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## PERSONAL MENTION

J. W. Smith of Helix is a Pendleton business visitor today.

Charles Holman of Echo, is transacting business in Pendleton.

C. S. McNaught of Hermiston, is a Pendleton business visitor today.

W. A. Brown of the Hotel Pendleton, left on the delayed noon train for Portland.

Paul Sperry left this morning for Castle Rock, where his sheep are being wintered.

Mrs. J. L. Parker and Miss Soranson of Stanfield, are guests of the Hotel St. George.

William Leathers, the Hermiston rancher, is transacting business in Pendleton today.

W. J. Furnish of Portland, returned home this afternoon after caring for business interests here.

Attorney Dan P. Smythe has gone to Portland, for a few days for the transaction of business.

A. R. Smith of Echo, came up from his home in that town last evening and is transacting business here today.

District Attorney G. W. Phelps went out to Pilot Rock this morning on business in connection with his office.

R. F. Bicknell, the well-known sheepman from the eastern part of the state, is here from his home in Ontario.

J. T. Mayo, superintendent of bridges and building for the O. R. & N., is in the city today in an official capacity.

R. Alexander, proprietor of the Alexander department store, went to Hermiston this afternoon on a brief business trip.

Attorney Samuel E. Van Vactor of Heppner, returned home this morning after transacting legal business in Pendleton yesterday.

J. H. Strohm, a Hermiston merchant, made a flying business visit to Pendleton last evening, returning home on the delayed train.

George G. Schlegel, cashier of the bank at Pilot Rock, is here for the transaction of business in connection with his financial institution.

Dr. Elmer Hill leaves tonight for Walla Walla and later in the week will go on to Wabburg, where he will probably locate permanently.

Attorney J. P. Neal of Freewater, came down from the fruit town last evening and returned this morning after transacting business last night.

E. P. Marshall went to Echo on the noon train for the purpose of being on the ground at the head of the Coe-Furnish ditch in case a flood should come as a result of the thaw.

J. N. Burgess came in last evening from the ranch of the Cunningham Sheep and Land company and left this morning in company with Mrs. Burgess, for a visit to The Dalles.

George Bowman, formerly with the Taylor Hardware company, but now traveling salesman for a Portland wholesale house, left this morning for a brief visit to the town of Pilot Rock.

R. H. MacWhorter and family of Pilot Rock, left this morning for the west end of the county on business for the independent telephone systems of which he is the secretary and manager.

President W. H. Daughtrey of the Union Stockyards company of Portland, who has been here for the past few days in connection with the taking of testimony in the Echo water suit, has remained over today for the transaction of business.

Attorney Harrison Allen of Portland, who has been here and at Echo for the past three days, taking additional testimony in the case of the Allen Ditch company versus the Henrietta Milling company, left this morning for his home in the metropolis.

R. W. Walpole of Irrigon, is here today on business in connection with the Irrigon Irrigating company.

down from the sheriff's office as soon as anything definite can be learned.

### PLACE IS NOT SETTLED.

Rickard Denies That Any Definite Agreement for Jeff-Johnson Fight Is Made.

San Francisco, Feb. 24.—Although he admitted that in all probability the Jeffries-Johnson fight would take place in this city, Tex Rickard, in a statement given to the press last night, denied that a definite agreement had been reached. He declared that the reported conference with Supervisor Herget, at which such an agreement was said to have been entered into was nothing more than a friendly talk between Herget and himself and said that Jack Gleason, his fellow promoter, was not present. Rickard said that owing to the pressure of other business he had been unable to meet Gleason in conference as yet but that they would get together tomorrow when he hoped the matter would be settled beyond question.

The fact that Rickard, Gleason and Sam Berger, Jeffries' manager, have agreed to go to Santa Cruz, some 70 miles south of here, next Sunday to inspect the quarters offered to Jeffries as a training camp, is taken to mean that Rickard and Herget reached an understanding during their stay which will bring the fight here.

### HEAVY LAND SALE REPORTED IN NEHALEM

Portland, Feb. 24.—It is reported here that Henry Turish of Duluth and his associates, purchased a large portion of the Benson holdings in Nehalem county. Benson is in southern California, and official confirmation is lacking. Turish is heavily interested in timber adjoining Benson's holdings and also in Idaho. The portion said to be transferred contains eighteen thousand acres in the southwestern part of Columbia county and the price is supposed to be near two millions.

