

## FLEET SAILS FOR HOME

Leaves Manila on Second Half of Trip Around World.

Manila, Dec. 1.—The Atlantic battleship fleet, which left Hampton Roads December 16 last, sailed from Manila on the latter half of its world-encircling voyage today. The rough weather and recent heavy rains have greatly delayed the work of getting the fleet ready to sail for home.

A reception by the Tabacalera Company, the great Spanish tobacco corporation in the Philippines, to the sailors and their friends, numbering several thousand, and a dinner given by the English Club to Rear-Admirals Sperry, Emory, Wainwright and Schroeder and 60 officers, were the principal features of Sunday's programme of entertainment. At the dinner given by the English Club, which was a private function, President Alexander Stephen and Rear-Admiral Sperry were the principal speakers.

With their homeward-bound pennant streaming, the 16 battleships, after clearing Manila Bay, will head for Colombo, Ceylon, where they are due in two weeks. They will stay there six days and then proceed to Suez without stopping.

The question of the final port in America has not yet been definitely decided. The vessels are due in Hampton Roads or New York February 22. When the fleet reaches the United States it will have traversed since December 16, 1907, when it left Hampton Roads, a distance of 42,227 miles.

## DISBARRED ATTORNEY KILLS PROSECUTOR IN PORTLAND

Portland, Or., Nov. 30.—Attorney Ralph B. Fisher, prosecutor for the Grievance Committee of the Oregon State Bar Association, was shot and killed almost instantly Saturday afternoon by Attorney J. A. Finch, who had recently been disbarred as the result of charges of drunkenness that were prosecuted by Mr. Fisher. Mr. Fisher was a member of the law firm of Baker & Fisher. He was 28 years of age and had been practicing law in this city for four years. He was a graduate of the Monmouth State Normal School and studied law with a firm at Troy, Idaho, where he was admitted to the bar.

James A. Finch is 38 years of age and was admitted to the practice of law eight years ago. He is a native of this state and practiced for brief periods in both Albany and Salem. He is said to have figured in one or more "gun plays" and was recently disbarred from practicing in this state for a period of one year.

## ASSURE CANNON SPEAKERSHIP OF NEXT CONGRESS

Washington, Dec. 3.—Friends of Speaker Cannon profess to be pleased with the responses to letters which Representative J. R. Mann, of Chicago, has been sending to the members, announcing that the Illinois delegation will place in nomination the name of Joseph G. Cannon for Speaker of the 61st Congress. They state that these answers assure the election of the Speaker.

Attention is gradually shifting from the Speakership to the proposal to amend the rules of the House. There are indications that the Speaker may not offer much opposition to some amendments.

## STEVENSON WILL CONTEST DENEEN FOR GOVERNORSHIP

Chicago, Nov. 30.—Adlai E. Stevenson purports a contest against Charles E. Deneen for the Governorship of Illinois. The Democratic candidate has come to the belief that he received a majority of the votes cast as between himself and Governor Deneen in the last election. Chairman Boeschstein, of the state committee, after a conference with Democratic leaders, said:

"We would not be performing our duty were we not to make public testimony which has come to us since election day.

"It will convince the legislature that thousands of votes were wrongfully counted for Deneen. The contest will be made."

The official canvass gave Deneen 23,164 plurality.

## PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 89c; Red Russian, 87c; bluestem, 95c; Valley, 91c.  
Barley—Feed, \$26.50; rolled, \$27.50 @ 28.50.  
Oats—No. 1 white, \$31; gray, \$30.  
Hay—Timothy, Willamette Valley, fancy, \$15; do. ordinary, \$12; Eastern Oregon, mixed, \$16; do. fancy, \$17.50; alfalfa, \$12; clover, \$12.  
Butter—Extra, 36 @ 37c; fancy, 32 @ 34c; choice, 30c store, 18 @ 20c.  
Eggs—Extra, 37 1/2 @ 40c.  
Hops—1908, choice, 8 @ 8 1/2c; prime, 7 @ 7 1/2c; medium, 5 1/2 @ 6c; 1907, 2 @ 4c.  
Wool—Valley 14 @ 15 1/2c; do. Eastern Oregon, 8 @ 16c, as to linkage.  
Mohair—Choice, 18 @ 19c.

