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ITEMS IN BRIEF.

From Wednesday's Daily.

M. H. Bell, city recorder of Prineville, arrived by today's stage.

Five car loads of cattle from Weiser, Idaho, passed through to the Union Meat Co. today.

District Attorney Jayne left for Wind river this morning where his family are camped.

W. A. Gilmore representative of the San Francisco Wave, is in the city in the interest of his paper.

Thomas Balfour, of Lyle, was in the city last night, returning to his home on the steamer this morning.

Misses Lela Goddard and Hanna Cornell, of Portland, arrived on the Regulator last evening and are guests of the family of Mrs. S. Joles.

Charles Pitchford, J. McCarthy and S. H. Dine, three young men from Roseburg, Oregon, arrived in The Dalles yesterday seeking a new location.

Yesterday Sheriff Kelly turned over to the county treasurer taxes to the amount of $3,644.76 which have been collected during the past month on 1898 tax roll.

About twenty head of fine work horses were shipped to Portland on the Regulator by Mr. Putman today. He expects to find a market for the same in and around Portland.

The record in the clerk's office of Grant county show that during the month of June there were 70 mining locations and for the month of July, up to and including July 26, 105 locations were made.

There is great activity in the Bohemia mining district in Douglas and Lane counties. A Boston firm has just invested $35,000 in property there and the district is being prospected and worked as never before.

An electric storm caused some trouble with the Oregon Telephone & Telegraph Co's. line on Trout creek, recently. Lightening struck about a dozen poles and made splinters of them.

William Crossen the popular postal clerk in The Dalles post office left on the boat this morning for a trip to Lyle and Hortland. We sincerely hope that he will not have the baneful experiences that he had on his last trip.

The ancient order of Redmen had an enthusiastic meeting last night. Aside from the usual work in the lodge two pale faces were scalped or in other words were initiated into the order, and the usual festivities held at such triumphant occasions indulged in.

J. W. Roberts, a civil engineer of Pullman, Washington, is busily engaged today in finding the exact location of the new sewer system which will be put in in the near future. As soon as the exact location is planned it will be advertised and the matter pushed as rapidly as possible.

The Miller bridge across Deschutes it now in perfect repair, the recent improvement made to the bridge having been completed. A new truss nearly 100 feet long has been put in and the floor replanked. Governor Mooby says the bridge is now stronger than it has ever been before, and is capable of holding up any load that might pass over it.

C. G. Abbott an old gentleman who was committed to the asylum for the insane from this county about three years ago returned on the boat last evening in charge of his son, J. C. Abbott, of Wappinitia. The old gentleman's condition is considerably improved and as he is very harmless, he will in all probability spend the remainder of his life with his son's family.

The Dalles is rapidly becoming depopulated, as crowds are leaving on every boat and train for the many fine resorts along the river and at the coast. This morning Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Twohig and Mr. and Mrs. Moore left for a few weeks' outing on the Little White Salmon, where they will establish a camp and enjoy the fishing and hunting found along that stream.

J. C. Ward, the Kingsley merchant and postmaster, is in the city on business. Mr. Ward states that the reports circulated as to the poor condition of crops in the Tygh Ridge country are not true and that there will be a good average yield this season Had not the extreme warm weather set in at the time it did the largest crops that have ever been known in the history of Wasco county would have been placed to its credit in '99.

There is not the mad rush of volunteers to enlist at present that there was a little over a year ago on the Pacific coast. Some difficulty is being experienced in Portland to find men to fill up the ranks while Lieutenant J. H. Lewis, who has a recruiting office in this city finds it to be slow work. Since he has been here there has been seventeen men who volunteered their services and of those he considered but five fit subjects for the army and they will be examined this afternoon.

A few days since a mare belonging to James Simonson created quite a sensation on the corner of Second and Court streets by kicking her harness to pieces, attempting to break a wagon tongue and directing some vicious kicks at the bystanders, and otherwise putting herself in bad repute. Yesterday a colt belonging to the above mentioned animal committed suicide by strangling itself with a rope that happened to be in the stable. Mr. Simonson is undecided whether the colt was driven to the act by its mother's rash conduct or whether it abored under a mental abberration.

From Thursday's Daily.

H. E. Bartholmew, of Heppner, is in the city.

John Somerville Jr., of Hay creek, is a guest at the Umatilla House.

Miss Maud Kuhne, night operator for the Seufert & Condon Telephone comyany, left this morning for Hartland, Washington, where she will spend some time visiting her father. From their she goes to Glenwood where she will remain a couple of weeks.

R R. Hinton and family are home from Newport, where they spent two weeks rusticating.

Last night a car of cattle was received at the stockyards en route from Weiser to Troutdale.

Roger B. Sinnott returned last evening from Salem, where he has been spending his summer vacation.

William Heisler, proprietor of the Dufur roller mills, and Mr. Patterson, the village blacksmith, are in the city from Dufur today.

