GENERAL NEWS.

In the United States 40,000 locomotives haul 1,500,000 cars.

Europe had its first railway in 1825, America two years later.

In San Francisco the per capita yearly receipts of street railway companies is $13.83.

The forest fires in the Adirondack mountains are under control, but rains are needed to put them out.

About 620,000,000 cross ties are now laid on American railroads, and 90,000,000 new ties are required annually for renewals.

London reports are that J. P. Morgan is hard at work trying to revive his underground railway scheme there in rival to Yerkes.

Mrs. Collis P. Huntington has pensioned for life Lizzie Connel, her servant, who was shot by Daniel Harkins, her gardener, some months ago.

Two more railroads, the Lackawanna and the Erie, have applied for permission to build a tunnel under the Hudson river to New York.

Lightning struck a police station in Williamsburg, N. Y., last night, stunning 11 officers. Policeman Gorley was seriously injured.

W. B. Carleton and W. O. Rowley, president nad treasurer of the defunct North American Realty Company of Newark, N. J., have been convicted of fraud.

Father Barnhard Claus, Roman Catholic priest at Columbia, Ill., was stricken with apoplexy last night and fell with a lamp. His body was badly burned.

"The Gordian Knot," a problem play by Claude Lowther, member of the British parliament, was produced by Beerbohm Tree in London last night, but was a dismal failure.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST NEWS.

A free rural mail route is to be established at Oregon City June 1.

The Portland Lumber combine is to be sued for damages for restricting trade.

The annual commencement at Whitman College will take place June 4-10.

Workmen at Walla Walla unearthed a skull Saturday in excavating, which resembles a wild boar's head.

Mrs. Lizzie C. Howell, of Oregon City, has been elected president of the state Rebekah encampment.

The Seventh Day Adventists of Western Oregon are gathering at Salem for a camp meeting to begin on May 28.

The Canadian Pacific has completed the work of building temporary tracks around the great slide at Frank, N. W. T.

A beet sugar factory will be built at Prosser, Wash., a company having organized with a capital stock of $30,000 for that purpose.

Roderick Cameron and John McConnell were drowned in the Pelly river last week in attempting to descend to the Yukon. This makes nine drowned this spring on the northern trail.

A. J. Brojack, a Northern Pacific fireman of Olympia, was killed Sunday by being struck by a passing train. He leaned too far out of his cab window and was hit by the light on the caboose.

Rev. Elvert L. Jones, aged 19, of Albany, Or., has gone to Tacoma to take charge of the Evangelical church in that city. He is the youngest minister on the Pacific Coast, and has preached since he was 17 years old.

Robert Stickney, an ex-minister, has been arrested in Helena, Mont., for luring three young girls into houses of ill repute.

E. G. Cox, a local contractor, has secured the contract for building the new Walla Walla high school building to cost $32,000.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Hotel Pendleton.

Edwin J. Burke, Hartford.
A. J. Luckner, Spokane.
R. H. Caston, Spokane.
A. G. Howard, Spokane.
W. E. Woods, Moro.
J. G. Woods, Moro.
J. L. Ray, Yena.
Ed Blackburn, Yena.
J. F. Donelly, Baker City.
F. C. Harback, Salt Lake.
A. Wyland, Portland.
A. G. McIntosh, Orford.
J. S. Wilson, Kansas City.
W. H. Brooks, Pendleton.
Charles Holman, Portland.
Miss Clark, Spokane.
C. B. Lehman, Portland.
J. G. Conrad, Chicago.
Louis Hunziker, city.
A. S. Drumheller, Spokane.
F. R. Whitcombe, city.
Stephen B. L. Penrose, Whitman.
S. A. Reystone, San Francisco.
W. D. Chamberlain, city.
W. C. McBride, Portland.
F. A. Menziers, Portland.
B. M. Cummings, Eugene.
H. Malloch, San Francisco.
A. R. Jacobs, Portland.
A. H. Matthewson and wife, San Francisco.
F. B. Kay, Salem.
Mrs. J. A. Churchill, Baker City.
Mrs. S. F. McIlvy, Kansas City.
T. M. Elmendorf, San Francisco.
A. Roderick Grant, Portland.
E. E. Dirkey, Portland.
S. B. L. Penrose, Walla Walla.
E. M. Rambo, Vancouver.
J. M. Sutton, New York.
E. H. Clark, city.
George Stevens, Spokane.
W. R. Glendenning, Portland.
R. A. Seeds, Spokane.
I. L. Ray, city.

Golden Rule Hotel.

