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WEATHER FORECAST.

Tonight showers, cooler. Saturday partly cloudy with showers. Strong southerly breeze.

INVESTIGATING GOVERNOR BRADY

Special Agent of the Interior Department Returns From a Tour of Alaska.

ESTIMATE THIS YEAR'S ALASKAN GOLD OUTPUT.

Special Terms of Court Being Held at Valdez—Decided Not to Transfer the Affairs of the Panama Canal From the War Department to the State Department—The Cabinet Considers Russia's Invitation to the Hague Conference—Cabinet Decides Not to Be More Lenient in the Policy of Admitting Chinamen to America, But to Keep the Present System in Force.

Juneau, Alaska, Oct. 6.—Fred S. Churchill, a special agent for the interior department to investigate Governor Brady as to school matters and the alleged reindeer graft, has arrived here after a tour of the interior and coast. He will go to Wrangle and Ketchikan, then return to Washington.

Federal Judge James Wickersham says Fairbanks will produce \$6,000,000; Nome \$4,000,000, a total for Alaska of \$12,000,000 this year. He is en route to Valdez to hold special terms of court.

Will Not Transfer Canal Affairs.

Following the cabinet meeting, it was announced the president, upon the advice of the cabinet, has decided not to transfer the Panama canal from the jurisdiction of the war to the state department, but leave it where it is.

The cabinet considered the reply to Russia's invitation to The Hague conference.

It was decided not to send out the proposed circular instructing consuls to China to be more lenient in regard to applications for certificates allowing Chinese to enter this country.

WORST GALE IN MANY YEARS.

Great Damage to Shipping Interests on the Sound.

Seattle, Oct. 5.—The worst gale in many years last night and this morning has badly crippled the service of all steamer lines. Few boats left their berths to take the run today.

The damage on Lake Washington is great. Sixteen launches are sunk or wrecked and a dozen houseboats battered. The flood of water forcing the occupants to abandon them.

The gale is still raging and grave fears are entertained for the safety of the steamer Ohio, three days overdue from Nome. She has over 500 passengers and a large cargo of gold.

Reports of hourly damage to small craft come from Sound points. No lives are reported lost.

It is impossible to get telephone or telegraphic communication from any point north. The Alaska cable is suspended also.

REUNION AT ASOTIN.

Fifty Old Soldiers March Behind a Battle-Scarred Flag.

Asotin, Wash., Oct. 6.—Fifty gray-haired veterans of the civil war, marched up Main street yesterday behind the battle-pleated and battle-scarred flag of the Ninth Illinois mounted infantry, carried by Frank Huber.

It is the first reunion of the old soldiers of southeastern Washington, Wallawa county, Oregon, and Nez Perce county, Idaho, and the veterans came from various places over this wide area.

J. P. Watkins, commander of J. J. Lewis post, was officer of the day.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET.

Quotations From the Greatest Wheat Market in the United States.

Chicago, Oct. 6.—Wheat closed today at 84 1-8; corn at 44 1-4, and oats at 28.

Start for Georgia Tonight.

Montreal, Oct. 6.—The signed warrants for Gaynor and Greene were handed United States officers this afternoon. They will likely start for Georgia tonight with their prisoners.

Thirteen Indictments.

Peoria, Oct. 6.—Thirteen indictments against Superintendent Dougherty are announced. The total defalcation will likely reach \$200,000. The bail required under those returned will be \$12,700. Impression deepens that Dougherty will waive examination and plead guilty.

WOMAN WAS ELECTROCUTED.

Three Other Persons Badly Shocked by an Accident at Butte.

Butte, Mont., Oct. 6.—While assisting in the rescue of her 13-year-old son, who had been rendered unconscious by an electrical shock, Mary Jane Price was electrocuted tonight. The boy was seriously burned about the hands and body, but he is expected to recover. Samuel Price, husband of the deceased woman, suffered a severe shock while dragging the boy's body away from the wire, and Arthur Merrick was knocked down by a current of electricity while attempting to rescue Mrs. Price.

The fatality occurred at the Price residence shortly after 8 o'clock. Children playing about the yard during the afternoon had hooked a section of balling wire over a feed wire carrying 2200 volts of electricity. The wire is used to feed arc lights, and the power was not turned on until a short time before the accident. The boys had played with the dangling length of wire during the day, but felt no electricity because the current had not been turned on.

HOLDUPS SHOOT SMALL BOY.

Eleven-Year-Old George Gemmel Injured at Seattle.

