



WEATHER FORECAST. Tonight and Friday cloudy and threatening; warmer to night.

PENDLETON, UMATILLA COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1904.

NO. 5004.

WILLIAMSON DIES BY POISON

Walla Walla Girl Drinks Acid Solution and Dies Horrible Death.

A BITTER NOTE TO HER FORMER LOVER.

The Daughter of William P. Williamson, a Well Known Farmer Laborer—Was 17 Years Old Had Kept Company With...

When I am dead, send this letter to Charley Wall with my curse and hate for him, who has made me what I am. Goodbye for the last time.

Miss Viola Williamson, the 17-year-old daughter of W. P. Williamson of South Star street, committed suicide this morning by taking a full dose of bichloride tablets.

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WASTE OF GAS.

Matter of Great Concern to People of West Virginia.

Clarksburg, W. Va., March 24.—Business men and others representing the gas producing counties of West Virginia met here today in response to call and discussed the situation with regard to the supply of natural gas and its possible exhaustion.

HUNG HIMSELF.

Son of Prominent Politician Was Under Sentence of Death.

Birmingham, March 24.—Ralph Armstrong, son of the late Colonel Armstrong, minister to Brazil under Cleveland, and under sentence of death for the murder of his cousin, Miss Alice Armstrong, hanged himself in a cell at Tuskegee today.

Will Buy New Fire Engine.

Walla Walla, March 24.—The city council last night decided to purchase a new chemical fire engine at a cost of \$1,950 and 1,000 feet of new hose.

Chicago Grain.

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arrangements have yet been made for the funeral.

Just Returned From Missoula.

From Marshal Carney it is learned that the Williamson girl, in company with Bert Montgomery, a grain handler who has been in the city for some time, and Ollie Maurer, the girl who had her father, Ed Maurer, arrested some months ago for assaulting his wife, went three weeks ago to Sumpter, Weiser and Missoula.

Carney went to the father, who was willing to send for the girl and offered to telegraph her a ticket, but she refused to return unless a ticket was sent for the Maurer girl as well.

DEEP SNOWFALL COVERS RANGES

ABOUT 15 INCHES NEW SNOW IN SOUTHERN UMATILLA.

At Alba There Was Already From 10 to 14 inches of Old Snow—Storm Yesterday Covered the Foothill Ranges Completely and Stock Are Being Driven to Vicinity of Pilot Rock—May Be Some Stock Losses Yet.

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Beginning at Pilot Rock yesterday morning, there was about two inches of new snow; on Bear creek, four to six inches fell, and on the higher slopes at Alba, fully 15 inches covered the ground.

Several bands of sheep had been shorn and a great many stock had been turned on the foothills to browse, but the new snow covered up every particle of feed.

If the snow lies on in the vicinity of Dale and Alba much longer there will be a loss of stock yet, as feed is scarce and it is impossible to get at the grass.

The foothills in the vicinity of Pilot Rock are covered with stock from all portions of Southern Umatilla county, and unless the hills farther south become bare very soon, the range that is being used in the Pilot Rock country as an outlet, will be overstocked.

CRUISER BAYAN WAS DESTROYED

Blown Up by a Floating Mine That Was Derelict in Port Arthur Harbor.

THE SEVEN HUNDRED MEN ABOARD WERE DROWNED.

Korea Undertakes to Keep Yongampho Open to the Commerce of the World—Firemen Are Being Shipped into Port Arthur From Odessa to Fight Fires Resulting From Bombardments—Captain Ivkoff Accused of Selling Secrets to Japan.

Berlin, March 24.—The Schlesische Zeitung announces that it was not the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Skori that was blown up by a floating torpedo in Port Arthur harbor March 16, but the armored cruiser Bayan. Almost the entire crew of 700 was killed.

Odessa, March 24.—Twenty firemen have been dispatched to Port Arthur to deal with fires started by the Japanese bombardments.

Russians Not Defeated.

St. Petersburg, March 24.—General Pflugge telegraphs from Mukden today stating that there is no truth in the report that Japanese have crossed Tatung Pe Soa pass, or had any engagement with the Russians.

Will Be Court-martialed.

St. Petersburg, March 24.—It is officially denied that Captain Ivkoff, commissariat of the department and accused of being a Japanese spy, was shot as stated. He has been removed from the service and is now under arrest awaiting court-martial for selling information.

Port Yongampho Opened.

Washington, March 24.—Minister Allen, at Seoul, cables that Port Yongampho will be opened to the trade of the world by the Korean government. Thousands of Russians have moved south to the Anja river, but floating ice makes crossing difficult.

Attack on Port Arthur.

Tokio, March 24.—Admiral Togo's report of the Port Arthur attack of the 22d has been received. He says the combined fleet acted according to a plan, while the destroyers were under fire, but sustained no damage.

