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GENERAL NEWS.

A prophet Dowie saved three drowning women at Grand Rapids, Mich., Sunday morning. Their yacht had capsized, and the Zionists being near at hand, pulled them out of the water.

A severe earthquake shock in Vinales, Chile, on Saturday night, wrecked many valuable buildings and caused a panic among the inhabitants because of the terrible noises which accompanied the shock.

The Denver & Rio Grande will fight to the last ditch any responsibility for the Eden wreck, which was caused by an unexpected and an unheard-of stroke of nature, over which no human agency had control.

Two hundred and eighteen Chinese intended for the Chinese building and exhibit at the St. Louis fair, left San Francisco Saturday under guard of detectives and officials of the fair. They will be immediately deported as soon as the fair is over.

A tax collector in the department of the Var, in France, was discharged Saturday, because he brought a barrel of water into his office, stripped off and sat in the barrel, transacting business with his right hand, from his bath. This extreme measure was caused by the intense heat which made clothes unbearable.

A riot was almost precipitated at a political meeting Saturday night in New Albany, Ind., at which Champ Clark was speaker. Some one in the audience called Clark a liar, when he made the statement that the Taylors, who killed Governor Goebel, were murderers. Clark told the man who made the remark that he would cut his throat if he would meet him after the meeting.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST NEWS.

The John Day Coal Mining Company has been organized at Portland, with a capitalization of \$10,000, incorporators E. House, Otto Schieman and Herman R. Biersdorff.

The body of an unknown man was found in Dark Canyon, Baker county, near the mouth of Pine creek, Sunday. It is supposed to be the remains of a man drowned in Pine creek last spring.

The Sumpter Valley railroad is now completed to Tipton, 26 miles from Prairie City, the mail being carried in to Tipton by the construction trains, now reaches the interior half a day earlier.

Three horses and two saddles and bridles were stolen from the Mitchell barn, at Joseph, Wallowa county, Saturday night. Sheriff Blakley, finding their trail at once, is following them toward Anatone, Wash.

The estate of Nancy Cowles, deceased, of Yamhill county, paid into the state treasury Saturday, the sum of \$672 as the inheritance tax on \$70,000, one of the largest inheritance taxes ever paid to the state.

JAMES DORSEY, an aged man traveling through Grand Ronde valley from Kansas to Colfax, fell from his wagon at Summerville, and was fatally injured last Wednesday, and died from his injuries Sunday, leaving orphans a 5-year-old girl baby which accompanied him alone on his trip.

The body of Fred Dee, Klickitat sheepman, who died four months ago, was exhumed Saturday night at midnight at Arlington, by the sheriff of Klickitat county, for the purpose of undergoing an examination for poisoning, of which he is alleged to have died. The examination will be made in Portland this week.

FOR SALE
Two Business
Propositions on Main Street.

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RUSSIAN THISTLE

AGRICULTURAL EXPERT SAYS IT'S NO PEST.

Prof. Chubbs, Who Visited Pendleton, Said This Alleged Farm Pest Should Be Husbanded As It Protects the Land From the Sun, Holds Moisture and Prevents Heavy Rains From Washing Ditches Through the Grain.—Dakota Farmers Were Sorry When They Saw It Disappearing.

Umatilla county farmers are becoming more or less alarmed at the spread of the Russian thistle through the farming districts, as the idea prevails generally, that the plant is a pest of the worst class.

The opinion of Professor Chubbs, an agricultural specialist in the employ of the agricultural department, concerning this plant will be interesting. Just now when an active campaign against farm pests is being generally carried on.

Professor Chubbs visited Pendleton a few years ago, and noticing a heavy growth of Russian thistle on the reservation, said the farmers should be glad to see this beneficial weed spreading over the wheat belt.

When told of the warfare the farmers of the West were making on the Russian thistle, he said emphatically that they were killing off the best friend of the dry land crop, and then explained why.

In the first place, the Russian thistle, unlike the Canadian thistle and the Chinese lettuce, does not sap the soil of its strength, but rather acts as a conductor of light and strength from the sun to the soil.

It spreads out in a low, broad carpet, and holds the moisture from the dewfall late in the day. It prevents the sun from baking the surface of the ground, and in heavy rains it dissipates the little streams often formed on the steep ground, causing the water to spread out and saturate the ground instead of washing channels through the grain.

It does not grow high enough to interfere with cutting the wheat, its burrs are not so strong and sharp as to be a punishment to teams passing over it. Like the Canadian thistle and in the fall of the year, the round plants blow away into lanes and against fences and cause no serious hindrance to seeding.

Prof. Chubbs said when the Russian thistle first made its appearance in the Dakota wheat fields the farmers were alarmed at what they thought was a bad farm pest, but after they learned its habits and recognized its benefits to the sun-parceled land, they looked with more favor on it, and when it began to die out gradually in that state, the farmers actually noticed a decrease in the yield on land formerly infested by it.

If the professor's conclusions were right, farmers should study the uses of the plant before exterminating it, as he says it is entirely harmless, and in fact acts as a protector to the soil.

The farmer makes a more bitter warfare on the Russian thistle because of its name than for any other reason, thinking that nothing good has ever come out of Russia.

THE MAN WITH THE ADZ.

Wonderful accuracy of His Aim at the Butcher's Block.

