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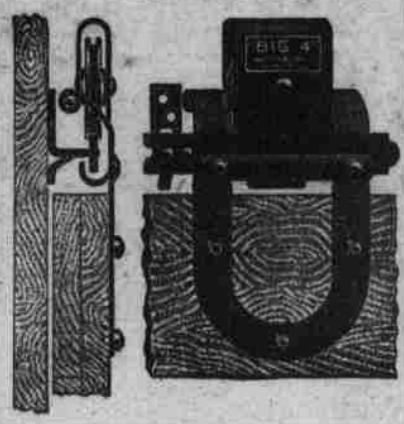
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MAY BE A FAMINE

WATER SUPPLY IN WALLA WALLA IS RUNNING LOW.

Flush Tanks Already Reduced—Continued Hot Weather Will Create Havoc.

Walla Walla, July 14.—This city is confronted with the possibility of a water famine that will exceed anything in its history. The cool weather of yesterday and the day before checked the condition at the water works, but with a few days of continuous hot weather the city will be squarely up against it. At 10 o'clock Monday night there was less than five feet of water in the reservoir, and had a fire broken out at that hour there is no telling what damage might have been done before it could have been gotten under control.

The water situation is the most serious it has ever been. Already City Engineer Clark has shut down the flushing tanks as low as it is possible for them to be operated with safety. The next step will be to cut off street sprinkling, and after that lawn taps will have to be closed. It is absolutely necessary to have water for flushing tanks and household uses, but even the supply for these purposes may become insufficient for the demands.

Asa Le Grow Dangerously Ill.

Asa Le Grow, the Walla Walla sheepman, father of F. S. Le Grow, cashier of the First National bank of this city, is dangerously ill in a Portland hospital with an attack of heart trouble. He has not been feeling in the best of health for some time, and advices from Portland state that he is in a critical condition. His daughter, Mrs. R. D. Walsh, and son, Fay, have been with him for the past three days, and his other daughter, Mrs. J. S. Winn went to Portland Saturday night.

Normal School Catalogue.

The new catalogues of the Eastern Oregon State Normal School issued recently from the state printing office present a very attractive appearance. The cuts, which include views of the town, school buildings, and interior views, are remarkably clear and well brought out. The typographical work is neat and in every way creditable.—Weston Leader.

JAPS SUCCESSFULLY TAKE TWO TOWNS

Fierce Engagement Between Forces of Two Armies at Kai Chou.

New Chwang, July 14.—News has been received here of the taking of Kinchow and also of the occupation of Kashigon. Kinchow is a town on the Tien Tsin railroad, a few miles west of here.

Chee Foo, July 14.—A spirited land engagement is in progress near Kai Chou, according to private advices received here today. This battle had been long expected. A large number of forces of both armies are engaged.

Russians Leave Strong Positions.

London, July 14.—The Tokio correspondent of the Daily Telegraph sends official dispatches giving the progress of the Takushan army up to July 11, on which date the heights south of Sekisafu were stormed and taken after a stubborn resistance. The Russians, the

dispatches say, have retired from Seniyau, where they had strongly fortified positions.

St. Petersburg, July 14.—A dispatch today reports that the force of Japanese which began to march at Tatichi Kiao, has returned to Kai Chow.

Rumors of Fall of Port Arthur. London, July 14.—There is published this morning a rumor that Port Arthur had fallen; but it is discredited, and lacks confirmation of any sort.

Russian Losses Insignificant.

Ta Tche Kiao, July 14.—All accounts of General Samsonoff's retirement from Kaichou agree it was carried out with the most perfect order and that the Russian losses were insignificant, while the Japanese suffered heavily from the

NEGROES EMPLOYED

PACKING TRUST PAYING LOWER WAGES THAN INDEPENDENT COMPANIES.

Price of Meat in New York Advanced Two Cents Per Pound—Standstill at Kansas City.

Chicago, July 13.—Peaceful was the condition of affairs in the stock yards territory this morning. Knots of strikers were to be seen looking over the situation, but there was no disorder except a case where a number of Poles upset a couple of cinder wagons.

Eighty negroes were taken into the plants last night to assist in transferring beef to coolers. Most of the work being done is in the nature of a clean-up, getting the odds and ends together.

Several hundred police are within easy reach of the yards should trouble appear.

President Donnelly, of the Butchers' Union, this morning said to the Scripps News, that all being asked of the packers is that 18½ cents per hour be maintained for the laborers, and in view of the fact that the average working time in nearly all departments is less than 40 hours per week, it could readily be seen the union's demands was reasonable. All the independent companies Donnelly said, are paying a much higher rate than the union asks the trust companies to pay.

