

**WORDL'S
NEWS IN
BREIF**

Corvallis, Or., Jan. 17.—Officers led a Chinese wash house in this town at 2:30 yesterday, unearthing a complete opium den with numerous times of the habit. One, an Indian, attempted to commit suicide, was prevented and later lodged in jail. Several Chinese were also arrested. All the parties will have a hearing late today. Other arrests are expected. The affair has created a sensation, as such a condition was never suspected.

Washington, Jan. 18.—A delegation of Oregon and Washington citizens, consisting of Senators Gearin and Don, Representative Jones, Messrs. W. Scott and J. N. Teaf, had an interview with Chairman Burton today in behalf of the river and harbor improvements in the Northwest. The Columbia river bar improvement was discussed in detail. Burton said that the bill would have to be confined to the appropriations to protect the navigation already commenced along the Columbia bar.

Brookline, N. H., Jan. 18.—The remains of five victims of the tragedy at the Lakeman homestead yesterday were taken to the home of Mrs. H. Ayer, who was removed from the scene this morning. Two were taken last night, making all seven recovered. Authorities are of the opinion that Ayer cut the throats of the men before igniting the house.

Jacksonville, Or., Jan. 18.—William Broad, Bert Coffman and Fred Brown were killed by the premature explosion of giant powder last night at the Opp mine, near this city. The mine was literally blown to pieces. Fortunately they started several minutes before the rest of the gang was to work, or the death list would have been greater. The terrific explosion occurred just as the rest of the miners were about to enter the mine. The noise of the explosion could be plainly heard at Jacksonville, and it shook the mountainside. Many of the miners thought it was an earthquake.

Portland, Or., Jan. 18.—By the blowing up of the pipes in the fire box of the northern Pacific southbound locomotive this morning Engineer Vort, Fireman Larson and David Weiss were killed. The two firemen were taken to their homes at LaSalle, and the latter to Portland.

Lawrence, Jan. 18.—Six Jews, members of the local anarchists' committee, who were tried by courtmartial and condemned, were executed today. They were convicted of engaging in seditious propaganda, manufacturing bombs and extorting money.

Algiers, Jan. 18.—The second sitting of the Moroccan conference began this afternoon.

St. Paul, Neb., Jan. 18.—Chinese missionaries Luo Fang and Huang accompanied by sixty followers from China, are guests in this city today. They were met at the station this morning by Governor Mickey, Senator Andrew, of the state university, Mayor Brown and other officials.

London, Jan. 18.—Published statistics show 1,900,000 famine stricken in northern Japan.

St. Paul, Jan. 18.—J. H. Graves and his associates have formed an Empire Railway Company, with a capital stock of \$20,000,000. The prime purpose of the corporation is to consolidate the present electric lines of the Graves group into a single system radiating in all directions from Spokane.

Washington, Jan. 18.—Tillman introduced a resolution in the senate for a committee to investigate the recent expulsion of a senator from the White House. The senate tabled the negative vote.

St. Paul, Jan. 18.—The stage was swamped and the driver and one passenger drowned in the St. Paul creek, near here, today. The stage was lost.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 18.—A military party on the upper Feather river last night on account of a fire and is now rushing down to bring out bridges and threaten-

ing all kinds of damage. Two steamers have been sent up to the mouth of the Yuba river to intercept the dredger before it reaches Sacramento.

Sacramento, Jan. 19.—The sun is shining from a clear sky today and the storm is believed to be over. The river stood at 23 feet 6 inches this morning and is slowly rising. A great volume of water is coming down the American and Yuba, but no danger is apprehended, although the levees are known to be weak at the site of the Edwards break two years ago. Fifty men are working on the levee south of the city, and feel certain they will prevent a break unless the river rises a foot higher. The Yolo basin, covering 25,000 acres, is now full, but the river is believed to have reached its highest point. The total rainfall from the storm is over six inches, and great benefit will result therefrom.