## SEATTLE MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem, 96 1/2c.  
Oats—\$30 @ 34.  
Barley—\$26.  
Hay—Eastern Washington timothy, \$16 per ton; Puget Sound hay, \$10 @ 11 per ton; wheat hay, \$12 per ton; alfalfa, \$9.50 @ 10 per ton.  
Butter—Washington creamery, 36c per lb.; ranch, 21 @ 23c per lb.  
Eggs—Selected local, 45 @ 48c.

## OREGON BRIEFLETS

The First National Bank of Hermiston has been authorized to begin business with a capital of \$25,000.

Run over by a wagon laden with water, Abram Dougherty, aged 60, of Moro, Sherman county, was killed last week. He got off the wagon to open a gate and fell under the wheels of the wagon.

The Railroad Commission has taken up with the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company the consideration of the matter of heating all cars in the suburban service and also providing toilet facilities on such cars.

George Clark Summers, the Methodist minister of Gardiner, was taken to Texas last week by a sheriff of that state last week. Miss Bessie Massey, with whom Summers eloped from Texas, accompanied them and will make her home with her father.

During the past fishing season several silversides that were peculiarly marked were caught in the Columbia river. It is believed these fish are from the hatcheries of Puget Sound, as there is no record of any silverside fry having been marked at any of the Oregon hatcheries.

A man giving the name of Grant Rollins appeared at the office of the chief of police of Salem, Saturday, and confessed that he had obtained property by fraud in Portland and asked to be taken into custody. He will not give his true name, but says he came from San Francisco and is a stranger in Oregon.

Driven from the home of his wife's stepfather and told to rustle for themselves a few days before his wife became a mother and driven to desperation by his failure to secure work with which to provide for his wife and new-born babe, Bert Winkley, of Grant County, committed suicide. He was 22 years old.

Although the wheels of a truck bearing four tons of feed passed over the body of Peter Kalmos, a Greek, at Portland Saturday afternoon, he still lives. Both wheels went over the man and he was picked up unconscious. An examination by physicians showed that no bones were broken.

The largest and most unique walnut orchard in the state of Oregon is being planted in Lincoln county by C. M. Giddings, of Albany. Giddings has acquired large tracts of land in the Coast Range from the owners of the old Corvallis and Yaquina Bay Wagon Road grant and is planning the utilization of 320 acres in walnut culture.

For the purpose of furthering the movement having for its object the establishment of the rule by which fourth-class postmasters will hold their positions during life or good behavior, instead of being subject to change of Congressmen, the postmasters of Umatilla county met in Pendleton last week and formed a county association.

That Wallowa county has a big legal battle on its hands is evident from the appeals of the big timber companies holding large tracts of timber lands in that county, from the action of the Wallowa County Board of Equalization in the matter of assessment of the timber lands. The assessor this year assessed each quarter section of timber land at \$1000, regardless of location or of condition.

Governor Chamberlain has accepted an appointment as member of a committee of 100 composed of representatives of all the states to call upon the President, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives about December 9 and notify these officials of the action taken by the "Lakes to the Gulf Deep Waterways Association." The organization favored internal waterways improvement and as a representative of a state interested in this subject, Governor Chamberlain was made a member of the committee.

Fearing delays in the reorganization plans of A. Booth & Co., of Chicago, with a subsidiary concern at Astoria, attorneys for the fishermen who were employed by the firm at Astoria have petitioned Judge Wolverton to notify W. J. Chalmers, the Eastern receiver, that after November 29, the time set for the hearing here, no further time will be allowed the company. Something like \$24,000 is due the Astoria fishermen and the attorneys want this money paid over to the employees, or an order issued winding up the Oregon interests of the concern. Judge Wolverton has appointed Fred Barker, of Astoria, receiver for the subsidiary concern. Property worth \$120,000 is owned by the firm in Oregon.

Goldman Anthony, a 15-year-old boy, is in jail at Baker City on the charge of arson, having set fire to three school buildings, all of which were totally destroyed, and three other buildings, two of which were also completely destroyed. The boy has confessed his guilt and says that he burned the school buildings to "get even" with his teacher, who had reprimanded him; he set fire to the other buildings because he wanted to see them burn. The losses caused by this firebug total \$35,000. Five buildings, including the magnificent new North Baker High School, were totally destroyed. His depredations have continued for a period of more than five months.

