

For a borrowed paper, the East Oregonian the price asked for it.

N. SAFE DOWN OPEN

Rob the Railroad Milton With Very

CONTAIN. ED \$19 IN MONEY.

Tools From Local Shop and Tried to But Failing in This, a Dynamite Was Applied

25.—(Special to the )—The safe in the not was blown open by a midnight last night, taken. The south spot building was shattered by the explosion force of the explosion windows in the building. The door on south spot building was blown about 50 feet dis-

effected an entrance through the window, and to break the safe locksmith tools, stolen shop, as the tools were of the floor of the depot and the marks of the powder were visible on

the safe. This, they resorted to of blowing it open and succeeded ad- were poorly repaid for work, as there was but at the time.

in Freewater and Mil- at the time of the rushed to the depot rifed and the burg-

sus Characters. s characters seen in yesterday were and, as they are it is almost certain the guilty parties.

is described as being inches tall, very light, wearing a dark suit a negligee shirt. The man, somewhat tall, dressed in a similar clothes. They were around the saloons and business in the authorities are certain

Saloon Robbed. Jan. 25.—The Bozerino was robbed last night, an entrance to the midnight, through the carried out the cash register contained no

was found in a mill broken open and Several roomers in the upper story of being, but were not burglars.

Re-open Plant. Jan. 25.—Pursuant to by the creditors Harvester company, bankruptcy proced- tly instituted, the company resumed oper- a shut-down of

Seven hundred been given employ- low believed all claims without forcing the

people—only seven of white—were killed in Ala. cyclone.

Arrested. H. H. Jan. 25.— Company this morning. John Goggin was charged with embe-

The bank's showed liability \$250,000. Goggin a livestock fan- ing speculator, and funds to his per-



Eastern Oregon Weather Tonight and Tuesday fair.

PENDLETON, UMATILLA COUNTY, OREGON, MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 1904.

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ARMSTRONG'S INTRODUCTION.

Was Fined \$30 Three Years Ago for Disturbing Methodist Social. Baker City, Jan. 25.—Pleasant Armstrong was not a stranger to the Baker County jail when he entered it on the charge of killing Minnie Ensminger. He had served a 15 days' sentence in the jail about three years ago for raising a row at a church social. In fact, Armstrong practically introduced himself to the people of Haines at this social in which he frightened the women and children almost out of their wits. It took six men to overpower the giant and take him out of the hall. He was placed under arrest and tried before the justice of the peace at Haines the following morning. He was fined \$30 and in default of payment was sent to the county jail where he served 15 days for the offense.

ART SHOW.

Seventy-third Annual Exhibit at Philadelphia. Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 25.—The seventy-third annual exhibition of the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts opened today and will be the center of interest among art lovers until it closes March 5. For several reasons this year's exhibition surpasses all of its predecessors, the choicest works of art from the Carnegie Institute exhibited at Pittsburg, including many prize winners, are shown, and there are also displayed for the first time in this country a number of important paintings sent from Europe to be exhibited at the St. Louis world's fair.

TO KEEP FORT WALLA WALLA

ORGANIZING TO PROTEST AGAINST ABANDONMENT.

Effort to Enlist Co-operation of Umatilla County—Appeal Will Be Made Through Members of Congress, All of Whom Are Supposed to Favor Retention.

Walla Walla, Jan. 25.—Despite the rather discouraging outlook of Fort Walla Walla being retained here the commercial club does not intend to give up the fight until the last resource is exhausted. At a meeting of the board of directors held in the Baker-Boyer bank last night the situation was thoroughly gone over and as a result the aid of Umatilla county will be enlisted in an effort to retain the fort inasmuch as the farming community of the county is as much benefited in its being retained here as that of Walla Walla county. The commercial and civic bodies of Milton, Weston, Athens and Pendleton will be asked to lend their support by urging the Oregon delegation to the national capital to use every means possible to retain the fort.

