GENERAL NEWS.

There are 98 species of mosquitoes classified in the United States.

The republican territorial convention of Hawaii has instructed for Roosevelt.

The last semi-annual dividend of the Anaconda Copper Company was 50 per cent.

The Globe Securities Company, of New York, has failed. Liabilities, $966,600; assets, $512,000.

The 600 striking coal miners at Red Lodge, Mont., have gone to work pending negotiations suggested by H. J. Horn, general manager of the Northern Pacific.

The referendum vote of the lithographers of the United States and Canada indicates that the strike will soon come to an end, practically on the employers' terms.

After years of maneuvering, the Wabash railroad has finally accomplished a terminal at Pittsburg, Pa., and will be running regular trains into and out of that place by June 19.

The first motion to quash the indictment against an alleged boodler in the Kansas City, Kan., city council, has been sustained. Nine other indictments are expected to go the same way.

A man held up a saloon at Berkeley, Cal. The men all complied with his orders, but the saloonkeeper's wife, 70 years old, tried to get hold of a pistol. The robber shot and mortally wounded her and made his escape.

President Smith, of the Mormon church, has flunked in his enthusiasm for "the whole truth" since his return to Salt Lake and refuses to use his influence to induce Mormon witnesses to appear before the Smoot investigation committee.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST NEWS.

The Sherman county democratic platform indorsed the portage road in emphatic terms.

The official call has been issued for the American Mining Congress to be held in Portland, August 22-27.

The Hood River strawberry crop is estimated at 150,000 crates this year, or 50 per cent more than last year.

The Canadian Pacific is troubled with washouts and high water the same as the roads in the United States.

Incendiary fires destroyed two houses in Eugene, Tuesday. Robbers were arrested looting the houses while burning.

Max Shillock, ex-secretary of the Portland Board of Trade, has been made an office deputy by Sheriff Storey, of Portland.

Seattle mining men interested in Alaska, estimate that the gold output of that territory will amount to over $10,000,000 this year.

Frankie Woolridge, a colored woman of the tenderloin at Portland, was sentenced to two years for perjury in gambling cases, Tuesday.

The run of salmon in the Columbia is lighter this year than for many years before. High water in the Columbia always means a light run of salmon.

Morrison street bridge, Portland, is barred to pedestrians and vehicles and only street cars can pass during the repairs to the bridge. The closed period will last eight months.

A suit involving the ownership of $6,000,000 worth of Baker county mining stock, the actual value of which is about $10,000, has been begun in the courts of Portland.

AN OLD DEADLINE

CROPS IN FULTON PRECINCT RESCUE LAND FROM BAN.

Barley Harvest Will Take Place in June if Present Growth Continues—Once Dry District Has Been Rejuvenated Through Cultivation—Interesting Line Drawn Through Umatilla County by Banks and Money Lenders.

Wheat out in the dry west end of Umatilla county looks better this year than ever before, and some of the early barley will be headed out in full within a week, according to reports from Fulton precinct.

If the present growth of crops continues in that district, harvest of the barley crop will take place in June. The ground is filled with water, the stand of grain is heavy and shields the ground from the sun, so the condition is the best that could be desired.

Observant farmers notice that the crops in the Fulton district are gradually becoming better each year, from some unaccountable reason. Formerly parts of Fulton precinct were known as the "short wheat" district, and year after year many of the crops would not grow high enough to be cut. But of late years, owing to the continued cultivation and the increase of winter moisture, crops in Fulton are better.

One thing that is noticed more than ever is that the wheat straw that is plowed under in the fall of the year is now rotten, this being due to the increased winter moisture. As this straw rots in the ground, it enriches the fields, which is one cause for better crops on land that was formerly considered unsafe for a wheat crop.

During the hard times in Umatilla county, back in 1893-94 a "deadline" was drawn through the county by the banks and money lenders, beyond which no money would be loaned on wheat land.

Owing to the extreme aridity of parts of Fulton precinct, this line was drawn on the dividing line between Union and Fulton precincts, and it was sacredly observed by all the money lenders for several years. Gradually times became better, crops in the dry region became more and more certain, until now there is no deadline anywhere in the county, and wheat land is increasing in productiveness.

FIRST TRAIN FROM EAST.

Brought in a Mob of Passengers Who Have Been Hung Up at Burnt River.

The first train from the East that has passed the Burnt river break, reached here this morning with a load of passengers that swamped all of the hotels in town. The Pendleton filled up and had to turn people away, while the St. George had every room in the house filled almost before the train had whistled in. The Bickers was crowded and as a result the lodging house keepers were routed out of bed to place their spare rooms at the disposal of those who had to wait while their trains came in or went out.

The new trains are carrying added cars that have been tied up at the break, and it will be a day or so before the kinks are all taken out of the system.

PREACHING AT HELIX.

Baptist Minister From Pendleton Will Hold Services Every Two Weeks.

Arrangements have been made by which Rev. G. L. Hall, pastor of the Baptist church in this city will hold regular services at the Baptist church at Helix, every two weeks, beginning next Thursday.

