Feb. 21.—With official verification of the report that the Gould holdings of Missouri Pacific have been offered for sale at something above \$70 a share, it is generally believed here that George J. Gould will shortly retire from active business. The railroad holdings of the Gould family approximate \$100,000,000.

**Fire on Battleship New Jersey.** Boston, Feb. 21.—A board of inquiry is investigating a fire in the dynamo room of the battleship New Jersey, which last night imperiled that vessel. It is believed that faulty wiring caused a short circuit and started the blaze. The flames were prevented from reaching the magazine by the heroic efforts of the crew.

## CORBETT FUNERAL AT TRINITY CHURCH

Body Borne by Eight Foremen From Willamette Iron Works.

In the presence of a large concourse of friends and former associates, representing almost every walk of life in the city, the funeral of the late William Harrison Corbett, president of the Willamette Iron & Steel works, who died yesterday, was held at Trinity Episcopal church at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Dr. A. A. Morrison, rector of Trinity parish, read the impressive burial services of the Episcopal church. The body was borne by eight pallbearers selected from among the foremen of the various departments of the Willamette Iron & Steel Co. These active pallbearers were Charles Mack, George Dierking, R. F. Strauss, Pete Skoberg, Harry Turner, William Casey, J. Otte and S. Pope. The following were selected from among Mr. Corbett's personal friends to act as honorary pallbearers: C. F. Swigert, William Brewster, Frank Hart, Morris H. Insley, William MacMaster, E. C. Grell, Major H. C. Cabell and Albion Gile.

At the conclusion of the services at the church the body, accompanied only by members of the immediate family, was taken to the Portland crematorium.

## EMPLOYING PRINTERS TO MEET TOMORROW

The first Pacific Coast Coast Congress of employing printers will open in the convention hall in the Portland Commercial club tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. Several delegations from Pacific coast cities and many cities as far east as Salt Lake, Utah, arrived today. The coast congress will be in session Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Two hundred and fifty delegates are expected to be present. The delegation from San Francisco is coming in a special car over the Southern Pacific. The principal speakers will be from the eastern states.

C. A. Whitmore, president, and R. E. Morrell, secretary of the congress, are its founders. The delegates are from the Irwin-Hodson Printing company, and Mr. Morrell is with the Kilham Stationery & Printing company. They are bringing printers of coast states together to form a permanent organization.

The congress will take up the cost of materials and of labor. Delegates will discuss means of obtaining lower prices.

## BAD MAN BREAKS FROM COLFAX JAIL

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Colfax, Wash., Feb. 21.—One of the quickest and smoothest jail breakers in the history of Whitman county was made by John W. Burns, confessed burglar, who shot down Dining Car Conductor D. L. Reader of Portland at Lewiston Junction last Tuesday.

Burns conspired with a brick wall to help him dig through the brick wall in the corridor of the jail, using a knife and a can opener. The opening was less than a foot square and luckily came between the iron grates in the wall.

It is said Burns had planned to kill Deputy Sheriff William Cole as he entered the jail to lock them up for the night. He was planning to use a brick wrapped in his coat sleeve. The prisoners would not stand for the attack on Cole and as a compromise helped him through the wall. Every effort so far has failed to give even a trace of Burns, who made his escape about 7 o'clock last night.

Burns was arrested at Riparia Tuesday after shooting Reader in a dining car. Burns in a confession said he was hungry and that Reader came in on the train while he was in the pantry. He shot through a door, the bullet striking Reader below the heart.

Reader is at Walla Walla, very low. Every deputy sheriff and police officer in the county has been called out and every road in the vicinity of Colfax is being guarded.

## COUNTY GRAND JURY SESSION IS OPENED

The county grand jury, which reported to the district attorney at 2 o'clock this afternoon, took up cases of minor importance. Reports on at least two of these cases are expected later this afternoon, tomorrow being a legal holiday, the investigators will not work. Later in the week the jury will take up the case of the three men accused of robbing the Diamond Palace on Washington street, last week. The jury will also investigate complaints that the Portland Railway, Light & Power company uses "bad order" street cars. The collision at East Water street and Hawthorne avenue, which resulted in the death of Byron F. Boone, will be gone over by the jurors.