Fully 1000 Dalles residents are absent from the city at the different summer resorts in the Cascade mountains and at the sea coast.

This morning Ed. Sharp left for Crook county in charge of a government survey party to parcel out some of Uncle Sam's land in that section.

George Johnston, the popular salesman in the New York Cash store, left on the boat this morning for Stevenson where he will spend a week or ten days rusticating.

Miss Annie Healy and brother Master Frank, who have been visiting with the family of Mrs. and Mrs. Theo. Seufert for the past three weeks, left on the boat this morning for their home in Portland.

Yesterday Joe Stadleman brought to town the first cantelopes that have come in this season, and remembered the Times-Mountaineer with a fine one. Mr. Staddleman always has about the earliest vegetables of anybody in the country, and their quality is never excelled.

Yesterday Mr. Ballard of this city received a telegram from his son, Roy Ballard of the Second Oregon stating that he had arrived in San Francisco early yesterday morning from the Philippines, on the hospital ship Relief, and was feeling well. When he left the islands he was on the sick list and the relatives and many friends of the young soldier in this city felt some concern about him and the above telegram furnished no small relief.

Yesterday 240 Indian horses were delivered at the stock yards here for shipment to the Linnton cannery where they will be converted into canned horse. They were delivered by Yakima Indians who have contracted to furnish the cannery with 2,000 horses at $2.50 per head. The animals were not in first class condition, but will no doubt make pretty fair canned meat.

Governor Geer has decided to present tha members of the Second Oregon regiment with a bronze medal, to be cast from one of the cannons captured in the Philippines. He has written to General Shafter with a view to securing the cannon. The governor is now studying out the design for the medals and figuring on the cost. While there is no appropriation for the purpose, the governor feels confident that the next legislature will provide the necessary funds.

Frank Woodcock and son Frank Jr. of Wamic, are in the city on business. Mr. Woodcock states that the people of Wamic are doing their part towards building the telephone line to Tygh Valley to connect with the long distance line at that place. They have already got the poles on the ground and it will be but a short time until they can say hello! to The Dalles, Portland, San Francisco and other places in the outside world.

Of the three parties at present incarcerated in Jailer Fitzgerald's summer resort, the most interesting is the "colored gentleman," whose desire for embalmed beef caused him to unwillingly spend 30 days in John's hotel. He is a willing worker and assists his host in doing odd jobs without a murmur. Being desirous to go to the Philippines, he would be delighted to have John trim him up in military tactics, and as he is a lover of canned beef he would in all probability be the right man in the right place.

Five men were examined by Dr. Shackleford yesterday afternoon for the regular army and all rejected—for various reasons. Two were examined this morning and accepted, they being the first that Mr. Lewis has secured since he has been in The Dalles. Several others will be examined this afternoon and tomorrow. The requirements are very strict and only the best men can get into the army at present, and if many who went with the volunteers attempted to enter now they would never have seen the Philippines.

Stanley Brown, the 18-year-old son of Alvah Brown, was killed by the accidental discharge of a shotgun while hunting in the mountains 12 miles from Walla Walla Monday morning. He laid the gun down on a rock by his side while he stooped to drink from a spring. The gun slipped, fell and was discharged. The charge passed through the head, blowing out both eyes and part of the brains. Young Brown was a lieutenant of the high school cadets, and was one of the most popular boys of Walla Walla.

Last night Mr. William Cates was aroused by some unusual noise in his house and upon invistigating found that there was an intruder. While getting his gun the burglar escaped and although Mr. Cates made a diligent search no trace of the miscreant could be found. This morning he found his tracks and other indications which lead him to believe that he had concealed himself behind some large boxes alongside of the house. The burglar must have just entered the house when discovered as nothing was missed from the premises. There are few chances of him being captured as he left no clew whatever.

J. E. Sims, the colored deserter from Vancouver, who was arrested in The Dalles last week, was given one year in the county jail Monday, by Judge Heuness, for robbing a companion in the terminal grounds. The police had expected a demand for Sims' person from the military authorities at Vancouver, but none was made, so that deserter will probably be permitted to serve out the sentence imposed by the state before they take him in hand for court-martial and imprisonment at Alcatraz, Cal. Smithen, the white companion of Sims, was dismissed on the charge of larceny of the person, but held to serve out the remainder of a sentence at the county jail. He had been given a good deal of liberty as trusty, but walked off one day without bidding Mr. Dougherty good-bye. He will now be closely confined for about four months for stealing clothing from a companion several weeks ago.—Portland Telegram.