W. H. Lamb, a man of 40 years, was arrested as an accomplice of the boy. Lamb is considered a man of weak intellect. His connection with incendiary grows out of the confession made by young Anthony. He has a wife and family in Baker City.

# A Mighty Stock Reducing Sale!

**N**EARLY one whole month of Bargain Giving Beginning Monday Morning, Dec. 7, and lasting throughout the entire month of December.

More dollars worth of new up-to-date and reliable merchandise offered at this sale for smaller prices than was ever offered the people of Washington County, at one time in our history. Just now we find our stock of goods, larger than we want it, and in order to reduce it we have inaugurated this

## Mighty Clearance Sale

We think you will think, that it is to your interest and everybody's interest to get busy and attend this sale. Its a money-saving event for the purchasing public. You will find throughout the whole big store rare bargains in all lines of merchandise carried in a big General Store.

We don't figure on profits in this sale. Our object is to reduce our stock. These goods must go and they will go, because we will make the prices that will make them go.

**THE GRAND OPENING DAY** will be worth coming miles to attend. We are going to make a superhuman effort to sell more goods, give bigger and better bargains, take in more dollars, turn out more well-pleased customers, wait on more people, reduce our stock more on this Grand Opening Day than was ever done in one day by any store in this county, or any other county in this great state of Oregon.

### Ribbon! Ribbon!!

Fifteen miles of ribbon go on sale Monday, December 7. Every known shade, New fancy Dresden and floral patterns. You will find any kind of ribbon here that you may want. Our big Ribbon Stock is at its best and during this sale all the choicest and newest things go along with all staple kinds, at a big reduction in prices.

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One line high cut Shoes regular \$5 Sale price \$3.95.

We also have many other bargains in our Shoe Department.

A limited number of boys' long pants sale price 50 cents to 99 cents. One large corduroy vest free to any man whom it will fit.

### Comforts! Blankets!!

Sweeping reduction on all Comforts and Blankets. We overestimated our wants when purchasing our comforts this year, and in order to reduce them we are offering the following prices:

\$7.25 value, one only.....	\$5.75
6.50 " reduced to.....	4.75
3.50 " " ".....	2.75
2.25 " " ".....	1.75
4.50 " one only.....	3.39
2.75 " reduced to.....	1.99
2.50 " " ".....	1.95
3.85 " " ".....	2.85

Big Reduction on Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats.

Boys' pants, slightly damaged \$ .25

" Vests, values 50c to \$1.00 .25

2000 yards of calico going in this big Reduction Sale at 5 cents per yard.

### Big Reduction in

#### Outing Flannel

2500 yards of Outing Flannel go on sale Monday, Dec. 7. This is the time of year when you need this class of merchandise and it will be to your interest to come while the assortment is good. Regular 12 1-2 and 15c outings go during this sale at 10c per yard.

Embroidery values to 18 cents per yard reduced to 10 cents per yard. One lot of embroideries at 5 cents per yard.

Ladies', Misses and Children's Coats greatly reduced in price. It will cost you nothing to call and get our prices.

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### School Report.

Report of Watts School for month ending November 27:

No days taught, 18; No. days attendance, 773; No. days absence, 37; No. pupils enrolled, 50; average daily attendance, 43; pupils neither absent nor tardy: Pearl Stevenson, Louis Stevenson, Mabel Adams, Ladell Stevenson, Clarence Rice, Alice Wilson, Frieda Schmale, Sophia Schmale, Claude Johnson, Roy Knighten, Mildred Harris, Wilma Harris, Edna McCaleb, Willie Davidson, Amy Davidson, Fred Busch, Albert Busch, Robert Busch, Julia Bemiss, Henry Busch, Lois Bemiss, Ruth Bemiss, Helen Leser; not absent but tardy: Rachel Pechin, Paul Pechin, Edna Parkin.

MARTHA TRAYER, Teacher.

—W. O. W. will give a dance in Masonic Hall Xmas eve. Walker's Orchestra. Admission 75c. Everybody invited. 21-14.

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