Seattle, Oct. 6.—George Gemmel, an 11-year-old boy, was fatally shot, and Constable Sam Klein slightly wounded as the result of an attempt to hold up and rob the grocery store of Gladstone & Green, at 304 Fifth avenue, shortly after 5 o'clock this evening.

George Chickering, alias Thomas Daley, and John Nolan, two of the men implicated in the holdup, are under arrest, and the police are searching for a third man, who was seen by two or three spectators of the affair, but who made his escape during the excitement. Chickering is known to have been implicated in similar affairs in Tacoma.

Waives Requisition.

Butte, Oct. 6.—Pat Crowe waives requisition and all formalities, and leaves with detectives for Omaha. Today he relates how he spent Canby's \$25,000. Most of it in saloons, making a good fellow of himself. Much went towards making the getaway from Omaha. He denies the contemplated holding up of Count Creighton.

NEW RAILROAD TO YELLOWSTONE

FROM ST. ANTHONY TO WESTERN BORDER.

Expected to be in Operation in Time for the Season of 1906—Will Be Approximately Seventy Miles in Length and Will Make All the Famous Sights of the Yellowstone Park More Easily Accessible Than by the Present Inlet From the North or Montana Side—Contracts Are Being Let at This Time.

San Francisco, Oct. 6.—A new company has just been formed to build the Yellowstone Park railroad from St. Anthony, Idaho, to the western entrance to the Yellowstone National Park, near Madison river. The contracts for construction and grading are now being let, and it is expected to have the road in operation in time for the 1906 season.

The distance from St. Anthony, Idaho, to Madison river will be about 70 miles. It will be approximately 17 miles from the park to the Lower Fountain hole of the lower geyser basin. This will make the park very much more accessible, and will enable visitors to make the entire round trip from the park line in four days. A hotel will be built at the end of the line on the Madison river.

LEWISTON EXCURSION.

Portland Business Men Will Go to the Idaho City for a Day.

The Oregon Daily Journal gives the following schedule of the Lewiston excursion train which will run from Portland next week:

Stops will be made at Pendleton, Athena, Milton, Walla Walla, Prescott, Watsburg, Dayton, Moscow, Pullman and Colfax. The excursion party will leave Portland October 18, at 8:15 o'clock on a regular train of the O. R. & N. company. At Pendleton the company will put on a special train consisting of a locomotive, baggage car, day coach, diner and three Pullman sleepers, on which the run will be made to Moscow, where the party will take a Northern Pacific train to Lewiston, arriving there Friday morning, October 20, at 7:30 o'clock.

To get the special train there must be not less than 75 passengers. The round trip fare will be \$25.50, which includes Pullman berths, three meals on a dining car and a fund for entertainment of the excursionists and their friends at points along the route. The cars will be decorated with streamers having the words "An open river to the sea," "40-foot channel" and "Portland points the way." The excursionists will wear a badge bearing the single word "Portland."

GENERAL MANAGER DID NOT KNOW PRESIDENT'S SALARY

Nepotism Prevailed in the Distribution of Mutual Life Funds for Investment—Relatives Had "Pulls."

McCurdy Makes a Labored and Foggy Explanation of the System of Favoritism Worked by the Finance Committee at the Expense of the Policy-Holders—Commissions Paid Investing Agencies Were Highest in New York and in Texas, for Reasons Which Exactly Contradicted Each Other—Nepotism Governed in the Sending of Money for Investment to Texas—The Auditor of the Mutual Displayed on the Stand Ridiculous and Shameful Ignorance of the Company's Accounts.

New York, Oct. 6.—Robert H. McCurdy was a witness in the insurance investigation this morning. He said the finance committee fixed the salary of officers. The president's salary had not been changed during the two years he was on the committee. He did not know the president's salary and did not know if anybody did.

Hughes probed into the affairs of C. H. Raymond & Co., of New York, representatives of the Mutual, of which the agent, Thibault, McCurdy's brother-in-law, is a partner. McCurdy gave a long explanation of how he had saved the company \$47,000 annually through his supervision of the company alone. Raymond & Co. said the witness, when he became general manager of the Mutual, was doing an annual business of \$17,000,000.

Asked how he justified his failure to make inquiries as to how much the firm was making out of the Mutual company, he made a long technical explanation of how the general agent is really an independent merchant, and when the general agent made great profits it means the company was profited greatly. The "system" offers large rewards for large achievements that built up business. McCurdy said Raymond & Co.'s remuneration was about the same as that of general agents of other companies.

