

IT IS HIGH PRESSURE HOT AIR CURRENTS

SPOKANE ASTRONOMER SAYS HALLEY'S COMET IS TAME

Takes No Stock in Forecasts About Its Life Exterminating Gases—Has Been Sizzling Around for Many Centuries—Is Visible Now.

Spokane, Wash.—"Forecasts by so-called scientists in various parts of the country that the gases in the tail of Halley's comet will presently poison mankind or cause other calamities may be properly termed 'high pressure hot air currents'."

Father Adams, S. J., professor of astronomy at Gonzaga College of Spokane, made the foregoing observation in referring to statements attributed to observers in California and elsewhere.

"Halley's comet has been sizzling around its ordained orbit century after century, just as its creator designed it to do," said Father Adams, adding: "Were there any devastating elements in the appendage of the visitor humanity would have been exterminated regularly every 76 years."

"It seems that such incidents in earthly affairs would naturally attract some attention. They might even have a slight tendency to affect the increase of population and check the progress of human events generally. Very little suspicion along this line is sufficient antidote for sensational predictions as to Halley's comet, even though they are made by alleged scientists."

Father Adams claims he has definitely located the comet, having seen it through a telescope the night of February 22, saying:

"The moon is so bright just now that it is difficult to catch the light from anything else, but the comet showed fairly well. There were little streaks out from the edges that I judge to be evidences of the tail. The comet may be visible to the naked eye early in March at the speed it is traveling, but not sooner. To locate it, take the line formed by the two lower stars of the constellation Orion and follow it north to a point just above the planet Saturn. On that line above and slightly west of Saturn the comet should be found, but not without at least four-inch glasses."

OREGON WILL SUPPORT NEXT NATIONAL IRRIGATION MEET

Pueblo, Colo., Mar. 8.—The Eighteenth National Irrigation Congress, Pueblo, September 26-30, 1910, is assured of the hearty co-operation and support of the state of Oregon, which has, itself, entertained in recent years, this greatest development agency of the country.

Governor Benson, writing to the board of control, extends his hearty greeting and promise of aid, saying: "I beg to advise you that I am in hearty accord with the objects of your organization and, while I cannot state definitely at this time whether or not I shall be able to attend the sessions of the congress to be held in your city, I assure you that I shall be on hand for more important official engagements do not interfere."

"In any event, I shall do everything in my power to secure the attendance of a large and enthusiastic delegation of Oregon citizens at the congress; and when the time comes for the appointment of delegates I shall see that Oregon is properly represented."

The most cordial correspondence has passed between Governor Benson and the officers of the board of control, who are pleased to know that a coast state is planning on adequate representation.

Governor Benson has been urged by the board of control to appoint his delegates at an early date and transmit their names to the organization here that it may begin to get into active touch with them. The governor has also been asked to submit a list of topics which he thinks may be interesting for discussion at the Eighteenth Congress, in view of his familiarity with western problems that will undoubtedly come within the range of consideration.

The entire coast country, particularly those state vitally interested in irrigation, is responding to the invitation of the local officers here.

PORTLAND POLICE CHIEF AFTER SUNDAY DANCE HALLS

Portland, Ore., March 8.—Chief of Police Cox got after the dance halls last night and ordered that they be closed and remain so every Sunday in the future.

Sunday afternoon and evening have been regarded as the banner times of the week by the dancehall proprietors from a mercenary standpoint. The

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dancehall feature has heretofore been one of the magnets which attracted throngs of people to The Oaks, Council Crest and other amusement resorts on Sundays. These places also have come under the ban of the police chief.

The action of the police head came after he had dug up an old, musty statute book which included a state law prohibiting dancing on Sunday. He made a further investigation and found, so far as he was able to learn, that this particular law had never been repealed. No city ordinance was ever drafted that might be interpreted to place a lid on Sunday dancing. Guided by the state law, Chief Cox issued the order forbidding dancing in amusement resorts.

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OPERATION SAVES YOUTH.

Stone Thrown by Another Boy Causes Clot on Brain.

Eugene, Ore., March 8.—The life of De Witt Hoening, a boy 14, has been saved by an operation at the general hospital which removed a clot of blood from the brain.

