

**CELEBRITIES AT PALM BEACH**



Photos by American Press Association. James Whitcomb Riley, the Hoosier poet (left), Henry Watterson, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal (right), and Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, in a perambulating chair at Palm Beach, Fla.

what constitutes defensive armament. Ambassador Bernstorff conferred with Charge Zwiadenek before going to the conference with Lansing. The embassy said it did not expect postponement of the armed enemy merchantmen decree.

**PORTLAND MARKETS**

Portland, Feb. 28.—Today's market quotations were:  
Wheat—Club, 83; bluestem, 90 @ 97.  
Oats—No. 1 white feed, 25 @ 26.50.  
Barley—Feed, 28.50.  
Hogs—Best live, 8 @ 8.05.  
Prime steers, 7.50 @ 7.70; fancy cows, 6.50; best calves, 8.  
Spring lambs, 9 @ 9.05.  
Butter—City creamery, 31; country, 25 @ 29.  
Eggs—Selected, 18 @ 20.  
Hens, 16 @ 17; broilers, 18 @ 20; geese, 19 @ 11.  
Copper, 28.

Never Self Applied. "Father," said the small boy, "what's a state of righteous indignation?" "A state of righteous indignation, my son, is the frame of mind into which you drift because of some other person's shortcomings."—Washington Star.

**JOSHUA W. ALEXANDER.**

Congressman Presents Bill For Government Merchant Marine.



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Republican Candidate for  
Nominee for  
State Senator

**SLAIN AT WILDERVILLE**

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breast and the other just back of the shoulders.

**Mr. Akers Shot Four Times**

Mrs. Akers had been shot through the breast, and death was apparently nearly instantaneous. Mr. Akers was shot in at least four places, however, and had undoubtedly put up a fight to protect himself from his assailant. Three shots had passed through his right forearm within a few inches of each other, and another shot had passed through his body. Entering the head at the left eye was a fifth wound, this nearly blowing the top of the head from the body. It was evident, however, that the same bullet that had crashed through Mr. Akers' head had been one that had first penetrated his forearm as he raised the arm in protection. Otherwise eight shots would have to be accounted for, and only seven empty shells were found.

**Bousman Attempted Suicide**

In his story to the newspaperman, Bousman said that after committing the crime he went at once to his own home, and he thought he would end it all by taking his own life. He went into the loft over his woodshed, he said, made himself a bed of sacks, drank the contents of a bottle of laudanum, and laid down to die. The overdose of the poison proved an emetic, however, and he soon threw the poison out of his stomach, though it left him deathly sick, and he was still a very sick man when brought to the jail by the sheriff. He still had his rifle, which he had reloaded in both magazine and barrel after his return to his home, and other cartridges in the house, though he evidently did not wish to die badly enough to fire one of them into his own head. Bousman is a widower who has lived by himself the most of the time during the past 11 years since removing to the Applegate district. He has been a prospector and miner. He had the reputation of being quarrelsome, and had had trouble with others besides the Akers.

**Inquest Is Held**

The bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Akers were brought to Grants Pass Sunday night, and this morning an inquest was held at Hall's undertaking rooms. The jury was composed of Messrs. W. O. Hill, C. H. McCann, A. M. Ruttencutter, J. B. Robinson, E. V. Smith and Paul Ruttencutter. After hearing the evidence they returned a verdict holding that Mr. and Mrs. Akers came to their deaths from gunshot wounds inflicted by M. D. Bousman, Sr., and holding the latter responsible for the killing.

**An Estimable Couple**

Mr. and Mrs. Akers had lived in the Wilderville neighborhood for 11 years, living upon a farm on Bull creek, three miles from the village. Mr. Akers was a former minister of the Methodist church, coming to Oregon from Minnesota and Wisconsin, where he had been upon the circuit. Since coming to this state he had preached on many occasions, often occupying the pulpit at Wilderville. He was 64 years of age, and was a native of Illinois.

Mrs. Akers was 54 years, four months and 23 days of age, and was born in Wisconsin, her parents being

Mr. and Mrs. David Spalding. She has three brothers in Grants Pass, they being Wm., Benjamin R., and Francis J. Spalding. She also has two sisters at Bend, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Akers had many friends in the Wilderville district, where they were held in high esteem, and the tragedy that removed them from the community was a shock that has left their friends and neighbors dumbfounded.

The funeral services will be held at Wilderville, at the church, Wednesday, at two o'clock.

**ENGLISH ORDER MAY SETTLE DEADLOCK**

Washington, Feb. 28.—England's alleged orders to merchant ships to attack submarines, as claimed by Germany, seemed today to offer the last hope for a satisfactory adjustment of the German-American deadlock.

If these orders are proved to exist, the American position toward Germany may be somewhat altered.

Ambassador von Bernstorff's instructions from Berlin, however, offered no apparent basis for a settlement. The German envoy had an appointment with Secretary Lansing shortly before noon.

Austrian Charge d'Affaires Zwiadenek also had instructions from his government in the matter of the Teuton decree for war on armed merchant vessels, and it was regarded as possible he would visit Lansing also.

Though the state department heads expect no postponement of this decree, they were gratified that Germany, in her instructions, has recognized that the Lusitania settlement is involved in the decree dispute.

Von Bernstorff's word from Berlin was reported to include assurances that Germany recognizes the pledges given in the Lusitania and Arabic cases not to attack peaceful ships without warning, but it is said to hold that armed vessels are not peaceful ships entitled to such consideration.

Congress is not expected to interfere in the administration's German-American course. Excitement there has subsided. Senator Gore said he would not press his resolution calling for a warning to Americans to keep off armed belligerent merchant ships, and the house pacifists have practically abandoned similar agitation.

The house and senate kept hands off in the situation.

It is reported Bernstorff's instructions point out that danger to Americans from the German decree is remote and administration men believe this is a fact, particularly as no armed British, French or Russian ships touch America and take American passengers. The general arming of Italian ships is the principal danger. But Germany is not at war with Italy, so naturally would not attack her ships. Any dispute about Americans on Italian armed ships would probably be with Austria, which is at war with Italy.

It is reliably reported that Germany is not yet proposing to discuss

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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL CLEAN-UP DAY**

I wish to announce to the public that Wednesday, March 1, will be observed this year as the official clean-up day for the city of Grants Pass. Property owners, tenants and citizens generally are earnestly requested to co-operate with us in the important work of improving the appearance of the city and of maintaining sanitary conditions by the removal of all rubbish from premises under their respective control.

Street Superintendent R. A. Dean will have charge of the work of hauling the accumulated rubbish to the city dumping grounds. The teams will begin to haul on the morning of March 1. It will therefore be necessary for the people to begin now in order that all rubbish shall be in readiness by the time the hauling begins.

In the interests of efficiency and economy please observe the following suggestions:

- 1st. Reduce your quota to the minimum by burning all combustible rubbish.
- 2nd. Put tin cans, broken crockery, glass and all like accumulations in boxes or sacks to facilitate handling.
- 3rd. Place the accumulation outside of your yards, on the side of alleys accessible to wagons.
- 4th. Have your part of the work finished before March 1, and thus avoid the necessity of an additional trip to your neighborhood.

Yours truly,  
J. P. TRUAX, Mayor.

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