This can be consistently asked as Oregon farmers furnish thousands of dollars worth of forage to the troops annually, benefiting not only themselves but the entire county at large. President Turner and F. S. De- ment called on Senator Ankeny at his home last night and submitted the plan which met the senator's approval.

NATIONAL GUARD OFFICERS.

Nearly Every State Represented at St. Augustine.

St. Augustine, Fla., Jan. 25.—Nearly every state and territory was represented among the military men present today at the opening of the sixth annual convention of the Interstate National Guard Association. The association is composed of the adjutants general and commissioned officers of the organized militia in the several states and territories and its general purpose is to improve the efficiency and standing of the national guard. The present convention, which is presided over by Major General Charles Dick of Ohio, will occupy it- self with the consideration of various measures of state and federal legislation affecting the interests of the national guard organization.

MINTAGE OF 1836.

Gold Coin Sixty-Eight Years Old at the Savings Bank. The Savings Bank today received a \$5 gold piece of the mintage of 1836, in good condition and apparently unused to any considerable extent. The piece is larger than the money of today, and has an entirely different design on both sides. It is unusual for a coin so old to be found in such good condition, and it is one of the oldest pieces that has ever gone over the counter at the bank.

The war department has asked for an appropriation for \$1,245,366 for field maneuvers during 1905.

FIRE AND FLOOD DEVASTATION

Situation Aggravated by Intense Cold Throughout the East and Middle West.

NUMEROUS DEATHS FROM COLD AND FIRE.

Pennsylvania Flood Conditions Are Worse Than Ever, Thousands of People Being Driven From Home, or Marooned—Eighteen Degrees Below at Chicago and Worse Coming—Tugboat Went to Bottom—Ohio River Is Rising.

Indianapolis, Jan. 25.—Fire destroyed the Capital avenue barns of the Indianapolis Terminal Traction Company. A long string of new cars was destroyed. Loss, \$100,000. The "Theodore," the first suburban electric sleeping car ever built in America, costing \$20,000, was burned in the car barns. It was to have made its initial trip between Indianapolis and Columbus tonight.

Two Burned to Death. Pittsburg, Jan. 25.—Three residences in the Butler extension were destroyed by fire this morning. Mrs. William Sawyer and Michael Culley were burned to death and William Sawyer is missing.

Entire Block Burned. Brazil, Ind., Jan. 25.—Fire this morning in the business section, destroyed \$50,000 worth of property before it was gotten under control. The entire block was destroyed and the water main burst, doing great damage to property in cellars.

Thousands Driven From Home. Wheeling, W. Va., Jan. 25.—The flood conditions today are worse. The cold wave has frozen the water, but not sufficient to support weight. Five hundred families are marooned in the upper stories of residences. At Renwood it is estimated that 5,000 are living in upper stories or on the hillsides. There is intense suffering.

Record Broken for Cold. Chicago, Jan. 25.—A cold wave that is predicted will break all records and last 24 hours. The mercury reached 18 below zero at 5 o'clock this morning, and 20 below is expected for tonight.

Three persons were frozen to death last night. The wind adds to the discomfort. Laborer Frozen to Death. Detroit, Jan. 25.—All cold records were broken, the mercury being nine below this morning. George Outhwaite, a laborer, was frozen to death.

Coldest in Four Years. Kansas City, Jan. 25.—The mercury is five below this morning, the coldest in four years.

Three Men Drowned. Cincinnati, Jan. 25.—The ice gorge at Siskiyou broke this morning and swept down on the narrow towboat Belle, at Brown's coal harbor, on the Kentucky side, opposite Columbia. It was sent to the bottom, drowning Captain Frank Moore, Casper Adrian and John Hancock.

In Sunny, Sunny Kansas. Topeka, Jan. 25.—Zero is recorded here. At Lincoln the cold weather record this morning was 14 degrees below zero. Lincoln is 170 miles west.