Santa Cruz, Cal., Jan. 19.—The San Lorenzo river overflowed its banks last night and the yards near the river are flooded to the depth of several feet.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The house committee on interstate commerce has decided to vote Tuesday on the rate bills under consideration.

Butte, Mont., Jan. 19.—The Driscoll saloon was entered by two masked bandits early this morning, each carrying a brace of guns. Twelve men were lined up and compelled to throw up their hands while the robbers fired several shots over their heads. The cash register was looted and \$200 was secured. The outlaws escaped.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The senate committee on canals this morning met to consider Bigelow's refusal to answer the question as to his informants on the canal charges. The house today considered the urgent deficiency bill, a total of nearly \$15,250,000, \$5,250,000 being for the Panama canal.

Washington, Jan. 19.—According to a cablegram from Manila the contract for a sewerage system for that city was awarded to the Atlantic Gulf and Pacific Co., of New York and San Francisco, at a bid of \$1,631,053.

Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 19.—The bodies of 18 miners killed in the explosion yesterday were recovered today.

Michigan City, Ind., Jan. 19.—Robbers this morning entered the store of the Stalger Hardware Co. and stole \$1100 in money and silverware.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The departure of Faiguy from Venezuela is confirmed. Much excitement attended the embarkation.

Grant's Pass, Or., Jan. 18.—Nearly one-half of the required \$50,000 of stock in the corporation that proposes to build a railroad from Grant's Pass to the copper mines of southern Josephine county has been subscribed by local people. Mining and business men are taking hold of the proposition with a vim and are determined to make it a go. Over \$18,000 worth of stock was subscribed in one day, and yesterday the committee in charge secured nearly enough more to pass the \$25,000 mark. When \$50,000 worth of stock has been subscribed by local people, the promoters of the proposition believe they will have no difficulty in securing capital to take hold and push the road to a finish.

Paris, Jan. 19.—The council of ministers this morning discussed the action France is to take toward Venezuela. Bonvier advocated energetic measures. The government will consult the national assembly.

Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 19.—The Iowa senate this morning petitioned the governor of New Jersey to pardon Mrs. Tolla, sentenced to hang for murder.

Denver, Jan. 19.—The Peabody family are recovering from ptomaine poisoning. The ex-governor ridicules the stories in which it was said that he had been poisoned by intent.

New York, Jan. 19.—A train on the Kings County Elevated plunged into the street at Chestnut street and Fulton avenue about noon today and four were killed.

Washington, Jan. 19.—It was announced at the state department today that the first United States ambassador to Japan will be Luke E. Wright, of Tennessee, now governor-general of the Philippines. David E. Thompson, former ambassador to

Brazil, will go to Mexico, and Lloyd Griscom, formerly at Tokio, will go to Brazil.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—Attorney Miller, for the packers, resumed the opening statement in the beef trust case this morning. He maintained there could be no prosecution that would not violate the pledges made by Garfield.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—Business was suspended from 12 to 1 today on account of the funeral of Marshall Field. The services were private and were held at his late home. Only a few were admitted to the cemetery. Memorial services were held at the Auditorium.

Birmingham, Jan. 19.—The Evening Post today says it is strongly believed that Japan will eventually buy the Philippine Islands from the United States, despite the denials from Tokio and Washington.

Medford, Jan. 20.—The famous Blue Ledge copper mine on Elliott creek was sold to R. S. Towne, of New York, today, who will immediately develop the property. A railroad will be built from here to the property.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The house today resumed the consideration of the urgent deficiency bill.

Indianapolis, Jan. 20.—The Mine Workers adopted a resolution this morning advocating the employment of convict labor in the construction of national trans-continental railroads. It was voted to send a memorial to congress expressing the belief that the exclusion act should be extended so as to keep out all Japanese and Korean laborers other than those exempted by the present act.

