

TWO EUGENE WOMEN WOULD WED CHINESE, BUT MARRIAGE LICENSE REFUSED THEM

Guard Special Service.
Stevenson, Wash., Jan. 13.—Two women, giving their names as Minnie Nelson and B. Goodhue, of Eugene, Oregon, accompanied by two Chinese and a man named "Billy" Vale, of Portland, endeavored to secure marriage licenses here this morning, but were turned away by the county clerk. The women were more or less refined, and were well dressed. The Chinese were middle aged and were indignant when the licenses were refused.

REFUSED AT VANCOUVER, ALSO

Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 13.—County Auditor William Marshall yesterday refused to issue marriage licenses to two Chinese women who appeared at the marriage license counter with white women.
"I know there is no law against the unions," said Auditor Marshall, "yet I will not issue them unless forced to."
The couples were accompanied by "Billy" Vale, who said he lived at 287 1-2 Everett street, Portland. Vale is said to conduct a marriage bureau for Orientals desiring white wives.

UNIVERSITY NEEDS APPROPRIATION SAYS DARNELL

State Grange Lecturer Says Organization Will Not Oppost It

At a student body meeting this afternoon H. A. Darnell, state lecturer of the Oregon Grange, stated that large appropriations should be received by the University of Oregon this year. He said he realized that funds are badly needed, and inferred that the granges of the state will offer no opposition to whatever appropriation the legislature may make. He stated that new buildings are needed and cited as an example the Villard hall, which he said had outlived its usefulness.

A most enthusiastic student body meeting characterized the first portion of the commonwealth program at the University this afternoon. The assembly room was filled with students and townspeople, as well as many visitors, and a real college spirit was in evidence. After a song by the glee club, lengthy resolutions were read by Charles Robinson, discussed by prominent students, and passed by a unanimous vote. The nature of the resolutions were explanatory of the students' position toward the commonwealth conferences.

The discussion by the students was first opened by Tom Burke, the general leader of the glee club, and prominent senior, who told of the students' obligations to the state for their education, and how they expected to show their appreciation in the future.

Leslie Debie told of the obligations of the students with their college-attained knowledge, in developing the resources of the state and working for the betterment of the people. Ralph Moore discussed those portions of the governor's message referring to education to the state.

President Campbell urged that the students attend the alumni meeting this evening, at which a paper will be read by Charles V. Galloway, and be followed by a discussion by the alumni members.

FRANK H. RUDKINS
DECLINES JUDGESHIP OF EASTERN WASHINGTON

Olympia, Jan. 12.—Justice Frank H. Rudkins, of the Washington supreme court, today sent a message to President Taft, declining with thanks the judgeship of the Eastern Washington district made vacant by the death of Edward Whitson.

SOME GOOD BOUTS AT DORMITORY

As a commonwealth celebration, at a late hour last night the heavy middle and light-weight championships of the University of Oregon dormitory were fought out. (Continued on page 13)

Kipling Tells Medicine Hat Why It Should Not Change Its Name



What? What's that? So! Who'd have thought it of Medicine Hat? That's "the place the weather comes from," and it's just above the United States in British Columbia. Medicine Hat recently blundered about changing its name because certain irreverent folk laughed at its queer cognomen. Rudyard Kipling, most famous of living authors—poet, story writer, novelist—immediately wrote a letter to the Medicine Hat people, in which he said, among many other things: "So far as I can make out from what I heard when I was with you in 1907 and from the clippings you inclose the chief arguments for the change are: (a) That some United States journalists have some sort of joke that Medicine Hat supplies all the bad weather of the United States and (b) that another name would look better at the head of a prospectus. Incidentally I note that both arguments are developed at length by the Calgary Herald. I always knew that the Calgary Herald called Medicine Hat names, but I did not realize that Medicine Hat wanted to be Calgary's little girl. Now, as to the charge of brewing bad weather, etc., I see no reason on earth why white men should be blamed out on their city's blight by an imported joke. Accept the charge joyously and proudly and go forward as Medicine Hat, the only city officially recognized as capable of freezing out the United States and giving the continent cold feet. Let us examine the sound of the present name Medicine Hat. I have my taps by me, but I seem to remember a few names of places across the border, such as Schenectady, Polk, Schenectady, Poughkeepsie, Potomac, Cohoes, Tonawanda, Oneonta, etc., all of which are rather curious to the outsider."

MOTHER MAY BE DISCHARGED COOK MURDERER OF OWN SON

Child Found Murdered in a Swamp Taken from Children's Home by Mother

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 13.—The body of the five-year-old boy found dead in a swamp on the Schenectady road Tuesday, believed to have been murdered by his mother, was taken to the morgue for autopsy. The child was found in a swampy area near the Schenectady road. The mother, who was charged with the murder, is now in custody.

INDIAN FESTIVAL BRINGS 18 DEATHS AND MANY INJURIES

Troops, Called to Subdue Riots, Fire Into Fobs With Deadly Effect

Bombay, Jan. 12.—Rioting, following the Muharram festival, which usually causes trouble, yesterday brought out the British troops, and troops, which were called to restore order, had to fire several volleys into the mobs. Eighteen persons were killed and 24 injured in the rioting.

