

**LOOKING BACKWARD**

(From The Chronicle, April 1, 1896.)  
The work of excavating for A. M. Williams & company's new building was suspended today, owing to the old Jacobsen building not yet removed. Some blasting will have to be done, and while the old building remains it cannot be done.

The Umatilla house has discharged its Chinese cooks and employed in place of them some imported chefs. These are Mr. Carl Wagner, formerly of Chlburg's restaurant, Tacoma, and Albert Bergen, of the New Westminster, Los Angeles.

The weather of the last few days has not been cold enough to destroy the fruit buds, and unless something unusual in that line happens, there will be a tremendous output of fruit in Wasco county. Mr. P. J. Stadelman says there will be a profitable demand for good fruit the coming season, and Mr. Schanno, speaking upon the subject, says that Alaska will from this on furnish a constantly growing market for fruit, especially winter apples.

Mr. W. G. Kerns returned from the Wapinitia country today, and confirms all previous reports as to the celerity of work on the McCoy ditch. A feeling of security is now apparent among all, caused from seeing a large force of men daily pushing the work. Mr. Ehrichsen, the contractor, is yet firm in his prediction that the work will be finished in 90 days, and the work as progressing now certainly warrants the belief. This ditch when completed, will open a large and valuable stretch of country to agriculture and horticulture, which will quadruple in value when under water.

Mr. Kerns also reports there is shortly to be erected near Wapinitia a sawmill of 20,000 daily capacity. It is to be erected on the Mac D. Lewis place.

Mrs. J. P. Stewart, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Myers for several years, went to Portland for a few weeks, where she will visit her son.

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**SPECIAL POLICE TO GUARD VALUABLE ORE EXHIBITS**

By United Press  
PORTLAND, April 1.—The city has granted a special detail of police to guard the enormously valuable specimens of gold and platinum nuggets, bullion and ores carrying free gold that will be brought to the third annual International Mining convention at Portland, April 6 to 9, principally from Josephine county, Oregon, British Columbia and Alaska.

The city is preparing to make the convention the greatest of its kind ever held.

**To Teachers and School Patrons of Wasco County**

Following the custom inaugurated by the county school superintendent some years ago, of holding the annual county school picnic at the Tygh Valley fair grounds; we, the teachers of the Tygh Valley school, wish to announce that our annual picnic will be held at Tygh Valley, Saturday, April 16. All of the teachers, pupils and school patrons of Wasco county are cordially invited to attend; everybody bring the well-filled basket and have a good time with us at the Tygh Valley fair grounds, April 16th.

To make our picnic more interesting a competitive field and track meet

for the pupils of Wasco county, will be held the same day. Superintendent A. E. Gronewald has sent a program to all the teachers of Wasco county and by this time the pupils of the different schools are practicing the various events. In order to give us a chance to have the field fully prepared, it is requested that principals and teachers send Mr. Nedry a list of the pupils to take part as well as the event in which each is listed, some time before April 9. In order to give the rural schools a better showing, any pupil who has attended the school at any time during the school year, whether he is present attending or has dropped out, will be allowed to represent his school.

A short literary program will precede the field meet. Mr. Blanchard will have charge of this part of the program and all teachers interested please get in touch with him in the near future.

H. S. NEDRY,  
J. F. BLANCHARD,  
BEULAH B. BLANCHARD.

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**\$100,000 SMUGGLING ATTEMPT IS NIPPED**

By United News  
NEW YORK, April 1.—Hundreds of tiny phials of cocaine and heroin concealed in walnut shells and diamonds,

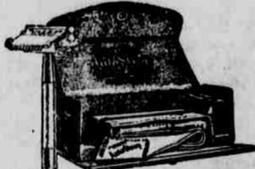
algrettes, paradise feathers and bunches of gold watches hidden in false bottoms of trunks and suit cases were confiscated from Dominick Conti, according to customs officials, when Conti, a second cabin passenger on the Presidente Wilson, attempted to go ashore with his luggage after declaring he had nothing dutiable. Altogether the drugs, diamonds, feathers and watches are worth \$100,000, customs men say. In a money belt around Conti's waist the inspectors said they found 120 additional phials of cocaine.

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**To The Public:**

I have taken charge of the City Market formerly operated by A. S. Milne and more recently by Leo F. Brune. The market will be known as Taylor's City Market. With the efficient help of Messrs. Gene Chrisman, Phillip Kaseberger and Edwin Halfpap, I will try to maintain first class service, selling the best quality of meats at as low a price as possible.

I will continue to operate the People's Market at Third and Union streets with the help of Messrs. George Penny and Fred Dutton. All patrons of the People's Market will receive the same attention and service as in the past.

The two markets will be operated as separate institutions, all charge accounts to be handled at the market where contracted.

With two markets I will be able to give the public a better service, the volume of business permitting me to buy at more advantageous prices in the wholesale market. This saving will be passed on to my customers.

I thank the people of The Dalles for their past patronage and earnestly desire their trade in the future.

**ROY F. TAYLOR**