The Harriman scientific party, which left Portland May 30, on the steamer Geo. W. Elder, returned Monday, some of the members coming by a special train, arriving early in the morning, and the majority on the Elder, which got in at 5:30 last evening. All of them declare that from a scientific and social point of view the expedition was a success beyond their hopes. In the party was represented almost every branch of science, and explorations were conducted in many different specialties, one member hardly knowing what his neighbor was doing. The Elder sailed into Bering sea, and numerous stops were made along the coast. Small parties were put ashore from time to time, and proceeded some distance inland, the ship stopping to pick them up on its return. All the members are in splendid health and spirits, and vote the outing the most enjoyable they ever took.

From Friday's Daily.

A. E. Lake is in from his farm at Wamic.

James Cuningham, of Yakima, is in the city.

Georgia Minstrels at the Vogt next Monday night.

B. F. Childs, of Brownsville, was in the city last night.

Hon. E. B. Dufur returned today to his summer camp at Wind river.

S. F. Blythe, editor of the Hood River Glacier, spent the day in the city.

Mrs. F. A. Van Norden left this morning for Newport to visit friends at that place.

George Johnston and Milt Anderson, of Dufur, returned last evening from a trip to Portland.

Al Nelson and Charles Johnson started this morning for Sprague, where they will spend a few weeks camping.

Carey Ballard has gone back to the cool shades of the Cascade mountains. He will probably pitch his tent at Stevenson.

All the headers in the vicinity of Dufur and Tygh Ridge are running at present cutting grain and threshing will begin next week.

Only a few days remain to prepare for reciving the Wasco county boys who are with the Second Oregon. Let somebody start the thing going.

D. W. Mann and family, James Snipes and family and Mrs. L. D. Oakes and children left today for Cascade Locks on a camping tour.

It has been some time since The Dalles has had a real good laugh, but the Georgia Minstrels will give the people an opportunity to be mirthful.

Andy King, of Montana, and Tom Scott, of Pendleton, feather-weights, fought with gloves at Pendleton, the other night. Scott was knocked out in the third round.

The prune crop in the vicinity of Myrtle Creek promises to turn out well. The fungous growth on the fruit is not so bad as it was two years ago, and then it was not serious.

A fire alarm was turned in from Fletch Faulkner's residence at 3:40 this afternoon, but as the fire was put out with buckets, the department was not called into service.

C. V. Champlain and family have returned from California. Like all other Dallesites Mr. Champlain could not find a better place than Wasco county, and has come back here to stay.

The Oregon boys will arrive in Portland on Thursday of next week. There will be 600 men of the regiment who will come direct to Portland. A reception will be given them by the citizens of the city.

This morning Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Fish and their two children and N. J. Sinnott left for Trout Lake. They took their own conveyance and camp outfit and will probably stay in the mountains until the 15th.

It has been discovered in Spokane that many cases of smallpox in that city came from a stock ranch near Spokane employing a large number of men, among whom the disease is epidemic.

The accoustics of the Vogt have been greatly improved of late, and when the Georgia Minstrels appear there next Monday night everybody will be able to hear what is said on the stage no matter where they are seated.

Alex Gilbert, a member of the Oregon commission to the Paris exposition, is anxious to secure a salmon, exhibit for the exposition. If the canners will furnish the salmon, Mr. Gilbert will ship it to Paris and have it arranged under his direction.

Editor J. A. C. Brant, of the Vancover Columbian, received word yesterday from St. Louis, Mo., of the capture of the alleged murderers of his brother, Charles A Brant, who was murdered in St. Louis, July 25, 1898. The men arrested are John Conners, Ed. Hellman and Harry Morris, all of whom, it is said, have confessed to the murder.

During the electric storm at Hillyards Sunday evening, a bolt of lightning struck the ground just east of Z. Colby's house on the line of the Sprague avenue water pipe. An immense cloud of dust was sent upward, mingling with the rain. The spot struck is but a short distance from five large powder magazines.

Hon. J. B. Hawson, of Arlington, was in the city yesterday on business. Mr. Hawson has recently returned from a visit to the Big Bend country, and says everything is prosperous there. The farmers in that section will harvest an immense crop, and if they get good prices will have money to burn next fall. The town of Davenport he says is a progressive little city that is doing an immense bussiness.

An amusing incident occurred on the other side of the river last evening. When a party of half intoxicated Yakima Indians were examining a traction engine that was being hauled to Goldendale, the man in charge of the engine gave a few quick jerks of the whistle cord, and in an instant there were Indians and ponies scattered all over the surrounding country.

The Yakima Indians who delivered horses here Wednesday evening spent a good part of yesterday getting rid of the cash they had been paid for their mustangs, and some of them evidently spent all their wealth for liquor, for several left town last night in a badly intoxicated condition. Whoever furnished them the liquor should be looked after, for it is still a violation of law to sell intoxicants to reservation Indians.

Advertised Letters.