Ohio Still Rieing. Parkersburg, W. Va., Jan. 25.—The Ohio river is still rising. At 8 this morning the gauge showed 41 feet six inches. The lower business districts are submerged, and railways are at a standstill.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

Tonight With Mrs. Lowell—Choir Organization Tomorrow.

All of the committees who have been appointed to manage the Christian Endeavor convention which is to meet in this city in February, will meet at the home of Mrs. S. A. Lowell this evening to make their reports of the work done. Tomorrow evening Professor E. Ray Jones will meet all those who wish to take part in the singing during the convention, at the Baptist church, and drill will begin for the special music for that time. It is hoped to gather together a large choir for the convention, and it is the desire of the music committee to have all those interested meet with the committee and Professor Jones tomorrow evening.

IN POLICE COURT.

One Plain Drunk and One Lewd Cohabitation. Isaac Parr was fined \$5 this morning in the city court for having been drunk on Saturday night. Dan Hart, who was arrested Friday night for lewd cohabitation with Rosa Bowman, in a lodging house, was arraigned this afternoon and pleaded guilty to the charge, being fined \$5 and costs by the court. He paid his fine.

OVER 150 MEN ARE ENTOMBED

Results of an Explosion of Gas in a Coal Mine Near Cheswick, Pennsylvania.

DESPERATE EFFORTS TO GET TO IMPRISONED.

More Than Even Chances That None of the Unfortunate Miners Will Be Rescued—Mine Has Always Been Gaseous and Unsafe—Escape Entirely Cut Off, As Both Shafts Are Filled With Debris—in Danger of Being Smothered.

Pittsburg, Jan. 25.—At 8:30 this morning an explosion took place in a shaft at the Narwick Company's coal mine near Cheswick. One hundred and twenty-five men are imprisoned in the mine. The superintendent at 10 sent to Cheswick and Springdale for physicians, although none of the men up to that hour had been rescued.

Working for Relief. Several hundred men are working at 11 o'clock trying to make an entrance into the mine where the entombed men are. It is believed many were killed outright or suffocated. Escape is completely shut off, as the explosion was so great it filled the shaft with debris.

Mine Always Unsafe. The mine is located a mile from Cheswick and was opened two years ago and has always been gaseous. It has two shafts 100 feet apart and 200 feet deep.

The latest reports from the company's roll shows that between 150 and 180 men are entombed, including the fire and pit bosses. Three injured tipple men were taken to the hospital at Allegheny, where one died. Soon all the men possible will be at work struggling at the shafts to reach the entombed, who will be smothered unless they speedily get fresh air.

Mule Blown Out of Shaft. Pending the arrival of the mine inspector all further efforts to enter the mine has been abandoned. About the mouth of the pit the air is heavy with deadly fire damp in such volumes as to cause the greatest fears for the safety of the entombed miners. It is believed none are alive. Repeated efforts made to communicate with them have been futile.

Attempts were made late this afternoon to force air through the shafts, thus relieving them of gas. The force of the explosion is illustrated by the fact that a pit mule was blown from the bottom of a shaft out through an opening and 100 feet into the air. Before the debris settled back and closed the shaft, came a huge gust of flame and the tipple building at the top of the shaft was blown into fragments. The scene around the shaft is distressing, as nearly all of the entombed miners have large families.

GALVESTON SEA WALL.

Classed as One of the Nine Wonders of the World. Bids were recently received for raising the grade of the city of Galveston, Texas. The Galveston correspondent for the Chicago Record-Herald, referred to this "as a task which promises to take its place as one of the nine wonders of the world."

Goedhart and Bates of New York were the successful bidders, being awarded the work at 18 1/2 cents per cubic yard. The Record-Herald correspondent says: "There are approximately 11,000,000 cubic yards of filling to be placed in order to raise the grade of the city on a level with the sea wall.