**BILL UNINTENTIONALLY ALTERED BY TYPIST**  
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Salem, Or., Feb. 21.—Governor West has discovered that senate bill 225 was altered, most probably unintentionally, in enrolling so that it excludes train dispatchers from its operation. The bill is one prescribing a 14 hour limit for the continual employment of railroad men. There is a clause in the bill where the typlist could easily have jumped from one to another in copying without impairing the purpose of the act otherwise than that of excluding from its operation train dispatchers. This was undoubtedly the manner in which the alteration was made.

## ELKS HAVE ONLY FOUR MORE DAYS TO LINE UP FUND

Committeemen Say Three Fourths of the \$125,000 Has Been Subscribed; More Than \$3000 Yesterday.

Four good working days are left of the Elks' campaign to raise a \$125,000 entertainment fund for the 1912 grand lodge. About three-fourths of the total has been either subscribed or promised, the committeemen say. Business parties are expected to give the remainder this week. When the general convention committee meets Saturday evening and goes over the work of 10 days, its members hope to finish over the country to every lodge. "We have the entertainment fund, now boost for Portland for the grand lodge in 1912."

Leaders of the convention campaign appealed today to business interests for support in these last days of the effort. The entire fund, they said, is not at all assured and no contributions should be withheld because of the impression that the amount will not be needed. The certainty that the grand lodge of Elks can be induced to come to Portland next year, provided proper preparation is made, has served as stimulus for augmented activity on the part of the committees on solicitation. All the Elks and all their friends are anxious that Portland should not lose the great prize which the national B. P. O. E. convention is conceded to be.

Treasurer Van Schuyver yesterday evening received reports of subscriptions during the day that totaled more than \$3000. The total amount of pledges outside the \$25,000 Elks subscription is now in the neighborhood of \$30,000. The new subscriptions are:

Soule Graves Co.	\$20.00
H. Sinshelmer	100.00
Bush & Lane Piano Co.	20.00
Leislering Music House	150.00
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Sherman, Clay & Co.	100.00
Graves Music Co.	40.00
Hoyden Piano Co.	10.00
Wiley B. Co.	25.00
Red-French Piano Mfg. Co.	25.00
Cote Piano Mfg. Co.	20.00
J. H. Lang	25.00
Sidney & Lathrop	10.00
J. N. Blair	25.00
L. R. Bailey	10.00
Morgan, Fildner & Boyce	100.00
E. A. Helman	5.00
E. A. Stephens	5.00
Monroe Goldstein	25.00
McCants Stewart	25.00
Charles Jacobson	25.00
Lawyers Abstract & T. Co.	25.00
R. E. Smith	10.00
Kettenbach	10.00
Leo J. Schacht	10.00
Mt. Scott Cemetery Co.	50.00
W. J. Cole	5.00
German Metzger	25.00
Baltimore Lumber Co.	45.00
Castilian Grille	50.00
E. House Co.	50.00
H. L. Thompson	10.00
B. H. Moor	30.00
W. R. Johnson	30.00
W. H. Donahoe	30.00
Royal Bakery & Confectionery	150.00
E. E. Egan	10.00
Oregonian Restaurant	30.00
L. E. Juston	100.00
Leard & Fitzger	30.00
The Hof Brauery	30.00
John E. Meister	35.00
Peerless Cafeteria Co.	75.00
Emil Schacht	30.00
Gruber & Zadow	30.00
L. J. Shell	5.00
Concordia Fire Insurance Co.	20.00
H. A. Pills	15.00
Ed Schmidt	50.00
Blunden & Greenberg	50.00
Friberg Brothers	25.00
F. Jones	25.00
M. E. Freeman	25.00
F. E. Manchester, Lyle, Wash.	25.00
R. L. Ray	25.00
H. J. Moberg	25.00
Bay Bros.	50.00
L. Henriksen & Co.	75.00
F. Abendroth	50.00
F. Friedlander	100.00
G. Heitkemper Co.	100.00
Henry F. Weinstein Co.	25.00
Butterfield Bros.	25.00
L. W. Benns Co.	30.00
Sinclair & Boss	60.00
H. J. P. Co.	50.00
A. C. Feldenhelmer	125.00
Mrs. T. Grossman	30.00
Fred D. Flora	5.00
Henry F. Weinstein Co.	25.00
Marx & Bloch	50.00
Jaeger Bros.	50.00
S. Mendelson & Co.	25.00
W. J. P. Co.	25.00
E. W. Spencer	20.00
Edmond Hotel	20.00
Paul Van-Fridagh	25.00
Total	\$5,265

