

WHAT THE ARMY ENGINEERS HAVE DONE AND ARE DOING FOR THE UNITED STATES

Washington.—Wars being few and far between, the ability and versatility of the engineer corps of the army have been employed in many spheres of government action. Only 49 of the full force of 188 are on duty with the engineer troops. The engineer corps now has charge of 1302 fortification emplacements. The engineers have charge of 1,208 projects relating to public works, having no connection with the military or defensive works. Lights and fog signals to the extent of 1678 in the 16 light-house districts are supervised by the engineers.

An army engineer, Captain H. M. Chittenden, made the first investigation of the west, to report on the possibility and advisability for building great reservoirs for irrigation purposes. Some of the varied duties and achievements of the corps include the following:

Field service with troops, as staff officers and in high command. The corps of engineers supplied many general officers to both armies, during the civil war, including Meade, McClellan and Rosecrans to the union army, and Lee, Johnston and Beauregard to the confederate army.

Construction of seacoast and field fortifications.

Supervision and construction of waterways improvements throughout the entire period that they have been carried on by the United States, including canals, rivers and harbors, on the seaboard and on the Great Lakes.

The Panama canal and the relocation of the Panama railroad.

The system of supplying and filtering water for the city of Washington.

The erection and maintenance of the system of supplying and filtering water for the city of Washington.

The construction and supervision, by the engineer commissioner and his assistants, of public works in the city of Washington, including streets, roads, bridges, sewers, water, lighting and buildings.

The supervision of public works during United States occupation of Cuba Porto Rico and the Philippines, including roads, fortifications, bridges, harbors, lighthouses and municipal improvements.

The construction of various public buildings, including the wings and the dome of the capitol, Washington monument, state, war and navy building, District of Columbia building, government printing office and numerous other buildings erected in the first half of the last century for the treasury department, involving difficult questions of construction.

The construction of roads and bridges in Alaska and in the Yellowstone national park.

The location and construction of national highways and of roads for several states during the first half of the last century.

The location and construction of canals for and under corporations prior to 1850.

As pioneer engineers on railroad construction, furnishing engineers that located and built the first and many other railroads in the United States and in foreign countries, including Mexico, Cuba and Russia.

The survey of the Great Lakes, still in their charge.

As commissioners engaged in the surveys of the northeastern, northern Mexican, and Alaskan boundaries of the United States and of the boundaries between many states.

The surveys for routes for a railroad to the Pacific in the fifties, which routes have since been followed by transcontinental railroads.

Military reconnaissances, surveys along and beyond the western frontier.

The first systematic topographical survey of its territory by the United States, known as the Wheeler survey.

A former engineer officer, Bache, accomplished the scientific organization of the coast and geodetic survey and had numerous officers as assistants.

Military surveys in the United States and topographical surveys of Cuba and the Philippines.

L'Enfant, an engineer of the revolution, surveyed and planned the city of Washington under President Washington.

Once More Well and Strong. Mrs. J. H. Smith, Kokomo, Ind., writes us this, with credit to Foley Kidney Pills: "Some years ago my kidneys began to trouble me and though I doctored them constantly, they kept growing worse. I had severe pains in my back, felt tired all the time, my bladder acted irregularly and with much pain, and I arose with full headaches, and dizziness. Finally I was persuaded to try Foley Kidney Pills and now I am once more well and strong. I gladly recommend them to others with kidney and bladder trouble as a quick and permanent cure." A. C. Koepfen & Bros.

DIVORCED ASTORS DESPAIR OF NEWPORT HOSTESSES

New York.—Now that there is a possibility of much embarrassment in the meeting of Col. John Jacob Astor and his divorced wife, Mrs. Ava Willing Astor, in Newport, society people are taking great pains in making up their guest lists for next month so that both may not be invited to the same functions. It requires a deal of trouble in society keeping divorced husbands and wives apart, for almost everyone who is anybody is divorced. Sometimes it is very hard to keep track of their names, they married so often.

According to the information which is now at hand, Mrs. Astor has definitely decided to return abroad next month to spend a short time with her brother, J. R. Barton Willing, at his villa there. When Mrs. Astor went abroad several months ago it was reported that she would make her permanent home in England, and weight was added to this rumor by the fact that she took a house in London shortly after reaching there.

A change must have come over the beautiful Mrs. Astor lately, for it was only two or three weeks ago that the cable announced that she was getting homesick and tired of her life abroad.

She was longing to be back among her friends again and especially desirous of spending a part of the summer at Newport, where her former husband and son, Vincent, are spending the summer at Beechwood.

If both Mrs. Astor and the colonel spend August at Newport and go in for entertainment on a large scale, prominent members of the villa colony will be placed in an embarrassing position.