### FEUD AT MUMINVILLE.

Acad Men Quarrel, Fight and One Probably Fatally Wounded. MUMINVILLE, Ore., Feb. 24.—Leonard Palm, aged sixty-two, was today bound over to the grand jury for the shooting Monday of Mathias Zettle, aged fifty. Zettle has two bullets in his chest and death is expected momentarily. Neither will reveal the cause of the fight, but it is known there had been bitter enmity for years. The shooting followed a fistie encounter Monday. The feudists resided in the vicinity of Bear Camp.

### FIVE TUGS STRUGGLING TO SAVE STEAMER'S CREW

Dover, Del., Feb. 24.—Five tugs are struggling desperately today to rescue the crew of an unidentified steamer which is being broken to pieces on Goodwin Sands. It is improbable that the life savers will be able to reach those on board. The steamer was driven ashore last night by a gale.

### TUNNEL CAVE-IN STOPS ALL S. P. COAST TRAFFIC

San Luis, Obispo, Cal., Feb. 24.—Passenger and freight traffic of the Southern Pacific coast line is suspended today by a tunnel cave-in near here. All trains are diverted. It will probably be a week before the tunnel can be cleared.

### CONGRESS WILL DECIDE UPON PEARY'S CLAIMS

Washington, Feb. 24.—The question as to whether Commander Peary deserves recognition by congress for his announced discovery of the North Pole will be submitted to a board of arbitration. This decision was practically reached today.

### IDAHO LAND FRAUDERS CLOSE DEFENSE TODAY

Boise, Feb. 24.—The defense in the land fraud trial is closing its case today with William Dwyer on stand. A general denial of the government allegations has been entered.

### Nab Alleged Jewel Thief.

Denver, Feb. 23.—In James Clayton, alias Dutch Otto, who was arrested last Friday in Denver in company with James Morgan, the alleged Glenwood Springs bank robber, the police assert they have one of the three men who three years ago blew the safe of John Draydon and Sons, jewelers, at Salt Lake city. Jewelry valued at \$15,000 is said to have been obtained at the time.

The police say that Clayton, when confronted with a photograph on a circular issued by the Salt Lake police three years ago, broke down and confessed. A reward of \$1000 for his arrest was offered at the time and Chief Armstrong has notified the Salt Lake police.

### Ship Reported Capsized.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 23.—It is reported that a private cablegram was received here today from London by a local grain exporting concern to the effect that the British ship Calverton capsized and sank yesterday while being towed from Antwerp to New Castle on Tyne and that all hands were lost. Asked to confirm the receipt of the cablegram the manager of the company denied any news whatever on the subject.

### Indian Liquor Sellers Convicted.

Washington, Feb. 24.—The crusade of the bureau of Indian affairs against selling whisky to Indians has resulted in more than a thousand convictions in the last 18 months. Most of those against whom a verdict of guilty was rendered received jail sentences as well as fines.

### Yeggmen Make Haul.

Myrtle Creek, Ore., Feb. 24.—The safe of the general store of Rice brothers here was dynamited this morning and \$100 in cash and \$7000 in notes taken. No clue to the yeggmen has been obtained.

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### NATURAL GAS DISCOVERED IN SANDPOINT IDAHO

Sandpoint, Idaho.—"Natural gas has been discovered right in the city of Sandpoint, practically speaking," said Frank J. McBride, president of the Northern Realty company when telling of the find made by him two months ago, but which has been kept a secret until options could be obtained on several acres of land in the vicinity of the discovery.

In telling of the discovery of gas, McBride said he was up the lake and while looking over some ranch land stopped at what he supposed was a spring for a drink of water. As he stooped over the pool he scented gas, which came up through the water in bubbles.

Thinking he was mistaken, he took closer observations and became convinced that he had found gas.

McBride got up a sort of home made contrivance constructed out of old coal oil cans with which he succeeded in obtaining quite a quantity of the gas for test purposes. It burns

like any natural gas and is said to be highly efficient for commercial purposes. Samples were sent to Moscow, Pullman, Spokane and Tacoma, and in each instance reports made by chemists have been flattering.