Following is the list of letters remaining unclaimed in The Dalles postoffice Friday, Aug. 4, 1899. Persons calling for same will please give the date on which they were advertised:

Bychman, Harry	Behmont, J W
Compton, J G	Cooley, Mrs Grace
Fidler, Geo	Johnson, Peter
Mayberry, W S	McCoy, J P
Philbrush, Dr E 2	Rolston, Albert
Reom, Frank	Turner, A W
Tyborn, A	Tyron, Mr Perl
Nan Camp Perry	Waggett, G
Williams, Walt	Lucas, Miss Viola
Russell, Mrs Flora	Rose, Lena
Taylor, Anna	Walch, Eunice
Wright, W N	Wright, Dolly Miss

B. H. RIDDELL, P. M.

Skirmish on Cebu.

MANILA, Aug. 2.—Mail advices from the island of Cebu announce that a company of Americans last week attacked the Filipino trenches, situated two kilometers from the town of Elpardo. The rebels were commanded by the brothers Climace, who are prominent and wealthy persons. The Charleston shelled the enemy and the Filipinos retreated. American casualties were slight. The presence of the Climaces with the rebels is said to have been due to rebel orders from Luzon.

MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING.

Ordered That Bicyclists Carry Lanterns After Night and Keep off the Walks.

The regular monthly meeting of the common council was held at the office of the city recorder last night. There were present Mayor Kuck and Councilmen Clough, Johns, Gunning, Johnston, Stephens, Michelbach, Shakelford and Kelly. Minutes of the last regular meeting were read when the council got down to business and transacted the following:

The fire patrol board made application to be admitted to the regular fire department, and on motion of Johnston the matter was referred to the committe on fire and water.

It appearing that nine fire plugs recently purchased by the council were not acceptable, because the keys were not uniform with the keys of the plugs now in use, the same were rejected.

On motion of Johns Councilmen Johnston and Kelly were added to the committe on sewers.

On motion of Clough it was ordered that the ordinance requiring bicycles to carry lanterns after dark and to keep off the sidewalks be published, and strictly enforced by the marshal

The report of the treasurer for the month of July showed the following.

Cash on hand July 1	$3144 09
Received during month	632 98
Total	$3768 07
Warrants redeemed during the month	$26 90
On hand August 1	$3741 17

The following claims against the city were allowed and ordered paid:

L D Oaks, hauling	$ 80
J H Blakeney, 1250 brick	12 50
Geo Brown, prepayment expressage	30
Guttapercha & Rubber Mfg. Co mdse	17 70
Electric Light Co lights	13 80
R G Brooks, 3 cord oak wood	15 00
L Rorden & Co mdse	1 25
R B Hood, hauling	3 00
N H Gates, prepayment telegram	40
O R & N Co 720 pounds of rails	14 40
Max Vogt & Co repairing sewer	7 50
James Hanna, hauling	1 75
Chronicle Publishing Co receipt books	2 25
H Clough, work on engine	6 00
Mays & Crowe, mdse	80
Z F Moody, coal	5 40
Hansen & Thompsen repairs on pump	1 25
Ferguson Bros, hauling engine to fire	5 00
H A Harper, hauling hose cart to fire	2 50
The Dalles Lumbering Co, lumber	4 16
J W Blakeney, hauling	1 00
J N Lauer, repairs on Hose cart	1 50
Chas Jones, labor	32 20
Henry Zirke, labor	21 60
J Heater, labor	4 60
J Lane, labor	1 60
J Whettle, hauling	14 75
A S Cathcart, hauling	8 00
J Lindsey, labor	2 00
J O'Brien, labor	2 00
J Burgraff, meals for prisoners	7 05
L F Rhodes, labor	11 20
Ernest Patton, labor	8 40
L H Thompson, labor	5 20
Mrs E Julian, meals for prisoners	2 55
C F Lauer, marshal salary and fees for killing dogs	38 00
Geo Brown, engineer	75 00
N D Hughes, marshal salary	45 00
G A Phirman, nightwatchman	60 00
C J Crandall, treasurer	20 00
N H Gates, recorder	5 00
Seufert & Condon Co telephone rent	1 50
Dalles Water Works rent	50 00

A RAILROAD POSSIBILITY.

A Narrow Gauge Line That May Have a Future.

Many people do not know that there is a narrow-gauge railroad running in California and Nevada, which is now being extended northward, and is expected eventually to reach Lakeview, in Southern Oregon, and proceed thence to the Columbia river.

The Nevada, California & Oregon railroad is the impressive title of the road. It starts at Keeler, on Owens lake, in the eastern part of California. It crosses the state line into Nevada, and after taking in Carson City and Reno, runs back into California. The extension now being built is 40 miles long, and will terminate in Lassen county, and 60 miles from Alturas.

Alturas in turn is but 60 miles from Lakeview. After the road reaches Lakeview it will take one of two routes to reach the Columbia river. The first under consideration will be slightly west of north, until the valley of the Deschutes river is reached, whence it will be easy to get into The Dalles. The other is much more pretentious, and if it is followed a large part of Eastern Oregon will be taken in north ane south, the road crosses over into Idaho at Weiser and connecting with the new Pacific & Idaho Northern, now being built. This road contemplates extending north to Spokane, and thence west to the Sound.

