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Eastern Oregon Weather

Tonight and Sunday, rain or snow, cooler tonight, high winds, decreasing Sunday.

COMPANY WINS A POINT

Freewater and Hudson Permitted to Divert Water from Tumulalum.

INJUNCTION OF FORMER COMPANY IS ALLOWED.

Can Take 3,000 Inches From the Tum-a-lum, Down the Channel of Walla Walla to its Head.

Judge Ellis allowed a modification of the injunction granted by him some time ago.

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AT HIGH POINT. The Hudson Bay ditch desires water for winter.

of Wild Horse, Sells His Crop at 85 Cents.

Revenue Collector. The collector of the revenue has headquarters at Portland.

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STOCKMEN ADJOURN.

Hagenbarth Elected President of the Association, and Springer, of Packing Company.

Portland, Jan. 16.—The following officers were elected at the closing session of the Livestock convention last evening:

President—Frank J. Hagenbarth, of Salt Lake City, Utah.

First vice-president—H. A. Jastro, Bakersfield, Cal.

Second vice-president—Frank M. Stewart, of Buffalo Gap, S. D.

Treasurer—George L. Goulding, of Denver, Col.

Secretary—Charles F. Martin, of Denver, Col.

Richard Scott was elected to the executive committee from Oregon.

John W. Springer was elected president of the Independent Packing Company.

NEW FREIGHT RATES.

Change Will Affect Local Traffic But Little.

Monday next the new schedule of freight rates will go into effect over the entire O. R. & N. system.

The change will affect the local traffic but little, as it is based on the through freight schedule from New York to the coast.

SHUT DOWN TILL NEW WOOL CLIP

SCOURING MILLS WILL CLOSE FOR FOUR MONTHS.

During Past Season the Mills Have Scoured Four and a Half Million Pounds, Employing Twenty to Twenty-five Men—Last Shipment Made Today.

The Pendleton Scouring Mills will close for the season this evening.

During the year the mills have scoured a little over 4,500,000 pounds of wool.

As high as 20 to 25 men have been at work there for weeks at a time.

The last of the wool shipping from the plant was sent out today in order to get ahead of the raise in freight rate.

MINE WORKERS' CONVENTION.

Most Significant Meeting of this Body in Five Years.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 16.—Delegates are arriving from Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan and other states for the fifteenth annual convention of the united mine workers of America.

The convention this year carries with it more significance than any convention of the miners in the last five years.

If the reports circulating among the delegates already on the field are to be believed, the convention, and especially the joint conference between operators and miners that will follow its adjournment, will witness an important struggle.

Upon the deliberations of the joint conference depends the wage scale for the present year.

Visiting Chris Ranley. Miss Angle Ranley, of Tacoma, is in the city visiting her uncle, Chris Ranley, for the winter.

In spite of general pessimism and feeling of impending dull times, the iron market continues strong in every department.

COL. W. F. BUTCHER SHOTS J. WHITE

Prominent Baker City Lawyer Shot in Self-Defense Last Night.

VICTIM GOT TWO BULLETS IN ANSWER TO QUESTION.

Trouble Arose Over Lawyer's Fee—Hot Words Had Passed Between the Men and When White Asked if Butcher Was Armed, Butcher Thought it Meant an Opening of Hostilities.

Baker City, Jan. 16.—Colonel F. W. Butcher shot and probably fatally wounded Jerry White, a contractor, at dark last night, over a lawyer's fee long overdue from White to Butcher.

Two bullets struck White, one in the arm and one in the neck.

Butcher and White had had a difficulty over a lawyer's fee, and White had placed his property out of his hands, to prevent Butcher from collecting the amount.

Hot words had passed between them yesterday, and as Colonel Butcher stepped out of his office last evening, in company with his law partner, White confronted him.

After the shooting, Butcher went to the office of the justice of the peace and surrendered, when he was placed under \$5,000 bonds.

He claims he shot in self-defense, as the actions and the questions of White led him to believe that his life was in danger.

Colonel Butcher is one of the most prominent and popular attorneys in the state.

SELLING ROAD ROLLERS.

Buffalo-Pitts Agent Confers With Members of the City Council on Street Machine.

L. M. Bates, who came to hear selling a road roller to Pendleton city and Umatilla county in partnership, last year, was in the city again yesterday on the same mission.

A. Smythe, of Arlington. A. Smythe, of Arlington, is in the city for a short visit with his son, Dan P. Smythe, of the firm of Halley & Lowell.

Pacific Express Inspection. Theo. Gentsch, of Spokane, is at the Hotel St. George for a short business visit in the city.

Since the fire which destroyed so many lives in the Iroquois theater in Chicago a short time ago, the people all over the country have been paying more attention to the condition of the buildings where crowds are wont to gather.

It is understood that Fire Chief W. R. Withee will at a near date recommend to the council that some ordinance governing the provision of fire escapes in the large buildings of the city be drawn.

In view of these facts it is thought wise by a great many people that an ordinance be passed requiring the escapes to be built as soon as possible at these buildings.

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DAY'S RECORD OF FATALITIES

Caused by Collisions, Conflagrations, Breaking Ladders and Collapsing Ice.

RAILROAD COLLISION CAUSED BY HEAVY FOG.

