

**WILL CELEBRATE  
OPENING OF RIVER**

Pasco, Wash., March 21.—Arrangements are being made to celebrate the opening of the Columbia river. The Pasco Commercial club has made preliminary plans.

With the signing of the rivers and harbors bill as one of the closing acts

or President Taft, the opening of the Columbia river has become an immediate possibility. The Pasco chamber of commerce feels that the commercial organizations of the Inland Empire will be glad to join in a celebration as soon as the work is done.

The plan as outlined by the committee in charge is to hold a two days' celebration, the first day to be the day before the official opening of the canal and locks. On this day appropriate games and contests will be

planned and speeches arranged while at night a banquet will be served. The second day will open with a boat trip down the river to Celilo for the official opening.

The committee plans to invite ex-president Taft to be present and make the principal speech at the opening. Others who will be urged to be present will include the new secretary of the interior, Lane, in order that he may become acquainted with this section and its possibilities. Captain McDermott, J. N. Teal, Professor Lyman and Captain W. P. Gray will receive recognition as the leaders, with the late Dr. N. G. Blalock, who worked with untiring energy for the open river.

It is impossible to settle on a definite date just now but in all probability this celebration will be some time in May, 1914. It is not intended that it should in any way interfere with the exposition planned by the city of Lewiston for 1915.

**CHECKER TOURNAMENT ON.**

When All Matches Have Been Played Off, Winners Will Be Announced.

La Grande, Ore., March 21.—The first three matches of the local contest in the Y. M. C. A. Chess and Checker club have been played off. The purpose of this contest is to select the three best men in the city to represent the club in two contests which are now being arranged with similar clubs from Alice and Island City. President Berger is very anxious that all men of the city who are interested in the game shall have a tryout for a place on the team. The contests so far arranged are for checkers only. The Y. M. C. A. is open every evening for these matches and two more boards have been added by the club to provide for more matches.

**POLICEMAN SPANKS BOY  
AT MOTHER'S REQUEST**

Youngster Thereafter Makes No Further Objection to Going to School.

Portland, Ore., March 21.—It was a good, old-fashioned spanking that Patrolman Post gave Fred Lofting, aged 9, when he found the youth playing "hooky" from the Kern grammar school and the action had a salutary effect for the youth accompanied Post to school without further dispute although the tears were still coursing down his cheeks when Post left him at the door.

Post found the boy loitering and took him to the Lofting home, 801 Oregon street, where Mrs. Lofting declared that she could do nothing with the boy. She is a widow and young Lofting was too sturdy for her to combat.

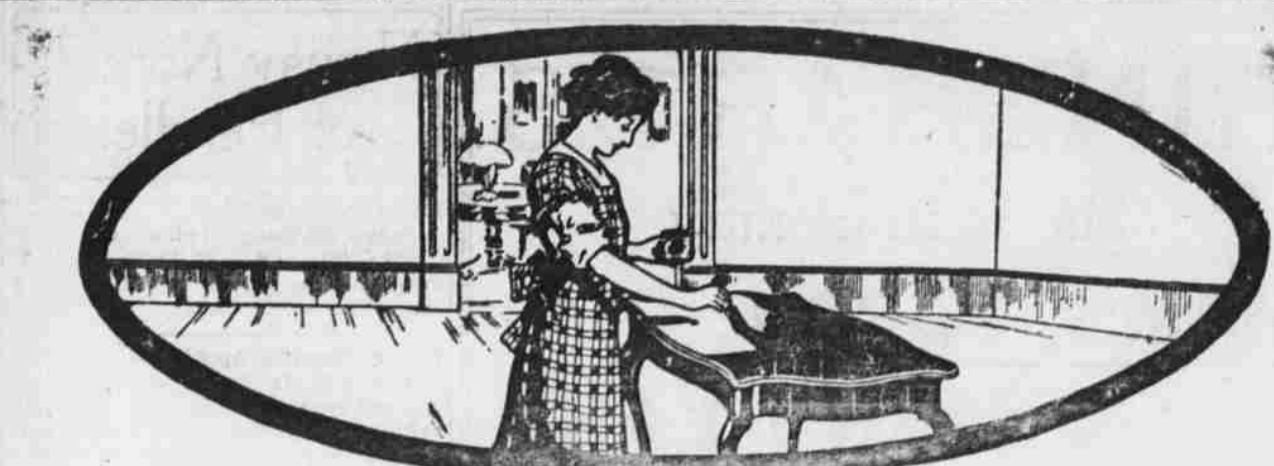
"I wish that you would give Fred a sound spanking," said Mrs. Lofting, and Post agreed. He retired to the woodshed with the boy, who had fought the patrolman all the way, and a few minutes later he emerged with a very quiet youth.

Post recently arrested a highwayman without firing a shot while squads of police were scouring the country for the man. He was refused a medal by the police commission because there had been no gun play.

**NO MORE SPOONING  
WITH NATIVE GIRLS  
IN LIGHT OF MOON**

Officer in Charge Issues Strict Orders That Men Must Not Walk With Brown Women.

Washington, March 21.—No more can the American fighting man in Manila walk hand in hand in the moonlight with his brown-skinned, starry-eyed sweetheart for the war department learned that Col. G. K. Hunter of the Seventh cavalry has issued an order prohibiting the men of the Manila garrison from appearing in public with native women. The order was imperative and read:



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**BLIZZARD STILL BOTHERING BAKER**

Baker, Ore., March 21.—Westbound trains are all running way behind their schedule time owing to the blizzards in the middle west.

Train No. 5, due at 11:05 p. m. Saturday arrived yesterday morning, humping as No. 17. Train No. 8, the fast mail due in Baker at 7:55 last night arrived yesterday morning at 8:30 o'clock, running as extra No. 193-199. No. 17 of this morning, due at 7:45 a. m. was reported as 8 hours late. No. 6 the local eastbound passenger due at 11:45 a. m. was reported as 2 hours late, but this is due to late Washington connections.

**SPONGE IN MAN'S ABDOMEN 7 YEARS**

Doctor, Sued by May He Operated on, Pleads Statute of Limitations.

Chicago, March 21.—If a sponge is left in the abdomen of a patient after an operation and is not discovered for seven years, does the statute of limitations apply from the date of the insertion of the sponge or the date of the discovery?

This is a legal question which United States District Judge Carpenter was called upon to decide today. It arose in the case of George N. Montgomery of Jacksonville, Fla., against Dr. Charles E. Kalke, of Chicago. The plaintiff avers that the physician negligently left the sponge in the abdomen after an operation for appendicitis. Seven years later Montgomery's physicians found the sponge and removed it.

Attorneys for the defense insisted that the statute of limitations had expired in the case, averring it began

gan to apply at the time of the original operation.

**BAKER WILL HAVE A CO-OPERATIVE STORE**

Baker, Ore., March 21.—J. M. Daly, M. W. Sturgill and F. L. Hubbard have filed articles of incorporation for a stock company to be known as the Farmers' Trading Co. It is capitalized at \$25,000 with shares valued at \$20 each.

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