If all these designs are carried out there will be a continuous system from the little town of Keeler, in California, to the Sound, and a very large territory now wholly without such convenience will have railroad connection with the outside world.

Four Mormon Elders.

THE DALLES, Aug. 2. 1899.

I see by last night's Mountaineer that four so-called Mormon elders are in our fair city, who wish to arrange to hold meetings, or more properly named, a cattle convention (two legged ones).

Registered Mormons—W. P. Clayton, J. M. Workman, A. F. Flinders and W. F. Flint.

All respectable citizens here will join in saying we are not in need of "Clay" by the "ton" to "Workman" here in our fair city. Nor do we need "Flint" to light the fire of a pure, clear religion in our hearts.

We must awaken to the dangerous situation, and realize the amount of mischief, as well as sorrow the so-called missionaries will bring among us if allowed to get a start. Civilized people cannot tolerate them.

The proper medicine for these fellows is to invite them to the city limits and insist that they make tracks with their toes pointing away from The Dalles. RESIDENT.

Will Not Be Punished.

Col. Summers wrote Governor Geer in reference to the case of Frank Girard as follows: "There is no necessity for any uneasiness in his case, as this man was granted all the privileges that were possible, and he will not be disturbed. He has done exactly what you or I, or any other soldier of metal would have done under the circumstances, and I certainly would not be disposed to treat the matter severely. He will have to report here for final muster-out. It is not the disposition of the commanding officer of this regiment to be severe with a man who endeavors to act in obedience to good impulses. He has done no more than would have been done by any other person, and is entitled to all possible consideration. I will state further, that the health of the regiment is excellent now, and everything is moving along splendidly."

LIVESTOCK NOTES.

Prices of First Range Lambs and Cattle Compared With Last Year.

Prices received in Chicago this year for the first range cattle and lambs will indicate to some extent the relative strength of this year's market compared with that of last year. There is a difference in favor of this year, with the indications as to the future that the market will strengthen, or at least hold its own.

That there was a shortage in lambs all over the western range states cannot for a moment be denied, the severe winter and the harsh spring causing serious loss in all quarters. If this shortage works it legitimate effect then the market will be thereby strengthened, and the higher prices will in a measure compensate the grower for his loss of lambs. It is thus stated by well known authority on livestock matters:

From all over the range country come reports of a poor lambing season. In Montana and Wyoming the percentage of lambs to ewes runs from 50 to 75 in most districts, as against 80 and 95 per cent last year. In Texas the per cent of lambs runs from 60 down to as low as 30. In other range states the lamb crop is far below the last year's figures. All this means an aggregate shortage of several millions of lambs in the great lamb producing districts of the west. How far this may affect the price of feeding lambs cannot now be closely forecasted, but the effect will be more or less serious and far reaching, influencing the values of older and weightier muttons as well. Comparative statements of the prices for first consignments of range lambs and cattle at Chicago are as follows:

The first range lambs of the season, —about 2500 from Utah and Idaho, were sold at prices ranging from $6 25 to $6.65,—mostly at $6.25 to $6.50. They ranged in weight from 63 to 68 pounds, a little heavier than the first arrivals last year, which came to hand August 2, selling at $6. On August 8, 1898, 1252 head of 61-pound Idaho lambs sold at $6.25 and before the middle of August several lots brought $6.35 and $6.50.

The first range cattle of the season reaching Chicago, consisting of eight cars of Montana cows, of the T. Murphy brand, shipped by C. J. Hysham. Of these, 124 head averaged 1008 pounds and brought $4, with 43 cows, 1814 pounds, at $3.50. Last year the first cattle from the range arrived at Chicago August 1, and consisted of about 1500 head, mostly northern-ranged Texans. The steers sold at a range of $4.30 to $4.60, with cows and heifers at $4 and $4.15.—East Oregonian.

IT IS SURPRISING.

All Kinds of Goods Rising Except at the Great Northern.

While the price of nearly all lines of goods is advancing, the Great Northern Furniture Store of The Dalles keeps right along at the old popular prices with all who come to this store to trade. And the proprietors take a pleasure in announcing that they are now in a position to sell even cheaper than before. Since opening a stock in Portland and shipping goods in car loads lots, better freight rates are had, and buying in large quantities they buy to better advantage. This enables them to give customers the advantage of the best prices.

We carry three lines of steel ranges, among them the best steel range made in the United States, the Charter Oak. Everybody recognizes it as the best. Besides we carry the Borne and Cleveland steel ranges, ranging in price from $25 to $50 We also have cast iron Charter Oak stoves and ranges, ranging in price from $6 to $35.