FIFTH MAIL POUCH ROBBERY IN 'FRISCO OCCURRED LAST NIGHT

San Francisco, Jan. 12.—The fifth of a series of mail pouch robberies occurring in the last two weeks was reported to the police today. The pouch was taken from its wagon as he was making late collections last night in the financial district. No registered mail was in the sack, and the contents contained nothing of value, it is thought.

CELEBRATES 112TH BIRTHDAY AND SAYS HE CAN PROVE IT

STILL ANOTHER RAILROAD TO SIUSLAW

Pacific Great Western Company Has Filed Articles of Incorporation

THIS IS RESULT OF THE RECENT HUNT SURVEY

Plans Are to Build Steam Railroad Eugene to Florence—Surveyed to Mapleton

It is a dull day for the newspapers when a new railroad proposition is not reported in Eugene. The Lane County Asset company's operations, the movements of the Southern Pacific's crew of surveyors, the Mounce survey and the operations of the Oregon Electric and the Portland, Eugene & Eastern have furnished lots of "copy" for the papers, and now there is another project that promises to attract the attention of the people and cause a whole lot of speculation as to what it means.

The Pacific Great Western Railway company today filed articles of incorporation and maps with the county clerk, having filed them yesterday with the secretary of state. The incorporators are R. B. Hunt, Jesse C. Ayer and Frederick M. DeNeffe, the first named two being residents of Eugene and the third being a well-known young attorney of Portland, formerly of this city. The capital stock of the company is \$50,000. It is proposed to construct a railroad from Eugene westerly to the Siuslaw river, thence following the banks of that river from Mapleton to Florence on Siuslaw bay.

Probably Portland Capital
This is the result of the survey which was started by Mr. Hunt, who is a local civil engineer, last June and completed only a short time ago. It has never been known for whom

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BIG LOCOMOTIVE PLUNGES INTO ICY RIVER

Engine Bringing Aid Rolls Down Embankment, Through Ice Into the River

Spokane, Jan. 13.—Running light at high speed, a Great Northern engine, No. 1912, east-bound from Spokane to relief trains which were snow-bound in the Rockies, left the track four miles east of Priest river, Idaho, today, plunged over a 25-foot embankment and crashed through the ice into the waters of the Pend Oreille river. Engineer W. F. Zantwalt and Fireman Don J. Kessler were killed.

The engine which met the mishap was coupled behind another engine which remained on the rails.

DEMOCRAT PLACED AT HEAD OF I. C. C.

Senate Adjourns Without Action on Election of Senators by Direct Vote of People

Washington, Jan. 13.—Judson C. Clements, of Georgia, was elected as chairman of the interstate commerce commission today, to succeed Judge Martin A. Knapp, of New York. Clements is a Democrat.

After considering the election of senators by direct vote of the people for almost an hour, the senate, without action on the subject, adjourned until Monday. Senator Borah stated that he would not permit much other business until a day was fixed for a vote on the resolution.

BYLESBY OFFICIALS ON WAY TO CHICAGO

Eleven representatives of companies operated by the H. M. Bylesby Company in the Northwest, left on a special car on the Union Pacific Northwest line yesterday morning for Chicago, where they will attend a general convention of representatives of the concern which opens there next week. Included in the party are the following: Henry H. Hyde, and P. J. Diekmann, of the Tacoma Gas company; M. D. Spencer and D. W. Wickersham, of the Great Pacific company, at Eugene; J. W. White of Dallas; R. M. Jennings of Marshfield; A. B. Grossbeck, of the Olympia Gas company, and Fred V. Holman, A. P. Douglas, R. B. Canfield and A. A. Ferrar of the

GREATEST OF COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCES; MRS. WALDO ON IDEAL RURAL LIFE

To make the rural centres social centres, and to make the country life as attractive as the city, was the theme of Mrs. Clara H. Waldo, the first speaker on the University commonwealth program at Villard hall this morning. In a beautiful picture Mrs. Waldo showed that the farms had degenerated from the ideal conditions in the South before the war, where the cities were not important, to a condition of the lowest nature, where isolation had dulled the sensibilities of the farmer. It is now necessary, she declared, to restore the former condition by adding the social element. This she would do by co-operative plans, and the establishment of small rural centres, which will have all the advantages of the city from good streets to electric lights and power, with parks, athletic fields, experimental gardens and play grounds.

Mrs. Waldo has many original ideas. She believes that she has the solution of the building of good roads at a very reasonable cost, as soon as chemists can discover the proper chemical. She believes that earth may be scraped from the side of the road, placed in a great heater, melted and mixed with this necessary chemical, and then poured over the highway in a molten and plastic form, and when hardened will be a perfect road.

It is her idea to restore to the farm the attractions which draw the young men away. Machinery has also taken men away, and it will be necessary to make the attractions additionally alluring to the ambitious youth or the career-old couple.

She showed the necessity of organization among the farmers, and how this is now being accomplished by means of associations, such as the wool, the hop and the poultry growers' associations, and more especially by the establishment of the granges. These granges are now trying to make themselves heard from among the other great organizations of labor and capital. The parcels post is one of their cries, but this does not seem to have yet been heard.