MURDER AND LAND SWINDLE CASES

San Francisco, March 24.—In the Botkin trial today the defendant was unqualifiedly identified by F. S. Gray, a drug clerk, as the woman to whom he sold a quantity of arsenic, June, 1898.

Trial of Hyde and Dimond. San Francisco, March 24.—Frederick Hyde and Henry Dimond were placed on trial before Court Commissioner Peacock this morning, charged with conspiring to defraud the government of land, whose value is estimated at many millions.

Los Angeles, March 24.—Anita Kelly, a New York society girl, was awarded \$38,397.60 damages against the Hotel Potter company, at Santa Barbara, for the loss of a leg in an elevator accident.

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TARIFF CHANGES ARE VOTED DOWN

Modification of Import Tax Defeated by a Strict Party Vote in the House.

CONSUL AT BOMBAY LOSES DAUGHTER BY THE PLAGUE.

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Great Graft Exposed.

During considering of the postoffice appropriation bill in the house, Robinson, democrat of Indiana, attacked the subsidy of \$45,000 recommended in the bill for Oceanic Steamship Company.

Bristow as a Graft.

All members of congress in the mall today received cards printed on both sides purporting to show the record of Bristow as shown in the Franklin County, Kansas, directory.

Pardon Recommended.

Secretary Taft has recommended the president to pardon General Aquino, the Filipino insurgent court-martialed for ordering five American prisoners shot, resulting in the death of three.

Deny Having Yellow Fever.

Austin, Texas, March 24.—The health officers have received from the governor of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, a denial of the report that yellow fever exists there.

MAIL CARRIER'S THEFTS.

Walla Walla Boy Confesses to Keeping Money Entrusted to Him.

Walla Walla, March 24.—On a charge of failing to turn over post-office funds entrusted to his care, Ray York, mail carrier on rural route No. 5, was arrested late yesterday afternoon by Postoffice Inspector Clark.

MILTON PAINTER KILLS HIMSELF

WM. A. JONES COMMITS SUICIDE BY SHOOTING.

Walla Walla, March 24.—William A. Jones, a well known citizen of this place, killed himself in his barn, yesterday, about 5:30, by putting a bullet through his brain.

LADY MACCABEES.

State Convention of the Order at Everett, Wash.

Everett, Wash., March 24.—A hearty welcome was accorded today to the delegates who assembled here from all parts of Washington for the state convention of the Ladies of the Maccabees.

ROBBER'S RICH HAUL.

Spokane Home Ransacked of Over \$500 in Money and Jewelry.

Spokane, March 24.—Burglars last night secured jewelry and money aggregating more than \$500 in value from the home of David R. McClure, one of the proprietors of the Crystal steam laundry.

No Sunday Closing.

Walla Walla, March 24.—The city council has passed up the Sunday closing question presented by a list of petitioners last week, as not having sufficient backing to warrant action.

Thirteen Men Killed.

Berlin, March 24.—The Flora variety theater, being demolished, collapsed today and 13 workmen were killed.

Snow and Landslides.

San Francisco, March 24.—Wrecks from landslides and snowslides in the snowsheds region in the Sierra Nevada have impeded progress on the Central Pacific, carried away telegraph wires and practically cut off all telegraphic communication with the East.

Consensus of the Brain.

Kansas City, March 24.—A. V. Merrill, a spectator, may die from concussion of the brain as a result of a stream of water striking him that was intended for a fire.

OF IMPORTANCE AND INTEREST

Council Acts Upon Questions That Have Excited Much Comment and Argument.

NEW FIRM HAS BENEFIT OF LICENSE PAID IN ADVANCE.

Arrangements Completed for Having Ripping Replaced on the Levee—Webb Street Will Not Be Graded, But the West End of Court Street Will Be—Wheeler Building Ordered Closed Until Alterations Are Made—Clearances Around the Pumping Station.

The council meeting did not impress itself on the minds of all of the aldermen last evening, and as a result there was barely a quorum present.

The new firm of C. C. Brodier and T. J. Crowner, who have bought the liquor business of H. A. Kline, on Main street, asked that the license taken out by Mr. Kline be transferred to them until its expiration, May 1.

Alderman Wells, of the street committee, reported that he had had a talk with R. O. Hawks about replacing the riprap which he had taken from the top of the levee, and that Mr. Hawks and decided that he would replace the rock.

The report of the committee which has been investigating the Webb street controversy, put a quietus on the improvement of that street.

The property which would be interested in that part of the city is owned by those who, with the exception of one or two, have already signified their willingness to stand the expense, and it is thought by the council that there will be no trouble in having the improvement made.

City Attorney Carter, at the request of the city health officers, presented a resolution to the council, condemning the upper story of the Wheeler building, on Court street, now used as a lodging house.

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