In carpets our line is not surpassed, and our prices are from 30 cents to $1.25 a yard In furniture we carry everything, also bedding, crockery, granite and tin ware and shelf hardware.

Hard wood bedroom sets from $10 to $35. White enameled iron beds from $3.50 to $20.00. Prices of other goods equally low.

When in the city don't fail to call at our store, see our goods and compare our prices with those of other places. You will be convinced of the superiority of our stock, that we are anxious to sell goods and that our prices are the lowest. You can save money by buying of us.

GREAT NORTHERN FURNITURE STORE

East End, opposite Farmers Hotel The Dalles.

A BAD PLACE TO GO.

Philippines no Place for a Poor Man to Seek His Fortune.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 3.—With a view to obtain reliable information regarding the agricultural and other wealth-producing possibilities of the Philippines, the Call has interviewed a large number of the Oregon volunteers whose long stay on the islands ffored then excelent opportunities for observation. Most of the troops believe that the land of the Philippines is well adapted for American agriculture with the exception of wheat, but they add that nearly all of the agricultural land and certainly the best of it is in the possession of the church authorities and would have to be purchased by intending settlers.

The soldiers of Oregon are almost to a man emphatic in opposition even to the suggestion of making natives of the Philippines citizens of the United States, although the opinion seems to prevail that American labor laws could advantageously be put in operation on the islands. As for Americans working in the Philippines, the soldiers declare that it is utterly out of the question. The heat is too intense and the climate generally too enervating. The Philippines they say are the last lands on the earth for poor men to seek with a purpose of improving their condition.

The Relief Arrives.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 2.—The hospital ship Relief arrived early this morning from the Philippines. The Relief has 320 men on board, most of whom are sick and wounded soldiers. Local health officers ordered the vessel to quarantine station at Angel island, where examination of passengers took place. A clean bill of health being issued, the Relief proceeded to a point off the Presido, where the government vessel McDowell and Caroline were utilized in the transferring of the sick and wounded to the shore. Invalided men will be confined in the recently completed post hospital. On board the hospital ship were 12 men of the Oregon regiment.

Grand Trunk Strike.

PORT HURON, Mich., Aug. 2.—Machinists in the Grand Trunk shops here struck today. The action is a culmination of trouble which began when J. C. Gehring was installed as foreman. Employment of nonunion machinists is given as the immediate cause of the walkout. Every branch of machinists and engineers' associations which have men on the Grand Trunk were notified, and it was expected the strike will extend today over the entire system.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

A good free road from The Dalles to Prineville by Maupin ferry would hold all the trade of Crook county to The Dalles until a railroad is built into the county. Is not the trade worth what the road would cost?

The Glacier insists that the people of Hood River put up $2,000 to pay for the condemned lands needed to make of the river a public highway. Then let them obtain a lease of it and proceed to improve it. Their $2,000 with another thousand would accomplish the job.

The decision of the British Indian commission to force a gold standard upon India means that the demand for gold will so far outrun the supply that the general level of prices must continue to fall until the gold standard is abandoned and bimetallism restored.

A lot of girls in Southern Kansas have formed themselves into clubs and have resolved never to marry any young man unless he served with the Twentieth Kansas in the Philippines. Kansas will probably have a whole lot of spinisters unless the girls change their minds.

Governor Pingree proposes to give Alger a royal reception when he returns to Michigan and will parade him as a martyr. Pingree has his razor out for Hanna, McKinley and McMillan, and if he can't elect Alger United States senator will prevent the election of the administration candidate.

We complain of high taxes and wonder why it is that governmental affairs cannot be run cheaper. If we would watch the innumerable little leaks where public funds get out of the treasury we would know the cause of our burdens. If public affairs were conducted as economically as private business, taxes would be lighter.

In a few days Alger will be back to his own state as a private citizen. He will then have no strings on him and will begin telling some of the secrets of awarding contracts for army supplies and transportation. The people will know whether he or the man behind the screne in the White House was to blame for the management of the war department.

It is rather surprising that the Oregon editors who have been so loud in their demands for prosecuting the war in the Philippines, have not enlisted since opportunity is offered and men are wanted to fill up the ranks of the regiment now organizing at Vancouver. Where is Scott, of Portland; Hendricks, of Salem, and Palmer, of Prineville? They should put their words into action.

The name of Hon. John J. Lentz has been suggested by a number of German papers as the proper running mate of William J. Bryan in 1900, says the National Watchman. It is, however, not a foregone conclusion that Mr. Bryan will be the candidate of the democratic party. A good many democrats think he is too prominent for a successful candidate, and some other good democrat may be selected as the standard bearer.

No reasonable expense should be spared in bringing criminals to justice or ferriting out crime, but such things can be carried to an extreme. When a suspected law breaker is given a hearing and discharged he should not be rearrested except on the finding of new evidence that is convincing. The case that was tried in the justice court here last Saturday was an unnecessary expense, for the second examination was had on evidence that had no weight whatever.