The congregation at Helix has not enjoyed a regular service for some time and hope to be able to hold meetings under this arrangement with Rev. Hall, until a regular minister can be secured. The church is in a flourishing condition and hopes to have a regular pastor within a year or so at least.

Kenneth Boker, aged 14, was drowned in a slough near Hood River, Tuesday.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Hotel Pendleton.

W. E. Lagen, Seattle.
Charles A. Green, San Francisco.
J. C. Lindsey, Portland.
Mr. and Mrs. W. Ring, Portland.
John A. Hunter, New York.
J. C. Everding, San Francisco.
F. S. Dodson, Boston.
A. F. Carler, San Francisco.
H. B. Catton, Walla Walla.
Alla Cavanaugh, Walla Walla.
Fred O'Malley, Spokane.
W. H. Harell, Chicago.
Mrs. W. J. Morgan, Walla Walla.
Carrie Nation Catton, Walla Walla
G. W. Hunt, Portland.
F. A. John, Portland.
J. W. Hallgarth, Portland.
E. P. Homeyer, Seattle.
Mrs. M. C. Morris, Spokane.
A. Shultz, Spokane.
J. F. Stover, Walla Walla.
Frank Ward, Portland.
E. H. Clarke, city.
R. A. Seeds, Spokane.
Edward Golden, Spokane.
Harry Marey, Spokane.
W. B. Whitley, Seattle.
W. H. Well, Portland.
J. H. Kloeckner.
V. Stadecker, St. Paul.
G. L. Dindinger, city.
F. H. Calderhead, Walla Wala.
J. P. Holloman, Walla Wala.
Fred Rover, Walla Walla.
John Skagland, Walla Walla.
E. C. Klanber, Chicago.
A. T. Cetwood, Baker City.
F. B. Ringon, Boise.
Walter F. Nelisch, San Francisco.
A. R. Grant, Portland.
W. L. Hasbrouck.
Miss Bessie Felbaum.
Mrs. Stearns.
H. W. Mendenhall.
T. C. F. Smith.
J. Gurmor, Portland.

Hotel St. George.

A. K. Williams, Portland.
J. H. Alexander, La Grande.
Mrs. R. Burns and niece, Walla Walla.
D. Franklin, Portland.
W. S. Goodman, Hudson Bay.
Emma S. Sandt, Freewater.
Laura Nixon, Freewater.
Wm. O. Bishop, Walla Walla.
N. B. Whitley, Seattle.
W. Harney Wells, Portland.
G. N. Smith, Portland.
A. H. Hayes, Spokane.
William Dunn, Portland.
J. E. Sutton, Olympia.
Miss Effie King, Danville.
R. Buyham, Walla Walla.
Albert A. Pillier, Boston.
C. V. Baird, Boise.
C. Riemenchnieder, Milwaukie.
William Sullivan, Portland.
F. L. Palmer, St. Paul.
S. R. Calderhead, Walla Walla.
J. A. Allison, Portland.
F. J. Gardner, Portland.
S. D. Morris, La Grande.
J. F. Falps, Walla Walla.
H. Connell, Umatilla.
J. D. Hanan, San Francisco.
J. M. Stephenson, St. John.
G. H. Cavanaugh, San Francisco.
Thomas J. Florin, Spokane.
S. D. Vincent, Chicago.
G. E. Sturgis, Boston.
G. W. Ruckman, Boston.
G. Willard, Spokane.
H. Smith Walley, Pocatello.
F. J. Hutchinson, San Francisco.
Eben Momer, San Francisco.
Henry Hertfeld, San Francisco.
Daniel Gallagher, Boise.
V. Officer, John Day.
Hrs. E. Luce, John Day.
E. B. Nelson, John Day.
C. E. Gibson, Moscow.
H. W. Mendenhall, Kansas City.
Walter Gulgren, Iron River.
Morris Hunter, Iron River.

Hotel Bickers.

Lon Patton, Pilot Rock.
S. L. Kennard, Hooperton.
Mrs. L. Kennard, Hooperton.
J. W. Pelsford, Heppner.
J. N. Hemphill, Pilot Rock.
A. D. Salisbury, Ana Ann.
Mrs. D. Salisbury, Ana Ann.
L. E. Hukill, Starbuck.
J. H. Roddy, Starbuck.
H. P. Tuel, Echo.
W. E. Woods, Weston.
S. E. Putman, Chicago.
W. H. Norton, Chicago.
Harry Brand, Seattle.
Fred Parr and wife, Agency.
Miss Edna Ripper, Echo.
W. E. Johnson, Spokane.
E. H. Hunt, Walla Walla.
Mrs. Y. Latham, Sumpter.
S. Bayles, New York.
Peter Lewis, Portland.
C. V. Daniell, city.

Notice to Contractors.

On and before April 28th, the executive board of the Eastern Oregon State Normal School will receive sealed bids for grading Normal school grounds and laying concrete walk.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the Normal School building, Weston, Oregon.

The executive board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Address R. Alexander, chairman executive board, Pendleton, Oregon.

Pendleton, April 18, 1904.

New spring shirts, The Boston.

FOR SALE AT THE EAST OREGONIAN office—Large bundles of [illegible] containing over 100 big papers, [illegible] obtained for 25 cents a bundle.