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CELLO SHIP CANAL

WEHRUNG IS NOW OPPOSED TO STATE ROAD

Brief Review of the Government's Work and Plans in Cello—Surveys Have Been Made and Cost Estimated—Different Legislative Acts of the Government on the Canal.

Secretary Shaw's recommendation of \$300,000 as the limit for congress to appropriate for the Cello canal has given the supporters of the portage railway an opportunity to say: "I told you so," says a Portland paper. Whether that fact will have bearing on the action of the legislature in special session remains to be seen, but when the action of the commercial bodies of Portland and expressions of the legislature are considered it is contended that it will.

Senator W. H. Wehrung, of Washington county voted for the passage of the portage law, but now contends he sees no reason why the state should spend \$165,000 in construction if the government builds the canal or shows intentions to do so.

Regarding this proviso, the report of the United States engineers on river and harbor improvements for 1903 gives the facts as they are at the present time, except the order of the secretary of war prohibiting the continuance of work on the canal until the right of way is secured free of cost to the national government.

The original project for this improvement was made pursuant to the act of August 11, 1888. The plan recommended was for a boat railway for the trans-shipment of boats with cargo weighing 600 tons. The estimated cost is \$2,869,356.35.

Again, in 1892, the act of July 13, authorizes the appointment of a board to examine the locality and report a plan for overcoming and removing the obstructions as in their opinion was the most feasible and best adapted to the wants of navigation. A majority of the members of this board were in favor of a canal. Two members preferred a boat railway, at an estimated cost of \$2,264,467, including \$170,000 for improving Three-Mile rapids. The latter project was adopted by act of August 18, 1894, and \$100,000 was appropriated for the purchase of right of way, preparation of plans, etc.

The work done on this project consisted of acquiring title to part of the land for right of way in partially preparing the necessary plans for the boat railway and in making a survey of the river between The Dalles and Celilo, with a view to overcoming the obstructions by means of canals and locks. The report of the above survey recommended the construction of a

canal and locks, and the act of June 15, 1902, approved the construction of the canal and locks and at the same time authorized the unexpended balance, therefore appropriated for obtaining the necessary right of way and commencing the construction of a boat railway, to be used for the canal. The estimated cost was \$3,969,371. At its second meeting in Portland, May 11 to 14, 1903, after a consideration of the additional data and estimates it requested that a detailed survey be made of the ground for a continuous canal on the Oregon side, extending from above Celilo falls to below Five-Mile rapids, drawing its water supply from the river above Celilo falls. The work of this survey is now in progress. It is expected that the board's report will be submitted to congress at its next session.

The expenditures on this work to June 30, 1902, amounted to \$35,568.49, less \$7,500, refunded by the United States circuit court on account of condemnation proceedings.

The amount expended up to the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, less the amounts refunded as above, was \$41,506.38.

CONSULAR SERVICE.

Plans for its Reconstruction Are Being Laid.
Baltimore, Dec. 11.—The bill for

the reorganization of the consular service presented in the senate by Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, and in the house of representatives by Congressman Adams, of Pennsylvania, was the subject of discussion at a conference of leading merchants and manufacturers held in Baltimore today.

The conference was held under the auspices of the National Consular Reorganization Committee and those present included prominent persons of New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and a number of other cities. In all its phases, the discussion calling forth many interesting criticisms and suggestions from those present, including views from a number of leaders of the National Civil Service Reform League, now in annual session here, and who were specially invited to attend the conference.

SWEDENBORGIAN EXHIBIT.

Mementoes Will Be Brought to the World's Fair.

St. Louis, Dec. 11.—One of the most novel exhibits at the approaching exposition is proposed by the Swedenborgian societies of America. The various societies of this denomination propose to have reproduced the original dwelling house of Emanuel Swedenborg, the founder of the

sect, which is still standing served in Stockholm.

It is planned to erect the upon a proper site within the tion grounds, to be used for play of manuscripts, drawings and objects of interest church members and original and also for the free distribution of New Church literature as a meeting point for visitors in the New Church movement are expected to attend the large numbers.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Mr. Skirmunt, a Russian publisher, has been sent to Siberia for five years for pernicious activity in circulating gratuitously the works of Maxim Gorki.

