

BIG BLAZE AT SPOKANE

One Building Burned and Four Lives Lost.

SIX PEOPLE NOT ACCOUNTED FOR

The Building a Complete Wreck—The Property Loss Estimated at Fully \$400,000.

SPOKANE, Jan. 25.—At least four lives are known to have been lost by last night's fire in the Great Eastern block, and it is possible that other dead bodies will be found when a more thorough search of the ruins is made. The building, a six story structure, is a total wreck, and the financial loss is estimated at upward of \$400,000.

All of the upper two floors and part of the third floor were used for lodging purposes, and at least 150 people were asleep in the building when the fire started. While most of them escaped with only their night clothes, it is now known that four lives were lost, and at least six other persons are missing. The dead are:

- Miss Alice Wilson, aged 18.
- Maud Wilson, aged 5.
- Mrs. Rose Smith.
- Mrs. H. G. Davis, of Nebraska City, who died at the hospital this morning from injuries suffered in leaping to the pavement.

Miss C. Lewis, W. B. Gordon, Mrs. C. Peters and three children are missing, and are supposed to have perished.

Firemen are still playing water on the embers of the fire, and it will not be safe to search the ruins for the dead until tomorrow.

The Great Eastern block was built in 1890 at a cost of \$250,000, and was owned by Lewis Levinski, of San Francisco, who carried but \$50,000 insurance.

On the ground floor of the structure were the establishments of the John W. Graham Paper Company, stationery and supplies, and Skerritt & Donnelly, boots and shoes. Both are total losses. Graham carried a stock worth \$60,000, seventy per cent of which was covered by insurance.

The firm of Skerritt & Donnelly had a stock of \$25,000, of which \$20,000 was covered by insurance.

In the offices above these there were large losses on law libraries and fixtures, beside probably a still larger loss of furniture and household goods. The fire was a singularly hot one, and the firemen were long in getting it under control. Even then the flames rose hundreds of feet in the air as long as two hours after it started. All the hose in the department was brought into use, and the stores of the city were called upon for all their supplies.

Because of the net work of live electric wires surrounding the building, it was with the utmost difficulty that the ladders of the department were elevated. While they were going up, the people were at the windows, flames and smoke bursting out about them, shrieking, while crowds of people on the street below shrieked in sympathy with them.

Mrs. Stark Oliver, wife of Dr. Stark Oliver, who lived on the second floor, says she heard an explosion shortly before the flames appeared. The boiler of the engine may have exploded, and caused the fire to start. There is another theory, and that is that the chemicals in the basement, stored there for the photographic supply of the John W. Graham Paper Co., exploded.

Sturgeon hooks, cotton and sisal rope at Maier & Benton's.

'Tis a Grand, Good Remedy
for Itching Piles. Cured me right up. F. M. Smith, 617 Spring street.
The above is a short, crisp testimonial, and an honest one of Garland's "Happy Thought" Salve. 50c. In jars at
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Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.



Mails for the Yukon.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Postmaster-General Gary has issued an advertisement inviting proposals for carrying the mails in safe and suitable steamboats during the season of navigation of 1898 on route No. 78,097, from San Francisco or Seattle, or any other seaport postoffice in California, Oregon or Washington in connection with Unalaska, Alaska, St. Michaels and points along the Yukon river to Circle City, Alaska, or to Dawson City, Canada, if steamers run to that point and back.

The contractor will not be required to carry more than 2000 pounds of mail each way per trip. Proposals will be received until February 23d.

The Day in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—In the house today a bill was passed granting American register to the foreign-built steamer Navajo. The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill.

The house consumed considerable of the afternoon in discussing industrial conditions, the Republicans affirming and the Democrats denying that prosperity has returned.

A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has lame back and weak kidneys, malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the Liver and Kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures constipation, headache, fainting spells, sleeplessness and melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c a bottle at Blakeley & Houghton's drug store.

In the House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The senate, on motion of Hour, went into executive session today as soon as it convened. The doors were opened at 12:15, and Quay secured the passage of a bill to indemnify Pennsylvania for moneys expended in 1864 for militia called into military service by the governor. The indemnity amounted up to \$46,000.

A Pension Decision.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Assistant Secretary Davis, of the interior department, has rendered a decision holding that there is a law providing a pension for widows of soldiers who died of diseases contracted in time of peace prior to March 4, 1861.

How's This?

We offer one hundred dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that can not be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.
F. J. CHENEY & Co. Props., Toledo, O.
We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.
West & Truax, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O., Wadding, Kinman & Marvin, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio.
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Testimonials free. 1-5-9

Griggs was Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The senate has confirmed the nomination of J. W. Griggs, of New Jersey, to be attorney-general.