J. J. Worcester, city.
R. Morrison, Walla Walla.
Ira McBirney, Boise.
H. Grubb, Boise.
R. L. McClure, city.
J. D. Wood, Salt Lake.
R. J. McLean, Salt Lake.
O. C. Wright, Sumpter.
S. E. Hahn, Spokane.
M. M. English, Spokane.
G. H. Green, Chicago.
V. I. Shaw, La Grande.
John Shaw, La Grande.
Mrs. Miller, city.
A. H. Chambers, Olympia.
Ed C. Allen, Portland.
W. P. Freeman, Fairburg.
T. W. Lusk, La Grande.
J. C. Wood, La Grande.
T. K. Beard, Modesto.
C. C. Simpson, Spokane.
S. A. Frans, Spokane.
G. D. Galley, Portland.
Ed Sheppard, Baker City.
T. W. Jackson, Spokane.
J. H. Leran, Dayton.
C. J. Hanscom, Portland.
C. L. Thornton, Portland.
W. W. Bristow, McMinnville.
J. Hanscom, McMinnville.
S. E. Hanscom, McMinnville.
L. A. Hanscom, McMinnville.
W. Remington, Canyon City.
B. A. Marquis and wife, Adams.
Eliza Morrison, Adams.
E. V. Scott, Kamloups, B. C.
E. M. Gongner, Columbus.
C. L. Gongner, Columbus.
F. R. Gongner, Columbus.
D. C. Gongner, Columbus.
Mrs. Charles Hickinson, Columbus.
S. C. Hickinson, Columbus.
D. A. Hickinson, Columbus.
J. T. Johnson, Heppner.
Miss M. McCubbin, Heppner.
J. N. Scott, Pullman.
Louis Olson, Pullman.
Doug Glenn, city.
A. C. Russell and wife, Denver.
L. Wilson, Denver.
B. L. Sheridan, Echo.
Annie, Sheridan, Echo.
F. J. Gardner, Portland.
O. G. Cates, Baker City.
P. Carrell, Baker City.
F. L. Cundiff, Richland.
H. P. Rolfe, Walla Walla.
Charles Carson, Baker City.

DROWNED AT WALLA WALLA.

Son of Professor Schnepper Meets With Fatal Accident at College Place.

Walla Walla, May 25.—Hugo Schnepper, 14-year-old son of Hugo Schnepper, professor of German and a member of the faculty of the Walla Walla college, was drowned before the eyes of several companions in Garrison creek yesterday afternoon at a point several hundred yards south Young Schnepper and several other of College Place.
boys from College Place were enjoying the first swim of the season, when suddenly the unfortunate lad was observed to sink below the surface. Becoming frightened the other boys made an effort to reach him with branches of trees but were unsuccessful.

The pool was about 10 feet deep, and neighbors who were immediately summoned had considerable difficulty in raising the body to the surface. Dr. Stiles was called from town and made an effort to resuscitate the lad.

The boy's parents were at Pendleton at the time of the drowning, returning home last night. No funeral arrangements as yet have been made. Coroner Smith was undecided this afternoon whether to hold an inquest or not.

Caledonian Souvenir.

The Walla Walla Caledonian Society yesterday received 500 medallion badges to be sold at 25 cents each, to serve as a basis to the games and picnic to be held at Singleton's grove Thursday, May 28. The medallion is about the size of a silver dollar, on the front side of which is a thistle wrought in the metal, surrounded by the name of the society.

Speakers at Emersan Centennial.

New York, May 25.—One of the most notable of the many functions to be held throughout the country this week in celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Ralph Waldo Emerson, will be the commemoration dinner to be held by the Society of the American Authors this evening at the Waldorf-Astoria. The speakers include Col. Henry Watterson, Chancellor MacCracken, President Schurman, of Cornell University, and Dr. William T. Harris, United States commissioner of education.

RAILROAD TO BURNS

LINE FROM SUMPTER MAY EXTEND SOUTH.

Major Bonta, of Philadelphia, Has Two Parties of Surveyors in the Field—Bonds for New Corporation Floated in the East.

E. E. Cleaver, auditor of the Standard Consolidated Company of Quartzburg, and E. A. Hutchins, mining and electrical engineer, in the employ of Major J. W. Bonta of Philadelphia, were in the city last Friday on business, says the Grant County News.

Mr. Hutchins was contracting for supplies for a third crew of surveyors to be put in the field this week, for the purpose of rushing the work of survey on the electric road from Baker City to Prairie City. Two crews have been in the field for several weeks, but as the survey had to be completed by a certain date, it was necessary to secure the services of a third crew.

The bonds of the company, amounting to $2,000,000 were floated in the East by Major Bonta last winter. It is reported that Sumpter capitalists offered to take up $250,000 of the bonds after Major Bonta's return, but the money having already been raised, the offer was refused. Although the objective point of the electric road is Prairie City, it is thought that it will eventually be extended to Burns. A delegation of business men from Burns has been selected to consult with Major Bonta in regard to the extension of the line to Burns.

Engineer Hutchins stated to a News representative that on January 1, 1904, the road would be completed to Prairie City. The rails have been ordered in Europe and will arrive in Portland on the first of August. It was necessary to place this order in Europe as the factories in this country could not supply them for at least two years. All of the rolling stock has been ordered in the East and will arrive here during the month of August.

Major Bonta's company own the Oregon Wonder and Will Cleaver group of claims on Strawberry mountain.

SWINDLER HELD.

Bogus Government Agent in the Toils of the Law.

Baker City, May 25.—E. W. Bates, U. S. G., the bogus government agent, was bound over for trial by Judge Travillion yesterday in bonds of $500. In default of the security Bates remains in jail.

Instances where Bates secured money from people on various fraudulent pretexts continue to be disclosed. His principal graft in this vicinity appears to have been to promise men jobs on survey parties and then borrow money from them.

A Correction.

The Missionary Society instead of the Aid Society of the First Presbyterian church of Pendleton has been invited to spend the day with Mrs. J. J. Raulston at her home near Eastland on the third of June. The Missionary Society is looking forward to the treat with a great deal of pleasure.

WANTED

Help wanted to harvest the strawberry crop in the vicinity of Milton and Freewater. The crop promises to be unusually large, and outside help will be needed. There will be employment for a large number of persons in harvesting the crop. Families who wish to take a six weeks outing and combine profit with pleasure are invited to come up to the Freewater strawberry fields. Camping grounds will be furnished free. Twenty-five cents per crate is paid for picking. Address N. W. Mumford, Freewater, Oregon, or R. T. Motley, Milton, Oregon.