Three months ago a French nurse attempted suicide by swallowing a tube of typhoid bacilli. She is alive and expected to recover completely from the poison.

The extermination of the American mountain laurel by digging its roots to be used in carving, is looked for. It is relatively scarce, and is becoming more and more so.

To increase the harbor facilities at London, plans are being made for a \$25,000,000 dam across the Thames. It will produce a lake one-half mile wide and 45 miles long.

Richard Foskett, an Englishman, was 100 years old last Sunday. He gave a party at which he danced the sailor's hornpipe from start to finish without a missing note.

The pope and the papal secretary of state utterly refuse to interpose even a note of protest in behalf of Colombia in her present difficulties with Panama and the United States.

Since the Russian railroad was laid to the Afghan frontier, a lake 14 by 30 miles and in places over 50 feet deep, has submerged one section of it. The water rose from innumerable springs after an earthquake.

A. Z. Simmons, a West Virginia man, shot in the dark at what he supposed was a large dog, with a 22-calibre rifle. By sheer accident, he shot the animal, which proved to be a black bear, in the brain, killing it.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST NEWS.

H. C. Watson, a prominent attorney at Albany, died Thursday of heart disease.

During the past week a total of 2,500 saloon licenses have been petitioned for in the city of Portland, for the year 1904.

A fire in the buildings of the state normal school at Monmouth, on Wednesday night, did several hundred dollars worth of damage.

Owing to a change in the personnel of the Albany city council, saloon licenses will be raised from \$400 to \$1,000 per year on the first of January.

Two masked robbers held up and robbed the saloon of M. Baumgardt, at Albany, Wednesday night at 2 o'clock, secured about \$25 in cash and a revolver.

The cases of Marie Ware and Horace C. McKinley in the United States district court in Portland, have been continued until the first day of the next regular session of the court, which will bring them to trial about April 1, 1904.

A white woman, formerly Mrs. William Stone, who married a Chinaman in Portland some time ago, tried to sell her 1-year-old son for the sum of \$20, in Portland Thursday, to raise money with which to return to her father's family.

A national bank has been chartered with \$25,000 capital for Condon, William county, with J. Frank Watson, of Portland, as president; Edward Dunn, of Portland, vice-president, and N. Farnsworth, of New York City, as cashier.

James McGregor, a theatrical man at Salt Lake City, committed suicide Thursday by hanging himself to the scenery on the stage, just before the performance began. The leading lady was carried off the stage in a swoon, and the play was delayed several minutes by the occurrence.

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BREMERTON "DRY."

New Council Will Run the "Blind Pigs" Out of Town.

Bremerton, Dec. 11.—The saloon element met defeat in the city election, held here Monday. All of the councilmen elected are opposed to saloons. There are but two hold-over councilmen—Charles Dietz and Geo. F. Ward. Dietz is in favor of the saloons, being an owner of saloon property; but he will be the only open town member of the new council.

The new administration promises to run the blind pigs out of town as soon as it comes into power. These dives have been operated recently under a fine system.

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by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surface.

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75c wool goods in colors..... 19c

Corsets.

Odd lot of corsets at half price.
\$1.50 corsets..... 75c
\$1.25 corsets..... 49c
\$1.00 corsets..... 49c
75c corsets..... 39c
Girdles at all prices.

Underwear.

Odd lot of ladies' all-wool pants, regular, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, sale price..... 25c
Odd lot of ladies' pants..... 19c
\$2.00 union suits..... \$1.19
\$3.00 union suits..... \$2.00
Odd lot of children's vests and pants..... 12c

Silks.

85c colored taffeta, all colors..... 67c
50c colored China silk, all colors..... 34c
\$1.50 black peau de soi..... 95c
85c black peau de soi..... 55c
35c colored satins, all colors..... 29c
\$1.50 black taffeta, 27 inch, all colors..... 98c
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