TUMULT IN THE BELGIAN CHAMBER

Fight Between Socialists and Anti-Socialists.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 25.—Deputy Demblon entered the vestibule of the chamber of deputies this afternoon accompanied by a band of socialists. The officer in command of the guard informed him that in pursuance of the president's order he could not be allowed to enter, whereupon Demblon raised cries of "Vive l'Armie," "Vive l'Republique." A crowd gathered and attempted to rush the soldiers, with the result that there was a scuffle of troops withstanding the mob, with fixed bayonets and a hand-to-hand fight taking place between socialists and anti-socialists. For a time the tumult was indescribable, and a strong body of police was required to quiet the disorder.

Within the chamber the greatest excitement prevailed. The tumult became deafening, and the ministers who attempted to reply were shouted down.

Yellow Jack at Edwards.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Surgeon-General Wyman has received a dispatch dated the 20th inst. from Dr. Stewart at Memphis, stating that the secretary of the Mississippi state board of health has reported one and probably three cases of yellow fever near Edwards, Miss.

McComas was Elected.

ANNAPOLIS, Jan. 25.—McComas has been elected senator. The tenth and last ballot was taken at noon. The vote was as follows: McComas, 62; Gorman, 47; Shaw, 5.

Buckien's Arica salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Blakeley and Houghton, druggists.

SPECIAL SCHOOL MEETING.

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of school district No. 12, of Wasco county, state of Oregon, that a special school meeting of said district will be held at the brick schoolhouse on Court street, on the 28th day of January, 1898, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the following objects: To levy a tax for the ensuing year for school purposes, and to create a sinking fund to pay the bonded indebtedness of said district.

Dated this 17th day of January, 1898.
O. D. DOANE,
Chairman Board Directors.
Geo. P. MORGAN, District Clerk.

Mr. Elisha Berry, of this place says he never had anything do him so much good and give such quick relief from rheumatism as Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He was bothered greatly with shooting pains from hip to knee until he used this liniment, which affords prompt relief. B. F. Baker, druggist, St. Paris, Ohio. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

When you can not sleep for coughing take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It always gives prompt relief. It is most excellent for colds, too, as it aids expectation, relieves the lungs and prevents any tendency toward pneumonia. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

The Rose Queen is the best make on the market for five cents, and when you smoke them your money stays at home. 20-1f

Sheriff's Sale.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of the state of Oregon for the county of Wasco, and to me directed and delivered, upon a judgment and decree rendered and entered in said court on the 8th day of November, 1897, in favor of A. B. Jones, plaintiff, and against R. E. Fowl, defendant, for the sum of two hundred and seventy-six and 25/100 (\$276.25) dollars, together with interest thereon, since May 1, 1896, at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and thirty (\$30) dollars attorney fees, and the further sum of eleven (\$11) dollars costs, which said judgment was enrolled and docketed in the office of the clerk of said court in said county on the 8th day of November, 1897; and whereby it was further ordered and decreed by the Court that the following described property, to-wit:

Beginning at a point in 39 chains west of the line between sections thirty-five and thirty-six, in township three north of range ten east of the Willamette Meridian, being the western terminus of the north boundary line of the James Benson Donation Land Claim, thence north 6.55 chains, thence east 8.85 chains, thence south 6.85 chains, and thence west 8.85 chains to place of beginning, containing six acres, more or less, and being the same premises sold by the said A. B. Jones to the said R. E. Fowl, in Wasco County, Oregon.
To be sold to satisfy said judgment, attorney fees, costs and accruing costs, I will, on Tuesday, the 8th day of February, 1898, at 2 o'clock P. M. of said day, at the front door of the courthouse in Dalles City, Wasco Co., Or., sell all the right, title and interest of the said R. E. Fowl in and to the above described property, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, the proceeds arising from said sale to be applied to the satisfaction of said judgment, attorney's fee, costs and accruing costs, and the surplus, if any there be, to be paid into court, and there to remain until the further order of this court.
T. J. DRIVER,
Sheriff of Wasco County, Or.
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We offer this unequalled newspaper and The Dalles Twice-a-Week Chronicle together one year for \$2.00. The regular price of the two papers is \$3.00.