McCurdy Contradicts Himself. Hughes warned out of McCurdy the statement that the rates and commissions paid Raymond & Co. are higher than anywhere else except in Texas. Inquiry developed the fact that the Texas representatives are Chamberlain and Gillette. Gillette is a brother of former general manager of the Mutual. McCurdy had said the expenses of getting business in New York are higher. Then he said the expense in Texas is higher because the country is sparsely settled, making much travel necessary. Hughes remarked it is peculiar that expenses are higher in New York where it is thickly settled, and also higher in Texas where the people are scattered.

Preller Displayed His Ignorance. Charles A. Preller, auditor of the Mutual, produced books showing the account of last year for advertising, stationery and postage to be \$1,124,823.76. Asked concerning the total account, he said \$264,254.94 was expended for legal expenses in 1904. He displayed such woeful ignorance of the accounts as to cause much laughter.

THREE DEAD BABES FOUND.

Garbage Heap in Portland Contains Grossest Objects.

Portland, Oct. 6.—Three dead infants were found in a rubbish heap on Twelfth street, between Overton and Pettygrove, this morning, by Mounted Policemen J. F. Anderson, Deputy Coroner Baldwin, with the aid of the policeman and detectives, is endeavoring to ascertain who is responsible.

As soon as the officer made the discovery he went immediately to headquarters, where he made a report of the affair. On his return to the place two of the bodies had been removed and have not been found.

The attention of the policeman was attracted to the place by the odor that arose from a garbage heap. The garbage was placed there during the night and the officer began to investigate. In an empty barrel he found three bodies. The barrel was placed on a pile of lumber which had been partially burned, evidently in the hope that they would be cremated. He left them as they were found and returned to the station.

Deputy Coroner Baldwin was detailed by the coroner to investigate and found a number of articles in the rubbish heap that led to the belief that the rubbish was taken either from a hospital or from a medical school. A pair of rubber gloves and numerous other articles used by surgeons and physicians were found.

He also ascertained the driver of the garbage wagon to be H. Wade. Wade says he got the refuse from the medical college. A further investigation will be made to find out who can be blamed for such carelessness.

Gould Faction's Inning.

St. Louis, Oct. 6.—Attorneys representing the Gould faction filed an answer and argued the Ramsey petition today. They questioned the jurisdiction of the court, and attacked Ramsey's motives.

Lodging House Collapsed.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 6.—A lodging-house in this city collapsed this morning, burying all the 29 inmates. It is believed many were killed.

Belmont Improving.

New York, Oct. 6.—August Belmont's condition is good this morning.

NORTH BANK GRADERS TO BEGIN WORK

General Manager McCabe of the Washington & Columbia River railroad announced this morning that Sims & Shields, who have the contract for building the entire new railway line down the north bank of the Columbia for the Hill interests, have arranged to put a big grading and track laying crew to work at a point opposite Alnaworth next Monday morning. Teams and supplies are being rushed to the new camp and by next week actual construction work on the projected line will be in full swing. Sims & Shields will establish their headquarters at the new camp and from that point will direct the stupendous work started down the Columbia river. The crews at work opposite Wallula are being augmented by the arrival of additional graders and supplies being shipped from Portland. The right of way is practically surveyed out between Wallula and Kennewick and engineers are now engaged in surveying along the river between Wallula and Vancouver.

FOUR BOYS AT ONE BIRTH.

There Are Six Known Cases of Quadruplets.

Trenton, N. J., Oct. 6.—Mrs. David Johnson, of Kingston, 15 miles from here, gave birth to quadruplets, all of them boys, and her husband has promptly notified President Roosevelt and requested him to name the four youngsters, who are said to do well and strong and promise to live.

The birth of quadruplets is a very rare occurrence and in nearly every known case they were girls. In July 1899 quadruplets were born to the 14-year-old wife of James Platt, of Union Mills, Ind. At that time there were only five cases known to exist in this country. Mrs. Johnson's case is the sixth. Two of the sets of quadruplets were born in Illinois and one in Ohio. In Paris, out of 198,000 births in 40 years, there has been but one case of quadruplets.

YAKIMA TAKES FIRST MONEY.

Best County Exhibit of Horticultural Products.

North Yakima, Oct. 5.—Yakima county carried off the first prize of \$550 today in the awards for county exhibits. This exhibit was prepared by the horticultural union and was the finest ever seen in Yakima. This display will be taken to the interstate fair at Spokane to compete for prizes given there.

The second prize was won by Pierce county. H. Benthelm, of Puyallup, was the exhibitor for that county. The first prize for individual farm produce was carried off by W. A. Lee, of Yakima.

Anti-Cigarette Ordinance.