"SOMEONCE" in another shop twenty or thirty persons stood watching a man at work with an adz. He stood up a large cedar block, such as meat is chopped on, which he had taken from his legs and placed on the curb, shaping toward the street. The surface of the block had become scarred and rough from use. With clean, accurate strokes of the adz the man soon made it smooth as a mahogany table. It was the wonderful accuracy of his aim that made passersby stop to look at him. He paid no attention to them. A single false blow would have ruined the block. When the job was done, the man helped the butcher mount the block, collected \$5 and went off to keep another appointment.

"It has taken me twenty-three years to learn to chop like that," he said to a reporter. "My charge is from \$5 to \$10, according to the size of the block. A block requires evening off in that way every three or four years. I have customers now that I had when I first began business, twenty-five years ago. In all that time I have spolled only two blocks, and they were during the two years of my apprenticeship. The butchers can get their chopping blocks put in condition by sending them to the sawmill. But it is more expensive, and they can't spare them so long from the shop. There is enough work of this kind in New York to keep myself and half a dozen others busy."—New York Press.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. His Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a tea-spoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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Besides occupying two-thirds of all the space in the foreign building at the Lewis and Clark fair, the Japanese government has secured two and a half acres in the fair grounds for a tea garden, which will be in full operation during the fair.

To Avoid Publicity.

Young Author (who thinks himself famous)—I believe I should enjoy my vacation better if I could go incognito.

Friend—Good idea! Travel under your nom de plume.—New York Weekly.

Girls have a way of getting a lot of special scenery on when they wait on table at a church social.—Achison Globe.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

The St. George.

W. L. Ewing, Westfield
Miss Anson, Kamela
J. L. McCrary, La Grande
E. N. Hutchinson, Portland
George Harris, Portland
J. W. Brady, Pocatello
L. D. Hoy, Seattle
W. D. Williams, Portland
Perry Dunn, San Francisco
T. P. Smith, San Francisco
Douglas Belts, Pilot Rock
R. Belts, Colfax
C. L. Downer, Spokane
William Dunn, Portland
William Mosgrove, Athena
H. Connell, Umatilla
• Dr. N. W. Wear, Adams
A. C. Henderson, Pilot Rock
J. P. Carrier, Portland
George G. Sears, Portland
Arthur T. Belfast, Chicago
W. T. White, Portland

The Hotel Bickler.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Horn, city

Sari Finch, Winslow

J. S. Cunningham, Portland

Mrs. Childs, Athena

Mrs. Helen Belts, Pilot Rock

J. A. Wilson, Albany

W. Loyd, Milton

E. L. Everett and wife, Boise

Miss Lulu Ray, Weston

Miss Grace Ray, Weston

Albert Baran, Havana

R. P. Anderson, Haines

Mrs. Belle Williams, Meacham

Mrs. Eunice Roach, Meacham

O. G. Allen, city

O. E. Larkins, Helix

F. L. Moke, city

F. J. Norton, Portland

F. M. Van Horn, Portland

V. W. Beaman, city

W. C. E. Pruitt and wife, city

Charles Ramer, Walla Walla

Jerry Stone, Athena

F. E. P. Springer and wife, Weston

J. A. Chidester, Tekoa

Miss Cora Robeson, Spokane

Mrs. Marie Jonoth, Portland

H. H. Edwards and wife, city

Dr. Blakeslee, city

F. H. Norwood, Pasadena

W. S. Brown and wife, city

W. J. Benson, Cold Springs

Miss Bessie Mericle, city

J. S. Sandford, Baker City

Alfred Roesch, Seattle

J. E. Redman, Ellensburg

Miss Pearl Sturdevan, Lind

The Pendleton.

T. Biggs, Dayton

G. Smith, Dayton

Julius Green, Portland

A. O. Harrison, Chicago

C. C. Shay, Chicago

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R. A. Seeds, Spokane

E. Costello, Starbuck

J. Jessie, Starbuck

A. Y. Alexander, Starbuck

J. H. Koeckner, Spokane

W. D. Marks, Spokane

Miss Margaret Menley, Nelson

F. S. Green, Portland

T. G. Gibson, Portland

Thomas Melarkey, city

Ben H. Burroughs, city

T. Sanders, city

B. Wescott, Portland

A. Oppenheimer, San Francisco

W. R. Shepherd, Spokane

A. Shurtluff, Helena

W. H. Crossland, Minneapolis

P. M. Nevens, Seattle

Howard Reynolds and wife, San Francisco

A. Sinsheimer, Portland

A. A. Allen, Tacoma

A. L. Young, Portland

A. H. Caston, Spokane

G. J. McEvoy, Starbuck

Mrs. T. G. Hailey and children, city

C. Ades, Spokane

S. J. Hayes, Starbuck

Miss Lucille Moorhouse, city

C. B. Reynolds, Kerney

W. S. Berdan, Jr., San Francisco

J. P. Isaacs, Walla Walla

Miss D. H. Bernhart, San Francisco

G. S. Youngman, Portland

E. Coman, Portland

F. C. Allen, Seattle

M. M. Gottdiner, Portland

Jules Green, Portland

F. H. Dayton, St. Louis

The Official Time.

Jerrold—As I was saying, I had \$30 on Topnotch at 100 to 1. The race was six furlongs and Topnotch won.

Harold—What was the time?

Jerrold—Why er—I heard the clock strike 2 just as I woke up!—Puck.

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