Cut Off by Fire, Men Jump From Third Story to Escape—Firemen Killed by Breaking Ladder—Alabama Jail and Living Inmates Burned While Some Prisoners Escape—Three Men Broke Through Ice Near Pittsburg and Drowned.

Dubois, Pa., Jan. 16.—One trainman was killed and several injured on the Pennsylvania railroad by a rear-end freight collision while entering the yard this morning in a heavy fog.

New York, Jan. 16.—Four men were seriously injured and 11 others endangered by fire this morning on the Brooklyn & Coney Island railway.

The fire was caused, presumably, by an explosion of paints and oils in a room. The flames spread with remarkable rapidity.

Three Firemen Killed. Paterson, N. J., Jan. 16.—Three firemen were fatally injured by falling ladders while fighting flames at Hinchell's brewery this forenoon.

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 16.—The jail at Pratt City was destroyed by fire this morning, three prisoners were burned to death and two others fatally burned.

Pittsburg, Jan. 16.—Three millers, walking on the ice across the Monongahela river at dawn this morning, broke through and drowned.

Chicago Wheat. Chicago, Jan. 16.—Wheat opened 87 1/2, closed 88 1/2.

IN CIRCUIT COURT.

Total of Twelve Cases, Civil and Criminal.

The circuit court will meet Monday morning next, at 9 o'clock for the regular January term.

There are about 12 cases at issue on the law docket, and several of those are now in the course of arbitration.

Owing to sickness in the family of Judge Ellis, it has not been possible to set the cases on the docket until today.

Heavy Graft Knocked Out by "Paternalism."

Just now the makers of Portland cement are busy endeavoring to disunite the United States sawmakers from going into the cement making business.

The government has decided to build a \$2,500,000 dam across Salt river, in Arizona.

Realizing, doubtless, that the post-office department had proven a sucker ready to nibble at any kind of bait, the cement manufacturers concluded that other departments would be alike weak and alike criminal.

A bill is pending in congress making the employment of American consuls for transport business obligatory, cutting out the foreign bottoms which have been carrying lumber to the Philippines.

this afternoon in conference with those who have cases to be heard at the coming session.

Light Criminal Docket. The criminal docket is also light for this term.

J. B. Gladney or C. C. Thompson, will be tried for a robbery committed at Umatilla some time ago.

D. Gordon Graham, the man who made the short change in the Lee Tentsch store, will be tried for embezzlement.

Smith McMullin, has been waiting in the county jail for some time to show why he ran away with another man's coat.

Charles Luke is in jail as the result of too great a fondness for other people's horses.

J. A. Smith is accused of the larceny of an overcoat belonging to H. Mulligan, the proprietor of the St. George restaurant.

Emperor Showed His Chagrin and Afterward That He Was Flattered—Incident Occurred During Observance of Ancient Custom.

Berlin, Jan. 16.—The kaiser on entering parliament was preceded by two noble heralds clad in motley fantastic costumes specially designed by the kaiser.

A unique and embarrassing incident occurred after the kaiser closed his speech.

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CONTRADICTION CONTRADICTED

No Harmony of Conclusions Possible About the Far Eastern Situation.

CHINA THINKS SHE HOLDS THE KEY TO THE SITUATION.

Russian Officials in the Far East Profess to Believe That Peace is Assured by an Agreement Being Reached, and the Czar Advises Peace—In the Meantime Japan Prepares for War and Russia is Filling Manchuria With Soldiers and Settlers.

London, Jan. 16.—All advices this morning show diversity of opinion regarding the far eastern situation.

From Tokio comes the report that war is considered inevitable and the peace party is losing hope.

Berlin officials are optimistic, claiming the outlook is better today than for many weeks.

Pekin officials believe Russia will hesitate to adopt other than a conciliatory tone because of Chinese neutrality.

Russian Officials Expect Peace. St. Petersburg, Jan. 16.—The Novoe Vremya today states that telegrams from Port Arthur and Vladivostok, report that the highest officials in those circles believe the crisis is passed and peace is assured.

Washington Expects War. Washington, Jan. 16.—News received at the state department this morning from Japan are more pessimistic than for days past.

Battleships Leaving. Suez, Jan. 16.—The Japanese cruiser Nisabi sailed for Peking this morning.

Concessions by Russia. Berlin, Jan. 16.—Advices today cause officials to believe that Russia will abandon the contentions taken and concede all the essential points of Japan's demands.

Missionaries in Danger. Jackson, Mich., Jan. 16.—Bishop Calloway, Methodist Church, South, has called on all Methodist missionaries in Korea to leave immediately for Seoul.

Output for the Past Year Amounts to \$120,000 and Improvements Worth \$8,000 Have Been Added.

Union, Jan. 16.—The Union Woolen Mills at this place have just issued a statement of last year's output.

The mills make a specialty of manufacturing a superior grade of white blankets, which are sold exclusively to a San Francisco firm.

Miss Stott Recovering. Miss Mamie Stott, the step-daughter of Judge W. R. Ellis, who has been at the hospital for some time, where she recently underwent an operation made necessary by a former operation for appendicitis.

Returning to Work. New York, Jan. 16.—The International Mercantile agencies trade summary for the week show the trade outlook in the United States and Canada is promising.

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