The disarmament congress at The Hague had its final sitting last Saturday, and what it accomplished might well be designated by zero. There was not a binding agreement signed by the powers represented, as nothing was unanimously agreed to. Evidently the human race that comprises the nations of the world has not advanced to that state of civilization where it is safe to turn swords into plow shares and cannons into car wheels. The lamb and the lion are not ready to lie down together yet. When universal disarmament occurs the year of the millinium will have arrived, and evidently that is a long way in the future.

The cinch the railroad companies have had on the wheat farmers of Eastern Oregon and Washington in the past will be broken inside of another year. A portage road will be built around the falles of the Columbia in time to carry next year's crop of grain, and a line of boats will be put on the river capable of handling the business. Capital sufficient to do this work is already available, and work on the portage road will be commenced early next fall. In this proposition is an opportunity for The Dalles to reap profit. The road will be built on the north side of the river, but if a bridge were put across at the narrows the lower terminus could be made here. Does The Dalles want it? Or can The Dalles afford to let it be at any other place?

The Budget struck the nail squarely on the head when it gave expression to the following, and what it says of Astoria is true of every other city in the state: "The people of Astoria and Clatsop county have at last awakened to the fact that a railroad was not all they needed to make the community prosperous. A railway is a good thing for a town, but it will not make a city unless the people do something themselves. We are pleased to note Astorians are beginning to realize this fact and are, some of them at least, bending their energies to developing the country and the fostering of new enterprises. The sooner all our people banish big ideas from their heads and join in the movement to start small industries which will make payrools the sooner will our city begin to grow in a substantial manner."

GETTING DISCOURAGED.

The Spokesman-Review is one of the few anti-republican papers of the country that has favored extending American dominion to the Philippines and holding those islands as colonies, but it is becoming less enthusiastic than it was a few months ago. Apparently it is discouraged by the weak policy of the administration and is alarmed at the cost of bringing the islands into subjection In a recent issue it said editorially:

Senator Burrows made quite a lengthy statement the other day, giving his views as to the Philippine situation. He stands by the administration, but not very enthusiastically. His idea was that we should have taken only a coaling station in the Philippines, and paid Spain nothing in the shape of an indemnity. However, inasmuch as we have located in the islands we cannot now get away even if we would.

The strong point which Senator Burrows makes is that the insurrection must be put down and the war ended next year. He says the only hope for his party and for the country is a speedy change of existing conditions at Manila. Therefore he favors sending more troops and approves what has been done already towards giving General Otis a larger army. If with this large army peace cannot be brought about, then congress will have the problem up for settlement.

This is probably what will be done. There will not be an aggressive campaign until congress urges it. The president seems to have hesitated about sending Otis more men, presumably because Otis has said that he did not need any more. It has become evident, however, that the country wants reinforcements sent forward, no matter what General Otis thinks. The desire is widespread to have the insurrection put down, and manifestly it cannot be put down without a large army. Otis may have 40,000 men when the dry season opens in November, but with that number he can accomplish little more than was done in the last campaign. The Filipinos will be scattered and chased from one point to another, but the backbone of the rebellion will not be broken.

When congress meets it is not unlikely that it will make an investigation of the Philippine operations during the past few months, and will decide that more vigorous work must be done. The people will not be satisfied with another season of desultory campaigning which has resulted in our controlling only a small area of country adjacent to Manila. If we are to fritter away lives, time and money with little or nothing gained, then we might as well get out of the Philippines at once. If, however, we are to hold them, then the insurrection should be put bown sharply and for all time. This is what congress will insist upon when it meets, unless the administration has already begun the work in energetic fashion, which is not likely if we are to judge of the future by the past

OUR ROLL OF HONOR.

The full list of fatalities in the American army in the Philippines up to June 2, as per list furnished by Fred J. Eithel, a representative of the Manila Freedom, who claims to have obtained it from the records in the surgeon-general's office at Manila. The total number of fatalities is given at 736—23 officers, 699 privates and 14 civilians attached to the army. A remarkable feature of the record is found in the statement that the number of officers killed in battle is out of all proportion to the number of privates killed. On the other hand, fewer officers died from disease proportionately than privates. Of the 23 officers dead, 16 were killed in action, 2 were drowned, and five died of disease, as follows: Typhoid, 1; meningitis 2; rheumatism of heart, 1; paralysis 1. Of 699 privates, 294 died of wounds received in action, 9 were drowned, and 7 committed suicide. One hundred and six of typhoid. 89 of smallpox, 47 of dysentery, 28 of pneumonia, 19 of malarial fever, and 14 of meningitis. The remaining 17 died from various diseases. Of the 14 deaths among civilians, 7 were from smallpox and 3 from gunshot wounds received in action.