Boise, Oct. 6.—A new ordinance will be presented to the city council at an early date, which is aimed to correct the defect in the existing law in regard to selling cigarettes to boys under age. The present ordinance provides a penalty for any person selling cigarettes or tobacco to minors, but unlike the law in other states, it places no penalty on a child found using tobacco. The proposed law which has been suggested by Judge Willis Brown of Salt Lake, will make it a misdemeanor for any child under the age of responsibility to smoke a cigarette or to use tobacco in any form.

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MORE STEAMERS OUT OF PORTLAND

DAILY SERVICE TO BE ESTABLISHED TO HONOLULU.

Following the Completion of the North Bank Road a Line of Swift Freight and Passenger Vessels Will Be Put on the Pacific—Six Vessels Are Now Contemplated—They Will Be Veritable Ocean Greyhounds.

The Oregon Daily Journal announces the establishment of a new line of vessels out of Portland as follows:

A line of fast passenger steamers running daily between Portland, San Francisco, San Pedro and Honolulu will immediately follow the construction of the north bank line of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroads, without waiting for any further deepening of the channel from Portland to the sea. A financial agent of the Hamburg-American line is in Portland, and has made final investigations and recommendations upon which will be based construction of six steamships of a large type.

The boats fully laden will draw 25 feet of water. The company has adopted the plan of the Clyde Line steamship line. They will be 400 feet long on the deck line, with two tiers of cabins above the main deck, and built only for first cabin and tourist travel. Their carrying capacity will be 6000 tons, 400 first-class passengers and 220 tourist passengers. They will have twin screw turbine engines, and will run at a speed of 20 knots. The structural work will be of the best of open heart steel, and the boats will be ready for operation before the end of next year.

Complete plans for the project have been made, and the new company aim to be first in the field to take advantage of the growth of Pacific oriental trade through Portland. boats will be operated with a view to accommodating European and York travel via the Panama or Honolulu. A boat will leave land every Wednesday for San Francisco, San Pedro and Honolulu picking up the tourist passenger all over the world.

Brotherhood Elects Its

St. Paul, Oct. 6.—The I. O. O. F. Brotherhood of Blacksmiths had a stormy session and elected J. W. Kilne, of president.

Earthquake at

Belogna, Italy, Oct. 6.—quake occurred in this city.

Marriage Lic

A marriage license to Albert Harala of this county.

CONFERENCE OF MORMON CHURCH

Latter Day Saints Are Met in Seventy-sixth Annual General Session.

FIVE THOUSAND ARE PRESENT AT OPENING.

The President of the Church Urges the Duty and Necessity of Obedience and of Paying Tithes—The Anti-Smith Faction Will Make a Demonstration, But It May Be of Comparatively Little Moment, With a Possibility That Its Efforts Will Be Entirely Abortive and That That Element Will Sustain the Present Church Administration.

Salt Lake, Oct. 6.—The 76th general conference of the Mormon church has assembled here for a four-days' session this morning, with 5000 in attendance.

President Joseph H. Smith and his counselors expostulated with his followers on the necessity of rigid obedience to the law of tithing. Joseph Smith, president of the reorganized church, will be an interested listener at the anticipated demonstration by the anti-Smith members. It may not materialize, but is expected on the day of voting, to sustain the officers.

CONFESSED PERJURY.

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KONG YOU WAI COMING.

Reception and Public Meeting Tonight in Armory Hall.

Kong You Wai, leader of the Chinese reform movement, and a man who is known all over the world, will arrive here tonight on the evening train from Walla Walla. He will then remain here over night and after meeting with the Chinese residents of this place, will go on to Portland. The spent reform leader is accompanied by three others of his nationality and by an American who aids in the work in the United States.

In speaking of the reception that would be tendered Kong You Wai while here, Ung Goy, the local merchant said this afternoon that he would be met at the depot by all the Chinese residents of the city. From there the party will be driven in a four-horse vehicle to the Hotel Pendleton, where they will have their headquarters while here.

In the evening a reception and dinner will be tendered the party in the association hall over Goy's store. Following that a meeting of all the Chinese will be held in the Armory, and an address will be delivered in the Chinese language by the famous visitor. However, white people will be admitted to the meeting upon the invitation of Chinese residents. It is expected that the party will leave here tomorrow for Portland.

Exhibitors Are Surprised.

Exhibitors who received awards in the agricultural exhibit of the Lewis and Clark fair are surprised and pleased with the result of the Umatilla county exhibit as published in the East Oregonian last night. While nearly all took great interest in coming to the exhibit from this county, they expected medals to be awarded in the agricultural exhibit.