While McBride refuses to talk a great deal, he did state that if the gas turned out as the indications point a company will be organized and the gas piped to this city and elsewhere to be used for commercial purposes. It is located about 18 miles from Sandpoint, on Lake Pond d'Oreille.

Percy For U. S. Senator Jackson, Miss., Feb. 22.— Leroy Percy of Greenville, was chosen as candidate for United States senator from Mississippi tonight on the 58th ballot of the democratic caucus, by a majority over former Governor Vardaman. When balloting was resumed tonight all the candidates withdrew except Percy and Vardaman. Percy received 87 votes and Vardaman 81. The nomination is equivalent to an election.

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### TRACTION COMPANY GETS MORE TIME

COUNCIL GRANTS 6 MONTHS EXTENSION OF FRANCHISE

Washington-Oregon Company Given Until Sept. 11 to Complete First Three Miles of Line—No Protest or Argument on Motion.

Without a single word of argument or protest, the city council in regular session last evening, extended the time of the franchise granted the Washington-Oregon company for a period of six months. It had been reported during the day that a fight was to be made on the proposed extension and that there was almost a certainty that the time limit would not be extended. This rumor caused several to gather at the council chambers to witness the fun, but they had their trouble for their pains. The members of the council had had a caucus the day before and had come to a satisfactory agreement. As a result, there was merely the introduction of the resolution and the voting on it.

As the matter now stands, the franchise remains exactly as it was before with the exception that the company has been given until Sept. 11, instead of March 11, to complete its first three miles of track.

Two other measures of importance were acted on last evening. These were the passage of the ordinance prohibiting the erection of barns or stables within 40 feet of a dwelling and the one making it necessary to secure building permits before changes can be made to any building or before a new one can be erected within the city.

The remainder of the session was consumed with the transaction of mere routine business.

### DR. WILEY TELLS WHY WOMEN SHOULD VOTE

Chicago.—At the annual banquet of the Harvard club of Chicago held last night at the University club, it was of little use for learned and honored men, the speakers of the evening, to say wise things in sober tones. It all was lost, or nearly all, in the flood of college fellowship.

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, chemist of the United States department of agriculture did win attention, however, when he argued for co-education and for the recognition of woman's rights.

"What are we going to do with the women anyway?" he asked. "They are now beating at the gates of Harvard. They are the Trojan horse of the university and some day they will scale her walls and enter. The women will not be denied. They some day will do the voting and why should they not? We have no time to stop and argue against them. There is no argument. We had better quit now and let them have their rights. Harvard recognizes the fact that woman is a human being and deserving of an education on an equality with man."

### ROCKEFELLER IS TURNING FARM INTO BIG AVIARY

Mount Vernon, N. Y.—The arrival of 1,800 partridges at the country home of John D. Rockefeller at Pocantico Hills brought to light the fact that Rockefeller is laying a veritable bird paradise on his preserve.

In one section of his great private park are 10,000 acres he has laid out a feeding ground for his vast collection of feathered creatures. On tall trees cages for partridges, pigeons and other birds have been placed, while there is also a separate building for hundreds of pheasants, rare birds of various plumage and squirrels.

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## NO SOLUTION YET TO ECHO'S MYSTERY

So far as can be ascertained from telephonic reports from Echo, there have been no new developments in the mystery occasioned by the discovery of what is believed to be a human foot by the C. A. Chapman dog.

It was reported to the sheriff's office last evening that the find was not a human foot at all and that it was not discovered under the building formerly occupied by the "bucket of blood" saloon. This report said that it was a bone which the dog had picked up under the floor of the meat market.

This report, is contradicted, however, by County Road Master Dave Lavender who was formerly city marshal of Weston. Mr. Lavender saw the gruesome find and he declared that it is a portion of a human foot, beyond all doubt. He says he has seen at least three different cases which were similar and that it is impossible for him to be mistaken in this. He says the relic found by the dog was that portion of the foot below the joint just in front of the heel. Some of the sinews are yet attached and the great toe is there in its entirety. There are also portions of some of the other toes, but most of these are missing.

In the opinion of Mr. Lavender the owner of the foot has been dead for at least two years and possibly longer. That being the case it is doubtful if any clue to the identity of the murdered man or the murderer will ever be discovered.

Marshal Boreman is conducting the investigation, but so far the ground has been so badly frozen that it is impossible for him to make any very great headway. A man will be sent

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