The average increase in grade is seven feet. It will cost the county under this contract nearly \$2,000,000, for which the city will issue bonds. The plan proposed by Goedhart and Bates is to construct a canal twenty feet deep from the bay inside and about 200 feet from the seawall. They are prepared to commence work in sixty days and finish in three years. Col. C. S. Rich, United States engineer, and George W. Boschke, engineer for the sea wall, recommended the award.

A. Van Puymbroeck to Belgium. O. R. & N. Ticket Agent B. R. Wolfe, sold A. Van Puymbroeck two through tickets for himself and wife, from Pendleton to Antwerp, Belgium yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Van Puymbroeck will visit in Europe for about eight weeks, before returning to Pendleton. They will leave New York City next Saturday morning on the White Star liner Zealand, and will arrive in Belgium on the Saturday following.

Loyalty to the lessons of the last year leads to success in the new.

SUES PORTLAND GAMBLERS.

Louis W. Robertson Brings Suit Against Keepers for His Losses. Louis W. Robertson, of Portland, has brought suit to recover \$1,480 from the Portland club, a gambling concern, which amount is double the sum he alleges to have lost at faro in the club.

There is a statute which allows a loser in a gambling game to recover twice the amount lost. Robertson is taking advantage of this law, and as he lost \$740 from September 25 to November 28, he asks to recover \$1,480. Harvey Dale, formerly the leading gambler of Baker City, is one of the principal owners of the Portland Club.

CHICAGO WHEAT.

Hot Sparring Between the Gamblers on Grain Exchange. Chicago, Jan. 25.—Wheat opened 92 1/2, closed 89 1/2. Attempts of the bulls, including Armour, to unload a portion of their wheat, caused a fast break in the market, which for a time threatened a stampede. The bulls finally came to the rescue and checked the fall.

IDENTIFIED SAFE BLOWER

Spokane Man Recognizes Dead Robber as Charles Mitchell of Texas. Spokane, Jan. 25.—J. C. Patterson of this city has recognized the safe blower shot and killed by Officer Logan Saturday, while attempting to blow open the safe in Johnson's saloon, as Charles Mitchell, formerly of Texas, and only a recent arrival here.

CARPENTERS NOT MAKING DEMANDS

NEITHER HAVE THEY HAD ANY NOTION OF DOING SO.

A Social Gathering Was Distorted by Outsiders into a Star Chamber Session That Formulated "Demands"—Labor Situation in Pendleton is Now Harmonious.

The statement given circulation that the Carpenters' Union of this city had at a meeting last Friday evening decided to ask for a raise in wages of perhaps 50 cents per day, has been denied by the carpenters themselves in emphatic terms. A delegation of the carpenters has asked that it be said for them that not only have they not asked for a raise in the scale, but they have had no idea of so doing. The labor situation in this city is perfectly harmonious, and there is no friction whatever between the unions and the bosses.

The Carpenters' Union gave a smoker on Friday evening to their employers and friends, and from this social gathering the rumor seems to have sprung. The union is displeased that such a baseless rumor should have been circulated, as it might have a tendency to discourage those who are intending to build, holding them back under the fear of delay and consequent loss.

L. W. COLE IS WANTED.

Traveling Man Worked Off Worthless Check on Hotel Pendleton. The sheriff is looking for a traveling man named L. W. Cole, who represents the Williamson Brothers Neckwear firm of New York City, and about \$40 of the hotel Pendleton profits.

Some time ago Cole came to Pendleton in the interests of his firm and stopped at the Hotel Pendleton. He was here several days and had been here before leaving a small account of \$40 when he left on his first trip. When he was ready to leave again he told the hotel people that he would pay them his old bill if they could cash a draft on his firm for \$100. This was done, and the knight of the grip left with the change in his pocket for some other place on the road.

The draft was turned in at the bank and in a short time word was received from the New York bank that it was worthless. The sheriff was notified, but so far has not been able to locate his man. As the drummer had permission to draw on his house for his expenses once a week, nothing was thought of cashing the paper at the hotel, and the matter is still mysterious. The man has vanished.