Grant's Pass, Jan. 20.—In the Jennings murder trial today Dora listened perfectly composed while her little sister and brother told the story of the crime. W. L. Chapin stated the girl seemed composed the day of the murder, when she ate watermelon with him while the inquest was being held.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The American delegates to The Hague will be Joseph Choate, General Porter and Judge Rose, of Little Rock, Ark.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 20.—The government attorneys outlined the case of the government in the Green-Gaynor case before the jury this morning and said that Green and Gaynor pulled up Captain Carter, the young officer fresh from West Point, until he believed he was equalled in ability by none in the country. He listened to their schemes and borrowed their money until he was owned by their body and soul. The two secured an enormous appropriation for the harbor and had bigger sums from which to plier. They were able to do so by the aid of their tool, Carter. It is said they got the contract by Carter's unfair aid.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The Massachusetts petition for the preservation of the Constitution was exhibited to the president today. Spooner said the navy should have a new Constitution which should be the strongest warships in the world. Roosevelt slapped Spooner on the back and said "bully."

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 20.—Mrs. Lillian Duke filed answer in divorce suit today. She denied the charges and claims of James B. Duke, charging her with cruelty and desertion, as malicious slander. She charges Duke with infidelity.

Tacoma, Jan. 20.—F. T. Sherman was today arrested, accused of paying Mayor Wright a \$2000 bribe to secure a paving contract. It is alleged that graft flourished here in connection with a million dollar paving contract let last year.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—Chinese commissioners the visited around this city today and will be banqueted tonight.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—Citizens met this afternoon to formulate plans for a vigilance committee in Chicago to suppress crime.

Salem, Jan. 20.—The proclamation of Governor Chamberlain dissolving over 500 Oregon corporations for failing for two years to pay license fees was filed here this morning.

Portland, Jan. 20.—Judge Sears today upheld the constitutionality of the state law of '03 limiting hours of females in any mechanical or mercantile establishment, including laundries, to 10 hours a day. The laundry association will appeal.

A Car of Canned Goods

1350 Dozen Cans of Fruits and Vegetables

The Largest Single Order Ever Shipped to Eugene.

This means we bought right, secured advantages on freight rates, and propose to give you the benefit.

Standard Iowa corn,	2 cans	15c.	Per dozen	85c
Standard California Tomatoes,	2 cans	15c.	"	85c
Baltimore peas,	2 cans	15c.	"	85c
Blue Ribbon Extra Standard Corn,	3 cans	25c.	"	95c
Blue Ribbon Ex. Standard Tomatoes	3 cans	25c.	"	95c
Blue Ribbon beans,	3 cans	25c.	"	95c
Blue Ribbon Early June peas.....			Per can	10c
Blue Ribbon Yellow Free Peaches.....			"	15c
Blue Ribbon Lemon Cling Peaches.....	2 cans	35c		

Our Red Ribbon Line we guarantee to be equal to any on the market. Give us a trial and be convinced.

Red ribbon Solid pack tomatoes.....	Per can	12c
" Fancy Maine corn.....	"	12c
" Sifted peas.....	"	12c
" Stringless cut beans.....	"	12c
" Yellow free peaches.....	"	20c
" Lemon cling peaches.....	"	22c

We carry a full line of berries, cherries, apricots, pears, grapes, plums and asparagus, on which we will allow the same cuts as above.

Eugene Perfection Tomatoes, 2 Cans 15c

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The Store That Keeps Prices Down.

**HORRIBLE
EXPERIENCE
AT SEA**

New York, Jan. 20 The liner Maine today brought an account of the rescue at sea of the captain and crew of the schooner Kipling, on January 11. The Kipling left Liverpool for Newfoundland for a cargo of fish and tried to put back when a storm broke which the little vessel was unable to withstand. When the Maine appeared the first boat had been crushed, all the boat's crew going into the sea, but reached wreckage until the second boat appeared. The Kipling spent twenty days in a crippled condition at sea before rescue was made.