The trouble was caused by a stone thrown by another boy which struck the Hoening boy behind the ear. The accident occurred Friday afternoon about 4 o'clock, but the boy did not notice it until evening, when he became ill.

By 10 o'clock he was unconscious, and a physician was called.

The boy was taken to the hospital and a section of his skull removed. He is now conscious and will doubtless recover.

BOOTLEGGING IS CHARGE.

Two Springfield Men Are Arrested for Selling Liquor Illegally.

Springfield, Ore., March 8.—Edward Cooper, a local cigar dealer, has been arrested on a charge of bootlegging. The liquor was sold and the sale witnessed by Deputy Marshal William C. Lyons, who swore out the warrant. Cooper is a new resident here and asked for time in which to plead. He will be heard Monday.

Dick Spang, over whose head five indictments for bootlegging hung for several months, was also arrested here this afternoon by Deputy Sheriff R. M. Pratt and taken to Eugene. His case will be heard before the circuit court.

Hardware Men Are Cut-ups.
Denver, Colo., March 8.—Retail hardware men of Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming assembled at the Albany today for a business meeting which will continue through tomorrow.

PEARY AND SHACKLETON WILL MEET AT BANQUET

New York—Commander Robert E. Peary, "Northwest North," and Sir Ernest Shackleton, "Farthest South," are to be brought together under the auspices of the Civic Forum as guests of honor at a banquet in this city April 20.

This will be on the eve of Commander Peary's departure for Europe as he sails the following morning with Mrs. Peary, their two children, and Captain Bartlett of the Roosevelt, in order to reach London by May 4, when he is scheduled to receive the gold medal of the Royal Geographical society in Royal Albert Hall. A silver medal will be presented to Captain Bartlett.

On Shackleton's arrival in this country, Commander Peary will make the address of welcome at his first lecture in America, to be given in Carnegie Hall, March 29. Joseph H. Choate will preside.

On the afternoon of their arrival, Sir Ernest and Lady Shackleton will go to Washington as the guests of Ambassador Bryce. They will be presented formally to President Taft on Saturday, and then the president will confer upon Sir Ernest, at the request of the National Geographical society, that society's medal.

On the following Monday the Pilgrims will give a luncheon in honor of Sir Ernest, when he will receive the gold medal of the Geographical society.

INDOOR POLO TOURNAMENT.

New York, March 8.—The National Indoor Polo association opens its season here this evening with a tournament in the ring of the Tichenor-Grand Riding academy. The trophies comprise silver cups offered by well-known players and riding associations.

A Melancholy Lay.

This is no time for songs and jokes. The state of things forbids—With grip for all the grownup folks And measles for the kids.

SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF The Liverpool & London & Globe Ins. Co.

Of Liverpool, England, on the 31st day of December, 1909, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

CAPITAL	
Amount of capital paid up	None in United States
INCOME	
Premiums received during the year in cash	\$7,839,471.35
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	548,323.40
Income from other sources received during year	224,706.14
Total income	\$8,612,500.89
DISBURSEMENTS	
Losses paid during the year	\$5,689,244.45
Dividends paid during the year on capital stock	1,967,561.42
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	252,581.65
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	1,964,896.22
Amount of all other expenditures	
Total expenditures	\$7,874,382.74
ASSETS	
Value of real estate owned	\$1,551,406.12
Value of stocks and bonds owned	5,340,605.00
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	3,549,950.00
Cash in banks and on hand	1,624,484.41
Premiums in course of collection and in transmission	1,717,007.91
Interest and rents due and accrued	102,349.44
Total assets	\$13,885,802.88
LIABILITIES	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	\$ 630,569.19
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	7,000,160.31
Due for commission and brokerage	
All other liabilities	774,934.97
Total liabilities	\$8,405,664.47
Total insurance in force December 31, 1909	\$1,254,454,199.00
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR.	
Total risks written during the year	\$6,017,901.00
Gross premiums received during the year	121,305.76
Premiums returned during the year	19,072.30
Losses paid during the year	48,584.93
Losses incurred during the year	45,890.57
Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon Dec. 31, 1909	6,454,881.00

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