ANOTHER VICTIM OF THE UMATILLA RIVER

SAD DROWNING AT UMATILLA YESTERDAY

Paul Nemeth, Young Man Native of Hungary, Gets Beyond His Depth and Sinks to Watery Grave—All Efforts to Save Him Unavailing—Short Items From the West.

(Special Correspondence.) Umatilla, Ore., Aug. 7.—A sad drowning accident occurred in the Umatilla river here this afternoon when Paul Nemeth, a native of Kis Somlo, Hungary, lost his life. Nemeth with a party of fellow workmen, was bathing in the Umatilla above the gravel pit where there is a small dam near the old mill. Here the water is very deep and he went beyond his

depth and, being unable to swim as were his companions, he met with a watery grave. The body remained in the river fully a half hour and all efforts to revive him were without avail. Nemeth came here from St. John, Ore., to work for Deeks & Deeks at the gravel pits and was a sober and industrious young man. He was 22 years old, single, and leaves a father and mother, also sister and brother living in Hungary. He was a member of the Maccabees and was a member of Lodge No. 1 of Portland. An inquest will be held as soon as the coroner arrives from Pendleton.

The baseball game between the married and single men of the city which was to have been played today was postponed on account of the unfortunate accident at the gravel pit. O. R. & N. engineers were here Saturday surveying for a proposed new siding which will be built on the north side of the depot. The survey was made from the round house to a point beyond the river ice houses. The siding it is judged would be for rush freight and would relieve the present congested condition of the yards.

Among the week end visitors were John Garrick, Spokane; Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Pendleton; Jas. Hogan, Portland; Chas. McMullen, Grand Falls, N. D.; Theo. J. Conrad, Wasune; J. Burpee, Clallo, and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Webster, Stanfield.

Work is as usually brisk around the gravel pits and both Scott Jones Co., and Deeks & Deeks are shipping large quantities of sand and gravel to Portland, Spokane and other large centers.

S. E. Campbell of the W. U. staff, Portland, was here Saturday on company business.

J. W. Duncan, notary public, is the registerer for Umatilla precinct and already 45 have registered. This is fairly good for a starter, yet all should get busy and register early.

W. F. O'Connell has been appointed Umatilla agent for the Continental Casualty Co., of Chicago.

Chas. Sullivan, who has been employed at the O. R. & N. round house here for the past months, has gone to Portland and will be employed by the O. R. & N. there.

There were no Catholic services here today as Father Luke is down in the Deschutes county on missionary work.

The temperature the past week was 92 at the highest, as against 88 of the same date last year.

The freight business on the O. R. & N. has been exceptionally brisk the past few days, both east and west and crews just get their rest when they are ordered on again.

Large quantities of Umatilla sand are being shipped for the government works at Celilo. The quality of the sand is said to be much superior to the sand formerly used by the government.

The Hot Weather Test makes people better acquainted with their resources of strength and endurance. Many find they need Hood's Sarsaparilla which invigorates the blood, promotes refreshing sleep and overcomes that tired feeling.

SPOKANE FAIR MIDWAY BETTER THAN EVER.



The grounds of a big exposition like the Spokane Interstate Fair, held this year Oct. 3 to 9, present all the contrasts of cosmopolitan life. This is as it should be and is probably one of the aims of all big fair managements. The fair is for all citizens. Its appeal must be directed to the humblest toiler as to the wealthy. Autos must hobnob with farm vehicles. The exhibits and attractions are free to pedestrian and driver of elegantly appointed carriage alike.

On the Midway all men meet on a level, in Spokane as in Paris. A laugh is a luxury cheapened to the reach of all. Visiting the Midway of the Spokane Interstate Fair last year was to laugh. Also there were thrills—fully as many as provided by any big circus' side shows. And, above all, it is innocent, harmless amusement that is furnished by brass throtted speller, fortune teller, snake charmer, wild animal show or what not of the hitherto unbelievable that is seen on the Interstate Fair Midway.

This year's Midway is heralded already as a revelation in popular entertainment. The best features of last year have been booked again, novel attractions fresh from the great Iowa, Minnesota and Wisconsin state fairs secured and a new plan for handling the big aggregate of Midway shows adopted. The illustrated program of amusement features, issued July 1, will be mailed free by Secretary Robert H. Cosgrove on request.

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If you would like special advice about your case write a confidential letter to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free, and always helpful.

Of Course Not. "By the way, Elder Browne, why is it that you always address your congregation as 'brethren' and never mention the women in your sermons?" "But, my dear madam, the one embraces the other." "Oh, but, elder, not in church."—Success Magazine.

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