HAS ACCEPTED.

Miss Grace Dewey Will Arrive From Michigan About February. Miss Grace Dewey, of Benton Harbor, Mich., who has been elected to the position of principal of the Pendleton high school, has telegraphed to the school board that she will accept the position, and will reach the city about the first of February to take charge of the work here.

Alfred Mertz, confidential clerk of the Donahue Mercantile Company, of Butte, in a fit of insanity, thought his accounts short and drowned himself. His accounts were correct. He left a note making explanations of financial shortages.

ONE THOUSAND ACRES PLEDGED

Splendid Starting Out of the Project to Raise Sugar Beets in the Echo Country.

THE MASS MEETING WAS A PRONOUNCED SUCCESS.

Some Farmers Will Lease Their Lands to the Company—Others Will Sell the Product outright—Those Most Interested Are Prominent and Reliable Men—Echo District Has Some Advantages Peculiar to it, as to Flora and Season.

It is now an assured fact that the Echo country will in a short time be one of the beet centers of the country, and that the land in that district will be doubled in value before two years are passed, for at the meeting of the La Grande sugar men last Saturday an agreement was reached between them and the farmers whereby crops will be put in as soon as the weather permits, and the industry thus started.

Messrs. Bramwell, Stoddard and Caviness of La Grande, and E. W. McComas, of this city, attended the mass meeting at Echo Saturday last, and at that time about 1,000 acres of land was pledged to the factory people for the culture of beets. One or two of those who had large tracts of land to give to the business rented the land to the company, who will have charge of it and will harvest the crops. Those who have the smaller sections will farm their own land and sell their beets to the factory at the stations nearest to the product at an average of \$4.50 a ton for the product at the station, which is practically the same price that is offered to the growers near La Grande.

Large Acreage Promised.

Charles Bartholomew, Frank Rack, Charles Lyle, O. D. Teel, H. G. Hurlburt, Joe Leazer and others of that vicinity have each promised tracts varying in size to the beet men, and their land will be inspected during this week, and if water enough can be put on it the crops will be put in as soon as the season opens. The factory management is anxious to get a start in this section, for they need the beets in their business. Practically all of the land that is adapted to beet culture in the Grand Ronde is now under cultivation, and still the factory has not sufficient beets to run it. For this season concessions are made to the farmers of the Butler Creek country. Another thing that makes the management solicitous about coming here is the fact that the season is earlier here than it is at La Grande by nearly a month, which would give the factory nearly a month leeway in the handling of its crop. It can get the Echo crop out of the way by the time the La Grande beets begin to come in from the fields.

Echo Lands Suitable.

Mr. Caviness, who is one of the largest and most successful beetraisers of La Grande, is much pleased with the land around Echo, and, in fact, of all the little valleys in this vicinity. He is sure that all of those farmers along the little streams of this country who wish to raise beets can put them in with profit.

One thing especially of interest to those contemplating beet culture is the absence of weeds in the sandy soil of Echo and vicinity. The weeds are the bane of the beet farmer, and in this part of the country there are practically none of them. In the opinion of those who have canvassed the situation there is no reason why the beet industry should not in a short time become one of the leading factors in the industrial life of this community.

To Observe McKinley Day.

New York, Jan. 25.—Reminders are being circulated by the Carnation League of America of the approach of McKinley Day which falls next Friday, the anniversary of the president's birth. The league is anxious that the memory of McKinley is renewed in the hearts of the citizens on that day by the custom of wearing a carnation, McKinley's favorite flower, in the lapel, the hair or at the throat.

L. S. Adams Under Arrest. Vincennes, Ind., Jan. 25.—L. S. Adams, charged with selling bogus mining stocks from Chicago and Milwaukee to Seattle and Portland, was arrested here this morning on a request from Chicago, where charges were filed by the Bankers' Association. Adams was once held in Seattle on a similar charge.