**FILES ON WATERS
OF SANTIAM**

Albany, Or., Jan. 19.—George E. Pusey, who is believed to act for the Portland General Electric Company, has filed a claim in the county recorder's office for 100,000 miners' inches of the waters of the North Santiam river, above Mill City, where he owns land along that stream. He proposes to run five ditches out of the stream, the ditches to be 10 feet deep, 40 feet wide at the bottom and 70 feet at the top; in lieu of ditches he may use flumes 10 feet deep and 45 feet wide, or pipe lines, the pipe to be 11 feet in diameter. The purpose is to secure power for the purpose of generating electricity for light and power.

**RUSSIA'S DES-
PERATE SITUATION**

St. Petersburg, Jan. 20.—The rebels are in control of the Batoum, Gagra, Poti and Imeretia districts. The government is sending troops and warships. Sailors are being replaced with soldiers, as the seamen are considered as being untrustworthy. General Litsievitch is coming to discuss the advisability of keeping the army in Manchuria until next year.

Brevities

N. W. Coffey, the young man who was pretty badly hurt in the Foss logging camp the other day, is now in the Eugene hospital, having arrived last evening.

C. P. Barnard has purchased the A. Lombard residence at West Eighth and Charnelton streets, and will move it to his lot on West Ninth street. Clem Hodes and son, William, own the lot where the horse row stands, having recently purchased it from Mr. Lombard.

J. H. Bean, an employe of a logging camp on Fall Creek, is in the Eugene hospital, suffering with a badly cut knee.

Fred B. Bellman, formerly of Eugene, has secured the contract for the erection of a new \$20,000 high school at San Pedro, Cal. Mr. Bellman and family are now residing there and doing well.

The party who took the bicycle lamp from in front of the Presbyterian church Friday night is known. If he will leave the same at the Guard office or at 800 Ferry street no questions will be asked and trouble will be avoided.

At a meeting of the athletic council of the University of Oregon this forenoon Guy Mount, '07, was selected football manager to succeed Fred Stelwer.

Ed E. McClanahan writes that his "Old Truay" incubators won first premium at the California state poultry show at Los Angeles over a large number of competitors.

Dr. C. W. Lowe, of Eugene, and Attorney C. A. Dolph, of Portland, will be given the 33d degree of the Masonic order at Portland some time the latter part of this month. This will be the first time in three years the degree is conferred upon any one in Oregon. It is the highest possible honor at the disposal of the mystic order.

Four carloads of 80-pound steel rails are on the sidetrack at the Eugene depot and will at once be distributed along the main track in readiness for the track-layers who are engaged in substituting the 80-pounders for the 62-pound rails. The distributing crew is working between Creswell and Cottage Grove today and will be here Monday.

**SPRINGFIELD
SCHOOL
BUILDING**

On account of the increasing population of Springfield it is found that the present school building is entirely too small to accommodate the pupils, which now number considerably over 300. In view of this fact the citizens of Springfield have presented a petition to the school board to call a special election to vote on the question of bonding the district in the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of building a new school house. While the board has not acted on the petition it is presumed that they will call the election in the near future. The building will be put in the northeast part of town on block 80, between Sixth and Seventh on North E street, the block being donated by B. A. Washburne.

The building will contain eight rooms with a large assembly hall and the heating apparatus that will be used will cost in the neighborhood of \$1500. Architect John Hanzlicker, of Eugene, has been engaged to draw the plans for the building and has already submitted two or three different ones to the board. Special attention will be given to heat, light and ventilation.

At present the school is very crowded, there being but six rooms and part of the teachers are instructing between 70 and 80 pupils. The attendance is far greater than any previous year and the school board anticipates a far greater growth this year than any previous year during the history of Springfield.—The News.

The Concert

The Linn-Alexander concert at the theatre last night lacked only in the point of attendance. Mrs. Fletcher Linn is an artist in every sense of the word. She has a wonderfully rich soprano voice of great power and the audience fairly fell in love with her interpretation of songs. She was especially good in "Reconnaissance Armoria." Mr. Alexander is also an artist and was especially good in the rendition of the Spanish love song.