New York July 13.—Thirty-four hundred butchers and other employes joined the meat strike this morning. The packers called on the police for protection, which was granted. The retailers lost no time boosting prices two cents.

ANOTHER FLOOD AT HEPNER.

Much Destruction of Property—Two Persons Drowned at Mitchell.

Hepner, July 12.—A terrific rain-storm occurred here last night and caused considerable damage along Hinton and Willow creeks. The rain commenced to fall in torrents about 7 o'clock which caused considerable alarm among the citizens of Hepner. The people generally went to higher ground. The main body of water came along Willow creek about 10 o'clock, in some places going out of the banks and making an awful roar. Much damage was done by washing away fences and hay. About 12 o'clock another rush of water came down Hinton creek, doing much damage to bottom ranches.

Fossil, July 12.—One-third of the town of Mitchell was utterly destroyed by a flood 25 feet high, which poured down the narrow canyons of Bridge and Mill creeks last night. Martin Smith and Mrs. Bethune, both aged people of about 80, were drowned. The remaining inhabitants were barely able to get up the sides of the canyon in time to escape the flood. Twenty-eight buildings, which were located in the canyon bottom, were completely wiped out by the wall of water.

DEED MAY HOLD.

Union County Discovers a New Difficulty in Moving County Seat.

La Grande, July 14.—A new phase of the county seat removal question now confronts the people of this county.

When the deed was made to Union county for the present court house grounds at Union, by Samuel Hanna in 1874, it stipulated that the title to the property should remain with the county only so long as it should be used as a court house site, but when it should cease to be so used, then it and all appurtenances should revert to the heirs of the Hanna estate.

Now that the county seat will come to La Grande and the building on the Hanna property will cease to be used as a court house, the heirs have already begun action to recover the property and prevent the removal of the vaults in the offices and the steel cells in the county jail to La Grande, claiming that by the provisions of the deed, these are "appurtenances" and belong to the real estate.

According to the law, nothing but the books, records and movable effects of the county can be removed from the building.

Huckleberry Crop.

The huckleberry crop this season will be very heavy all over the mountains. The frosts which played havoc with crops and gardens in the foothill districts did not injure the berry crop to any extent.

Death of Mrs. J. A. Baddeley

Mrs. J. A. Baddeley, wife of the prominent Weston farmer and horseman, died Wednesday at 5 p. m. at the farm residence near Weston, after a brief illness, with blood poisoning.

Mrs. Baddeley, whose maiden name was Mary Morgan, has been a resident of this county since 1871 and leaves a

husband and three unmarried sons. Her husband, "Charley" Baddeley, was a former partner of ex-County Judge G. A. Hartman in farming enterprises and was well known.

The funeral is held today at 2 o'clock and interment will take place in the Weston cemetery.

Street Grading is Finished

The work of grading Third and Fourth streets for a distance of three blocks, from Main to College streets, has been finished, and crushed rock has been used in filling in around the O. R. & N.

depot. Athena how has three of the best streets of any town in the state outside of Portland. The city is to be congratulated on having finished the work before the heavy wheat hauling begins.

DAMAGING FIRE AT PENDLETON

Fire is Extinguished by 1 O'clock This Morning—House Is Saved.

Pendleton, July 15.—Fire broke out in the residence of Fred Langever a few minutes after 12:30 o'clock this morning and before the department had arrived the flames had gotten a good headway. It looked as if the house was doomed, but the hose company responded quickly and in a few minutes got the fire under control. The kitchen where the fire

started was badly burned and other rooms were charred to a great extent. All the furniture was destroyed and the loss is estimated at \$2,000, mostly covered by insurance.

Mr. Langever and family are at Lebanon springs. As no member of the family had been in the house for over a week, the fire was undoubtedly of incendiary origin.

Indian Agent Appointed

Pendleton, June 15.—News has been received in this city that Chas. S. McNichols, an Indian inspector of Arizona, has been appointed bonded superintendent of the Umatilla agency, to succeed Agent Wilkins, who handed in his

resignation to the department some time ago. Charles Robinson will be retained as clerk on the reservation. It is understood that Senator Mitchell has recommended the appointment of Allen A. Cunningham, of Salem, as Indian inspector to succeed Inspector McNichols.

Caught Two of the Men

Two of the men charged with the killing of the sheep belonging to Davin & Eyraud in the northeast part of the county last week and with threatening the life of the herder, J. Rubail, have been arrested and taken to Pendleton and are now out under \$250 bail. Harry Kelly, one of the alleged cattlemen, was

taken Wednesday by Sheriff Taylor and yesterday afternoon Deputy Sheriff J. A. Blakley arrived with William Wood who was given an immediate hearing. While the herder said there were three men in the party that did the work only two have been arrested, it being impossible so far to find the third man.