Sheriff's Sale.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an execution and order of sale, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Wasco County, on the 14th day of December, 1897, upon a decree and judgment rendered therein on the first day of December, 1897, in a suit then and theretofore pending, wherein Northern Counties Investment Trust, Limited, a Corporation, was plaintiff, and Mary J. Smith, James M. Smith, Jr., Elum A. Smith and Clem Smith, were defendants, I did on the 14th day of December, 1897, duly levy upon, and will, on Wednesday, the 19th day of January, 1898, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon of said day at the front door of the county court house in Dalles City, Wasco County, Oregon, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, the following described real estate, to-wit: Lots 5 and 6 in block 3, Laughlin's Addition to The Dalles City, and Lot 2 in Block 2, in Trevitt's Addition to The Dalles City, all in Wasco County, Oregon, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining, or so much thereof as shall be necessary to satisfy and pay the said several sums due to plaintiff mentioned in said writ, to-wit: \$2,365.06, and interest thereon from the first day of December, 1897, at the rate of eight per cent per annum; the further sum of \$28.00 as a reasonable attorney's fee, and the costs and disbursements of said suit, taxed and allowed at \$28.00, together with accruing costs and expenses of such sale.
Dated at Dalles City, Oregon, this 15th day of December, 1897.
T. J. DRIVER,
Sheriff of Wasco County, Oregon.

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Shoes. Shoes. Shoes.

If you are in need of good Shoes at less money than has ever before been placed on the market, now is the time to purchase. We offer the following Reductions for this week.

MENS' SHOES.

Former	Sale
Wine, Box Calf, calf lined, heavy winter shoe	\$5 00 \$3 40
Ox Blood, Coin Toe, Russian Calf	4 50 2 95
Dark Green, Bulldog, Willow Calf	4 50 2 95
Ox Blood, Seal, Coin Toe, heavy sole	3 00 2 30
Black Calf, Square Toe, Cap, lace and congress	4 50 3 45
Kangaroo, Narrow Square Toe, Cap, Dress Shoe, lace and congress	4 00 3 05
Calf, Square Toe, Cap, lace and congress	3 00 2 25
Satin Calf, Plain Square Toe, lace and congress	2 50 1 85
Satin Calf, Coin Toe, lace and congress	2 50 1 85
Satin Calf, Plain Toe, Tap Sole, lace and congress	2 25 1 45

BOYS' and YOUTHS' SHOES

Glove Grain, Bal., medium heavy	1 75	1 35
Grain, Narrow Square, Tap Sole	1 50	1 15
Youths Glove Grain, medium heavy	1 50	1 20
Youths Grain, Narrow Square, Tap Sole	1 25	1 10

LADIES' SPECIAL. See Our Bargain Table.

Cleaning up of old style \$3, \$4, and \$5 Turns and Welts, very finest and best quality, to go at

\$1.00

Lace, Dark Green, Box Calf, Welt, Coin Toe	4 00	2 60
Lace, Dark Green, Kid, Welt, Coin Toe	4 00	2 60
Lace, Ox Blood Russia Calf, Welt, Coin Toe	3 50	2 40
Lace, Ox Blood Russia Calf, McKay, Coin Toe	3 00	2 10
Lace and Button, Black Kid, Welt, Coin Toe, patent tip	2 75	1 95
Button, Plain, Common Sense Toe	2 50	1 70
Lace and Button, Coin Toe, Patent Tip	2 00	1 55
Lace, Box Calf, Bulldog, Heavy Welt Sole	4 00	2 95
Lace and Button, Spring Heel, Coin Toe, Patent Tip	1 50	1 30

MISSES' SHOES. Sizes 1 1/2 to 2.

Kid, Button, Coin Toe, Patent Tip	1 25	1 00
Grain, Button, Common Sense Toe, stock tip	1 25	95
Kangaroo Calf, Coin Toe, Patent Tip, school shoe	1 45	1 10
Fine Kid, Cloth Top, Square Toe, Patent Tip	1 90	1 40
Fine Kid, Kid Top, Square Toe, Patent Tip	1 90	1 40

CHILDRENS' SHOES.

Kangaroo Calf, Button, Coin Toe, Patent Tip, 5 to 8	1 00	65
Kid, Button, Coin Toe, Patent Tip, 8 to 11	1 00	75
Kangaroo Calf, Com. Sense Toe, stock tip, school shoe, 8-11	1 15	85
Cloth and Kid Top, Button, Square Toe, Pat. Tip, dress shoe	1 50	1 15

This list does not cover all discounts on Shoe Sale, as we have specials on most every line in stock.

Also specials previously offered, on this Clearance Sale still continues. As we must reduce stock so as to make room for new goods, now being purchased by our two representatives in New York.

We wish to call the attention to Lady customers that on Saturday next, from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., we will place on sale at a great Reduction something to their interest. See advertisement later.

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