The Northern Pacific is running a pretty big bluff on the O. R. & N. Co., and may yet have to carry the threats of its bluff into execution. If it can't get trackage from the O. R. & N. line it proposes to build a road down the north side of the river. Such a road would be an advantage to the wheat growers of the upper country provided it were not pooled with other lines connecting with the country east of here, but no matter how many roads are built, the rates on wheat from Whitman and Spokane counties will remain the same until a portage road is made and river competition is established.

The Maryland democrats have held their state convention and put out a platform that leaves nearly every issue of importance untouched. John Walter, who is said to be Gorman's candidate, was nominated for governor. From present indications it is the intention of the party in that state to win the fight on the popularity of the candidates.

In Iowa the republicans have renominated Lucias M. Shaw for governor, and have formulated a platform that endorses every act of the national administration It makes little difference in Iowa what kind of declarations the republicans make, for they have such a majority that they can win on almost any old thing.

Came on the Relief.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug 3.—The soldiers returned on the transport Relief are as follows:

Second Oregon—Private Reynolds, Private Price, Corporal Wagner, Private Gleen, Private Rockwell, Sergeant Schlager, Private King, Private Seyruse, Corporal Ballard, Private Parsell, Corporal Johnson, Sergeant Collins.

First Washington—Anderson, band; Privates Robinson, Osborn, Manning, Atkin, Hovey, Fischer, Robertson, Corporal Bucklin, Private Vaughn.

BORN.

FISHER—In this city August 4, to Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Fisher, a daughter.

Executor's Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that John R. Doyle, executor of the estate of Mary Doyle, deceased, has filed his final account and report in said estate, and that Monday, the 4th day of September, 1899, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at the county court room in the county court house of Wasco county, in Dalles City, in Wasco county, Oregon, has been appointed as the time and place for the hearing of said final report and accounting, and objections thereto, if any there be.

This notice is published by order of the Hon. Robert Mays, county judge of said county, of date August 4 1899.

Dated August 5, 1899.

JOHN R. DOYLE,
Executor of the estate of Mary Doyle, deceased. jy5-5t

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Solomon Houser, deceased, has filed his final account and report in said estate with the clerk of the county court of the state of Oregon, for Wasco county, and that Tuesday, the 5th day of September, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon of said day, has been fixed as the time and the county court room in the county court house in Dalles City, Wasco county, Oregon, has been fixed as the place for hearing said final account and report. All persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear at said time and place and show cause, if any there be, why said report should not be approved and allowed, and an order made releasing the undersigned as administrator of said estate and exonorating his bondsmen.

Dated this 3d day of August, 1899.

GEORGE A. LIEBE,
Administrator of the estate of Solomon Houser, deceased. jy5-5t

HEUREAUX WAS AN USURPER

This Brought About His Assassination.

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—Senor Adriano Grullan, of the firm of Huttlinger & Vivig, New York, the representative in the United States of the Santo Domingo revolutionists, and formerly the business partner of Senor Jiminez, the leader of the insurrection, has made public the following statements of the reasons for the assination of President Heureaux:

"The assination of President Heureaux was not an act of revenge for the murder of Caceres' father, but the signal of the commencement of the uprising against the existing government there. Caceres is a cousin of General Horacio Vasquez, and was with him at the time of the shooting. General Vasquez is a member of one of the best families of Moca. Neither Mr. Caceres nor General Vasquez can be considered common assassins, as their motives were not personal, but patriotic.

"For four years Heureaux has held power by a system of terrorizing. Citizens were sent to prison without the slightest process of law, and more than 300 were clandestinely shot without any trial whatever, or without even being given a reason for their incarceration. There has been no legal election of any kind ever since 1889 then, in order to secure his retention in power, Heureaux had to count more votes from the interior provinces than there were actual inhabitants, including men, women and children.

"As the result of this, the opposition party, whose candidate was Moya, appealed to arms, but after a long struggle, was defeated. Since that time very few reputable citizens have taken part in the elections, knowing them to be a farce. The constitution of Santo Domingo, in common with most South and Central American countries, provides that no one man shall hold office for more than one term in succession, but this the late president overruled. There is no such thing as a free press in that country; no paper dares publish anything unless favorable to the existing regime."

COMING NEXT WEEK.

Oregon Boys Will Leave San Francisco Next Week.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 2.—In speaking of the return home of the Oregon volunteers, Col. Summers said:

About 850 men will go on the special train starting on August 9. The train will be met at the state line by Governor Geer and his staff Co. B. will be dropped at Roseburg and Co. C. at Eugene. Company K. may stop at Salem, but we hope that it will go through to Portland. The program is for the men to dine at Ashland, take luncheon at Grant's Pass, and a late supper at Roseburg. Breakfast on the second day will be served at Eugene; dinner at Salem, and the train will reach Portland at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. There will be a parade and the colors will be turned over to the state officials at the Armory. The men will be uniformed