Treasurer Van Schuyver said today that he would like the committee of solicitation to report pages as promptly as possible as this helps in keeping the records of the campaign in business-like form.

## SEATTLE IS NOMINATING COUNCIL CANDIDATES

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Seattle, Feb. 21.—With 55 candidates in full the citizens are today choosing by primary election 18 candidates, nine of whom will be later elected to the city council. Every member of the present council that served under Mayor Gill is seeking a return, but chances that more than two will be successful are considered slim.

During the past few days the women voters have been holding quiz congresses, requiring candidates at the meetings to answer questions regarding their fitness. Fine weather today promises a heavy turnout of the women, who, it is admitted, will decide the election.

## Way Down South in the Land of Cotton

The South may well lay claim to the title, "Land of Cotton." There nearly fourteen million bales of cotton are produced each year, out of a total world crop of twenty million bales. The production of cotton oil shows up even more favorably. The choicest cotton oil goes into the manufacture of Cottolene, which has won favor not only on its merits as a frying and shortening medium, but because of its purity and wholesomeness. Cottolene is as wholesome and genuine as the far-famed hospitality of the "Sunny South."

## THESE ACCUSED OF GATHERING GRAFT

Policemen at Seattle Must Tell Grand Jury What They Know of Old Regime.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Seattle, Feb. 21.—The secret session of the grand jury that is investigating the charges of corruption and graft in the police department under former Chief Wapenstein has had several prominent saloonkeepers before it, and it is said that Gideon Tupper, saloonkeeper, will be permitted to leave the city. Tupper is ill and wants to go to Hot Springs, Ark. for treatment. Tupper is said to have been an officer of the Northern club, a big gambling enterprise that flourished here last spring, when Gill was mayor. The number of policemen have been called before the grand jury, and it is said they are accused of having collected the regular weekly tribute from the unfortunates below the dead line, and to have turned it over to their superiors.

Chief of Police Claude W. Bannick, who was a police captain under Wapenstein, was before the grand jury today.

## AGED MAN LOSES WAY WHILE HUNTING WIFE

Since 11 o'clock Saturday morning, Robert Friend, 82 years of age, has been missing. He is supposed to be looking for his wife, who he had hired by G. O. Hunter, Gray's crossing, whose telephone number is Tabor 1471.

Several days ago the old man wandered away from the poor farm and started to walk to town. Automobiles who passed him took pity upon him, for he limped painfully. They took him in the machine with them and carried him to the office of the Associated Charities. He said that he was looking for his wife, Caroline Friend.

He was given a room in the National hotel awaiting an opportunity to return to the poor farm. Saturday morning he wandered away from the hotel. He is about 6 feet in height, rather slender, wears a last beard and has gray hair. When last seen he wore a blue suit of clothes and a soft, light colored hat.

Mr. Hunter and neighbors are planning to get a home for the old people.

## OREGON TRUNK LAYS TRACKS TO METOLIUS

President John F. Stevens of the Oregon Trunk Line stated this morning that the tracklaying crews reached Metolius this morning and are now pushing on towards Crooked River where the work will be delayed until the completion of the high bridge over the chasm. This bridge will be 360 feet long and 350 feet high from the water level to the tracks. It will be one of the highest railway bridges in the world.

In 10 days the tracks will have been laid through the Cornelius Pass tunnel on the Oregon Trunk and immediately thereafter ballasting of the track beyond the tunnel will be started. This would have been done before but for the fact that the tunnel affords a much easier haul than the snow-free line around the mountain. The gravel has to be hauled from the east side of the hills. The line will be pushed on to Banks as rapidly as possible.

