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The Great Northern railway will reduce passenger fares in Washington, on and after July 1, to three cents a mile. They are four cents a mile at present.

Since January 1, of the present year, John D. Rockefeller has received in dividends on Standard Oil stocks \$24,000,000 in cash. This sum will doubtless cover the cost of every bit of property the Standard Oil company owns except that form of property which is not the product of either the hand of labor or of capital.

The San Francisco Wave is advocating Irving M. Scott, of Union Iron Works fame, for vice-president on the republican ticket. Mr. Scott's main resume for the office is that the company of which he is the head, built the battleship Oregon and would like to have the privilege of building a few more such vessels for the navy.

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Philadelphia he stopped over in Washington and paid his respects to President McKinley to whom he said, that he would draw away enough votes from Bryan to re-elect McKinley. There are further evidences of there being an understanding between the middle-of-the-road leaders and the republican managers.

HOW THE CHINESE FIGHT A FIRE. The Chicago fire department and Chief Swain are all well enough in their way, but compared with some fire-fighting organizations in many parts of the world, they are easily lacking in many of the qualities that add picturesque details to a good, warm blaze.

They do things differently in China. A Chinese fire brigade is the most gorgeous pageant imaginable, and the way its members go about the work of fighting a fire is worth the telling.

Long Kong with its cosmopolitan population and its strange combination of palatial stone structures and flimsy, top-heavy frame buildings, is peculiarly susceptible to great conflagrations. And in addition there are dangers that confront firemen there which are unknown elsewhere.

But outside all these are the "fire tongs" of the Chinese population—great, lustrous, glittering articles of silk and lacquer that add the element of exotic opera to every Hong Kong fire. There are five of these tongs, with a total membership numbering nearly 14,000. Each is distinguished from the others by the uniform of its members.

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The chief of one of these picturesque mobs is generally a well-to-do Chinese merchant. When he hears of alarm of fire he proceeds to make his fire tongs, an operation that takes several minutes. Then, calling for his chair coolies, he is carried impressively to the scene of the fire. It generally happens that it is under control when he gets there, a condition of affairs that he treats with sublime indifference, and he finds a few thousand of the members of his brigade being roundly censured for blocking the road by the "foreign devils" who are working.

The jubbering and "yayah" increase to a continuous yell. Then the reprobated silk peddler who keeps order at Hong Kong, Hoo, and who have the ornate Indian lantern of the Chinese, begin to make things interesting. They mix in among them, clutch them with the butt ends of the old-fashioned muskets they carry and pour like Trojans to keep the place clear for the whites. Meaningless blazes are put out and eventually the Chinese brigades gradually disappear.

Each member of a brigade pays five cents a month. For this he is visited by his fire-drivers when he is sick, and when he dies, with a complete disregard for the cruel hint conveyed, the organization accompanies his body to the grave—with ladders, tom-toms, hoes and all their fire-fighting apparatus, and makes a brave, if suggestive showing.



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- CONGRESSMAN, SECOND DISTRICT: State Senator Wm. C. Smith.
- JOINT LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVE (Umatilla and Morrow Counties): J. A. Woolery.
- SUPREME JUDGE: Thos. G. Greene.
- FOOD AND DAIRY COMMISSIONER: W. Schumacher.
- SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT TICKET: A. D. Sullivan, District Attorney; T. G. Hatley, Clerk.
- COUNTY TICKET: REPRESENTATIVES: W. J. Chastain, M. O'Brien; COUNTY JUDGE: George A. Hartman; COUNTY COMMISSIONER: Thomas F. Page; SHERIFF: W. M. Haskley; CLERK: W. D. Chamberlain; TREASURER: George D. Poesler; RECORDER OF CONVEYANCES: James W. Maloney; ASSESSOR: E. B. Hall; SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT: M. L. White; SURVEYOR: Charles C. Berkeley; CORONER: Dr. W. R. Campbell; JUSTICE AND CONSTABLE (Pendleton District): Geo. F. Rosenberg, John M. Bentley.

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- PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS: W. J. Parrish, Timon Ford, C. F. Payton, J. C. Feltner.
- CONGRESSMAN, SECOND DISTRICT: Malcolm A. Moody.
- FOOD AND DAIRY COMMISSIONER: J. R. Bailey.
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- PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS: N. A. Davis, C. F. Mills, F. J. Spaulding.
- CONGRESSMAN, SECOND DISTRICT: J. C. Bright.
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