There are two movements in Oregon, one to absorb the small farms and convert them into great syndicate ranches, and the other is to cut up large tracts into small fruit and specialty farms. Mrs. Waldo does not approve of either of these, but admits that both are here to stay and it is necessary to make the best of the circumstances. The great farms drive out the people and make isolation more complete, and the small specializing farms antagonize her co-operative plan. She told of the operations of these plans as she has seen them in Europe.

Darnell Discusses Points
H. A. Darnell, of Gresham, began the discussion. He emphasized the importance of good roads, and told of the development of modern intensive farming, where brains play a part more than brawn, and also of the growing prosperity of the farmers of this state. He also told of the great advantages the farmers secured

by co-operation, and of the features of the state grange.

L. R. Aldermen Talks
L. R. Aldermen told of the efforts of the public school authorities of this state. The two main channels of their energies are to train teachers and to divide up the districts so that a supervisor will not have charge of more than 40 districts, and not have the condition existing, as in this county, where one man has charge of over 180 districts. He told of the development of high schools in the state, and showed where but 10 years ago there were only six high schools in the state, there were last year 60, and next year there will be some 144. He emphasized the necessity of leaders in the school work.

A spirited but friendly discussion followed upon points brought out in previous talks. One speaker declared that the conditions of country life of the early South, as advocated by Mrs. Waldo, would not be desirable in the present age, and also that this early condition and that of early Greece, which had been also compared was dependent upon slavery. Professor Young said that the modern age is based upon democracy, and that the idea cannot be the rural centre, but a civic centre. It is a matter of evolution, and the city is to be the development.

Mr. Butler on Normal Schools
Because of limited time the address of J. B. Butler was short. The chief point mentioned by him was that the product of normal schools paid for themselves to the state directly by the value received from teaching. He declared that the social life should be more applied to the younger students, in order to broaden their conception. He stated that in spite of the fact that many teachers were in more of a demand, he believed the woman teacher as efficient.

The following is the program for tomorrow:

Saturday, January 14—Forenoon Session, 9 O'clock.

"Development of a Public Health Conference Among the people of Oregon." Paper by William House, M. D., Portland.

"Discussion—Led by W. Carlton Smith, M. D., Salem.

"The Lawyer's Relation to Society." Paper by Alfred E. Clark, attorney-at-law, Portland.

"Discussion—Led by Hon. W. R. King, Salem.

Afternoon Session, 2 O'clock
"Land and Stream Surveys." Paper by J. C. Stevens, consulting engineer, Portland.

"Discussion—D. C. Cheney, U. S. reclamation service, Portland; Hon. J. N. Test, Portland.

"Taxation of Water Power by the State." Paper by John H. Lewis, state engineer, Salem.

"Utilization of Electricity from Water Power on the Farms and in the Homes and Factories." Paper by O. B. Caldwell, general superintendent power and light department Portland, R. R. L. & P. Co.

"Discussion—M. D. Spencer, manager Oregon Power Co.

Engineer Disregards Signals. and Express Trains Collide

Itavala, N. Y., Jan. 13.—In a collision between the Boston and Buffalo express and train No. 23 on the New York Central here today four were killed and eighteen injured. The bodies of the dead were terribly mutilated, making identification difficult.

Disregard of signals by the engineer of the western express caused the wreck, according to Superintendent Everett of the railroad. Of the injured, three probably will die and eleven are in serious condition.

FAIR WEATHER CONTINUED COLD

Oregon and Washington—Fair tonight and Saturday; colder.
Idaho—Fair tonight and Saturday; colder.

The population of Albion on Tuesday 1 as shown by actual count, by the Census Bureau.

Albion has 663 in the immediate suburbs, a part of the city, a total of 8129. This is correct regardless of the much less figures given by the national census.—Democrat.

SERIOUS WRECK ON NEW YORK RAILROAD

EUGENE IS FOURTH CITY IN SIZE IN OREGON

Census Figures Place Astoria Third—Baker and Ashland Count Given

Guard Special Service.
Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—The census bureau today announced the population of all cities in Oregon containing over 5000, together with their population in 1900, as follows:

	1910	1900
Portland	297,211	90,426
Salem	14,094	4,458
Astoria	9,599	8,281
Eugene	9,009	3,326
Medford	8,840	1,791
Baker	6,742	6,663
Ashland	5,020	2,652

It will be seen that Eugene is the fourth city in size in the state—that is, Greater Portland makes it so. Albany, Pendleton and other cities, whose counts have not yet been given out, are evidently below the 5,000 mark.

THE WHEAT MARKETS
Tacoma, Jan. 13.—Wheat, 85¢; forty-fold, 84¢; club, 83¢; Red Russian, 81¢.
Portland, Jan. 13.—Wheat is unchanged.
Chicago, Jan. 13.—May, 101 7-8; July, 96 7-8; September, 95 1-8.

The school census for Polk county shows 2,340 boys and 2,119 girls, a total of 4,459, or a gain over last year.