## GAG RULE IS CANNON RULE LIKE THE REST

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Washington, Feb. 21.—Democratic jubilation over the "gag rule" in the house ended today when it was realized that Speaker Cannon held the high hand. Although the rules can be suspended by a two thirds vote, Cannon need not recognize any one seeking a suspension.

## SPEED TAPE CATCHES MANY MOTORCYCLES

Motorcycles are falling into the trap set by Policemen Trout and Lyon at Union avenue near Going street. A tape measure, a stop watch and a tabulated card are part of the trap. H. L. Hughes, who boasted that he was the first man to introduce motorcycles on the messenger force, was captured by the two trappers at 4:45 yesterday afternoon. He was going 30 miles an hour when stopped. He pleaded guilty this morning and was fined \$10. J. S. Barnett, telephone repairman, was going 22 miles an hour in the same vicinity. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$10, but sentence was suspended. Steve Smith, charged with speeding, was fined \$10 for that offense and \$10 for not having a license. C. J. Moss was fined \$25 and sentence suspended, and C. A. Arne, driver for E. E. Lytle, will have to explain later to Judge Tazewell.

Two well known Portland physicians in an auto, Dr. C. H. Wheeler and Dr. J. W. Morrow, ran into the same trap last night and had difficulty in getting the officers to let them go. Each physician was speeding far beyond the limits. Both pleaded that they were on hurry calls and must not be delayed. Both officers yielded and the physicians sped away, while Trout and Lyons stared at each other and wondered.

## Special Ambassador

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## MAY CHECKMATE DIMICK'S PLANS

P. R., L. & P. Co. Seeks to Evade Payment of Taxes to Oregon City?

The Portland Railway, Light & Power company has a plan "up its sleeve" to escape paying into the Oregon City treasury taxes on property worth several millions located just outside of the municipal limits and which the city proposes to take into its corporate boundaries. Just what the plan is the company is not disclosing, but apparently the only resource is to try out the new law giving Oregon City the power to enlarge its boundaries, in the courts.

Senator Dimick of Oregon City, introduced into the legislature and succeeded in passing during the late session a bill defining a new method by which cities may enlarge their boundaries. This consists in obtaining a petition signed by one fifth of the legal voters asking for a special election. Under this law the council is required to order the election and if a majority of the electors of the city and residents of the territory which it is proposed to annex favor the proposal the territory in question becomes a part of the city.

When the bill passed both houses, Senator Dimick thought he had played a game with the railway company as an unsuspecting victim. If the latter's property is taken into Oregon City, it will be required to pay something like \$20,000 a year in additional taxes and the paper mills would pay nearly as much more. Oregon City furnishes city water and fire protection to the railway company's property and mills and believes that their lands ought to be included in the city limits and municipal taxes paid. Some time ago an effort was made to do this through the courts, but it failed.

Robert Townsend of the counsel for the railway company, who was at the statehouse during the entire session, denied after the bill passed that the company did not know its intention, despite the fact that the purpose did not appear on the surface. He declared that the company was not worrying about the matter and implied that there was a means of nullifying the effect. Just what this recourse was he would not state, but other attorneys who examined the bill declared that there might be some question as to whether the law would hold in the courts.

**Garland Found Guilty.** (Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Seattle, Wash., Feb. 21.—W. H. Garland, the Seattle-Portland promoter, was yesterday found guilty of grand larceny for selling \$1000 worth of alleged worthless stock to a Seattle citizen.

## IT IS NOT YET NOON SATURDAY, FEB. 18; SEE LEGISLATIVE CLOCK

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Salem, Or., Feb. 21.—From legislative standpoint it is not yet 12 o'clock noon Saturday, February 18, and the senate and house of representatives of the twenty-sixth Oregon legislature has not yet adjourned. As evidence to this fact, President Ben Selling of the senate arrived at the capitol this afternoon and signed some bills which he had not signed before departing for Portland Sunday, for the reason they had not yet been enrolled. The president and speaker both have signed bills this week, and they must be signed before the legislature has adjourned.

President Selling also is in Salem this afternoon to assist the authorities in untangling the difficulty that has arisen between the senate clerks regarding the preparation of the senate journal.

## COMPANY SHOWS HEAT EARNINGS

P. R., L. & P. Co.'s Profit for Last Quarter \$403,463.07 —Phone Co.'s Report.

The quarterly report of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company was filed in the office of the city auditor this morning. It shows that the total operating revenue for the quarter was \$958,514.56, and the total operating expenses \$555,051.49, leaving a profit of \$403,463.07.

The total number of revenue earning passengers carried was 17,245,159. Passengers transferred numbered 4,547,945. Passengers carried free numbered 772,833.

According to the report, the total value of the plant and property of the corporation was \$43,185,713.37. The number of stockholders of the company was 728. The company carried 102,123 tons of freight. The number of miles of track operated over was 252,136.

There are 921 stockholders in the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company according to the quarterly statement of the corporation filed in the city auditor's office today.

Operating revenues of the company during the quarter were \$228,313.26. Operating expenses were \$203,155.01, leaving a profit of \$25,158.25. There are 18,100 poles of the company within the city limits, 74,414 miles of wire and 29,106 telephones.

## MAN EXONERATED BY FIND IN OLD MAIL SACK

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Portland, Feb. 21.—After 10 years, Rev. Charles E. Burdette, brother of the humorist, Robert J. Burdette, enjoyed vindication today from blame in connection with the disappearance of \$3500 in a registered letter sent out by the Pacific postoffice when he was registry clerk.

Burdette resigned his position and studied for the ministry. A few days ago it was decided that a mail sack needed a new bottom. When the cloth was ripped apart the envelope containing the missing \$3500 registered by the late John Cramstock, 30 years ago, was found.

## WILHELMINE IS CHARTERED. German Ship Will Transport Lumber to Delagoa Bay, Africa.

It was reported this morning in shipping circles and on the waterfront that the German ship Wilhelmine had been chartered to transport a cargo of lumber from this port to Delagoa Bay, S. Africa. It is the only spot ship in the harbor, having arrived here February 6 from Antwerp by way of San Pedro, with general cargo for Henry Lund & Co.

Two of the carriers now loading full cargoes of lumber for offshore ports are expected to finish this week. These are the British steamer Queen Alexandra, which is completing her cargo at the Victoria docks for China ports for the Pacific Export Lumber company, and the German ship Wandabek loading at the Linnton mills for the United Kingdom, under charter to the Oregon Pine Export company.

The Queen Alexandra is expected to finish tomorrow with about 8,500 feet of Oregon fir, and the Wandabek will finish tomorrow also if there is success in getting her off the mud early today. She now has aboard 1,900,000 feet of lumber and has only a small amount, which is being stored on a small ridge about two feet wide in front of the dock off the Clark & Wilson mill, and the Port of Portland towboat Ocklahama was sent down this morning to pull her off.

## GET WHITE HANDS GRIMY. Stephens and Blodgett Show How Ship Should Be Coaled.

Tolling diligently and with streams of steam, the two men, Alva Stephens, agent of the Pacific Coast Coal company, and Dudley L. Blodgett, secretary of the Pacific Export Lumber company, showed the coal heavers at the bunkers how to coal the British steamer Queen Alexandra Sunday, according to the story that is going around the waterfront. The story is vouched for by Captain McDonald, master of the steamer.

While the tramp was being bunkered Sunday the agent of the coal company and the secretary of the lumber company, which is furnishing the cargo for the steamer, arrived on the scene. After watching the operations for a few moments both simultaneously shed their coats and, rolling up their sleeves, took shovels and proceeded to show how the job should be done with dispatch. It is said that after a few shovelfuls of coal had been heaved they called the lesson finished and, with panting breaths and swelling chests and muscles, proceeded to done their coats with the same pride illuminating their dingy countenances.

Herbert W. Counter a Suicide. (United Press Leased Wire.)  
Spokane, Feb. 21.—Herbert W. Counter, a former resident of Minneapolis, Minn., and who has been living in Spokane for the past four years, committed suicide at