

A Chefoo dispatch says: Authoritative information has been received of a general attack upon Port Arthur by the Japanese forces, which began yesterday before daybreak and continued until dark. All indications point to an effort to capture certain of the northwest main forts. This is the attack for which the Japanese have been preparing for the past 10 days, with dignified hopes of success. As forecasted in these dispatches, the Japanese attack on Port Arthur is directed against the northeast front. The main object is to capture the fortifications on Kikwan Mountain, Rihling Mountain and the intermediate forts. The foregoing comes from a Russian officer of standing, whose previous information has been correct. Since August 31 the Japanese have bombarded very slightly, while the Russians have thrown approximately 1000 shells daily, chiefly against the four Japanese positions mentioned. Small sorties, as referred to by the Novikraj of Port Arthur, in the efforts to recapture the positions have been of almost nightly occurrence and have been uniformly unsuccessful. During the fighting in August, the attempt to capture Kikwan Mountain cost the Japanese an entire regiment. This statement has been absolutely confirmed, and indicates the monumental proportions of the task which the Japanese have set for themselves in attempting to capture the fortress.

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### PUT DAMPER ON DOUBTFUL SCHEMES

#### Portland Chamber of Commerce Takes Steps against all Fakers

"No subscription given to charities or advertising schemes unless endorsed by the Portland Chamber of Commerce." Hereafter the foregoing notice will be posted up in the place of business of every member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, as a warning to every solicitor to keep away or first have consulted with a special committeeman of the Chamber and received from it an endorsement of the worth of his scheme. Acting on an order of the trustees of the Chamber at a recent meeting, Assistant Secretary M. Moeschuh today mailed to all the members of the Chamber of Commerce a circular letter relative to this subject, accompanied by a card, on which is printed the foregoing quotation.

#### Travel by Sea

Arrivals today by steamer Alliance from the south: From San Francisco: O S Jordan, Miss E Wickman, Outhbert, O P Allen, Bay Tibbotts, Mrs J W Tibbotts, Hazel Tibbotts, W P Whitney, J Mahoney, J Jenkins, Mrs P Blaisdel. From France: Miss A Lee and child, A J Sweet, Miss T Sweet, Miss T Kinstone, Mrs W J E J Dean, W A Johnson, E at, Mrs F Gillman, G Stewart, Johnson, R G Cook.

The Marshfield Chamber of Commerce met in the rooms of the Chamber last evening with President J. A. Matson in the chair and several visitors present.

H. Sengstacken, of the committee appointed to solicit stock in the wood-ware factory, made his report, and President Matson declared the committee discharged. C. J. Broschke reported that he had been working quietly on the project and that the matter was progressing favorably, the establishment of the factory being practically certain. In this connection, he said that figures showed that in the last three months 20,000 school desks had been brought from the East into Oregon, eastern Idaho and Washington, showing that a demand would be found at once for such goods made here.

A motion by Mr. Sengstacken, that the Chamber of Commerce offer its endorsement to the persons promoting a woodenware factory, was carried. Mr. Sengstacken reported that 700 copies, more or less, of the Sunday Oregonian containing a write-up of this section could be procured at 4 cents each, suggested that at least 500 copies be bought. A motion to that effect and that names be forwarded to the Oregonian for the distribution of the papers was carried. In the matter of distribution, Mr. Broschke said that the best way would be to send them, in bundles of several copies to the second-class hotels throughout the country.

A bill for expenses incurred in the entertainment of Messrs Kimball, McClellan, and Roberts, to the amount of \$6.95 was ordered paid.

Lloyd T. King, representative of the Orchard and Farm, a paper published in San Francisco, presented to the Chamber a proposition to give this county a page write-up in that journal, on condition that a 1/2 page ad be paid for at the rate of \$10 per month for at least three months. The proposition, while it made a favorable impression, was laid over till the next meeting.

### ELECTORAL TICKETS FILED

#### Republican, Democratic, Prohibitionist and Socialist

The Presidential electoral tickets of four political parties have been filed in the office of Secretary of State Dunbar. The parties represented are the Republican, Democratic, Prohibitionist and Socialist, and it is understood that the Populists will also file petitions nominating an electoral ticket.

John H. Smith, one of the nominees on the Democratic ticket, resigned and his place was filled by the appointment of W. S. Hamilton by the State Central Committee. The electoral tickets filed are as follows:

- Republican—G B Dinick, James A. Fee, J N Hart, A C Hough.
- Democratic—Thomas H Crawford, John A Jeffrey, W B Dillard, W S Hamilton.
- Prohibition—Leslie Butler, I H Amos, W P Elmore, T S McDaniel.
- Socialist—S H Holt, William Beard, W Barge, J O Herrington.

Chowder. "What was old Thronson grumbling about—his health or nani?" "Yes, he complained that he was feeling somewhat better."—Lita.

A Fervent Case. When Freddie awoke out of night he always like the spym. I don't see why he can't get full without looking that.

(Special Correspondent) Portland, Or., Sep

#### The Oregon Development

which counts as members thirty-three active commercial bodies, has already become the most thoroughly representative organization of its character in the United States. The next session of the Oregon Development League will be held at Grants Pass, Friday, September 29, and a large number of delegates from other cities and towns will be present. Among the speakers will be Hon. E. L. Smith, of Hood River, president of the organization, and Vice President F. J. Blakeley, of Roseburg. Others who will go from Portland are B. H. Beekman; H. M. Calk, president of the Portland Commercial Club; W. E. Coman, general passenger and ticket agent of the Southern Pacific, and Tom Richardson, secretary of the League.

Articles written for competition and appearing in papers printed outside of Oregon as a result of the prizes offered by the Portland Commercial Club, are acceptable in all papers published by Oct. 1. No action will be taken by the judges until October 15. In the language of the street, "There is a chance to pick up some easy money", in these contests, as the composition is not anything like as great as the people expected, and there is ample time if you write at once.

Great interest centers in the session of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress to be held in St. Louis, October 25 to 29, inclusive. There is a movement on foot to bring both these great organizations to Portland in 1907; and the mayors of cities and towns in Oregon, as well as the presidents of commercial and industrial bodies of all kinds, are urged to name delegates at once and report same to Mr. Tom Richardson, chairman of the executive committee of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress, Portland.

Citizens of Oregon who expect to be in St. Louis the last week in October will confer a favor on the state officers of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress by reporting same, as it is desired that Oregon have as large a delegation as possible.

The North Yakima (Washington) Fair has named September 29 as Portland day, and the Walla Walla (Washington) Fair has selected October 13 as Portland day.

The young ladies of Portland, at a meeting held in the rooms of the Portland Commercial Club Saturday, decided upon numerous plans through which they hope to help the Exposition management in making the Lewis and Clark coin popular.

### Logging on the Sound

(Lumberman)

The loggers on Puget Sound have been opening up their camps since Sept. 1st. At that date the members of the association were permitted to renew logging after several weeks of idleness. It was estimated that on September 1st there were about ninety million feet of logs in Puget Sound. Well posted loggers realize that with all the camps in operation, over-production is bound to follow, consequently it is anticipated that another slump down will be ordered inside of three months. The next few weeks should be good ones for logging and the input will doubtless be heavy.

With some people the summer the more the better the best.

A. J. French and wife will leave for their home in Ione, Oregon, tomorrow, going by way of the Coos Bay wagon road.

The steamer Alert brought down a considerable amount of freight for Marshfield this morning but none for North Bend.

The steamer Flyer leaves Dean's dock at 7:30 for North Bend for the convenience of those who wish to see "The Substitute."

C. F. Allen, of San Francisco, in company with A. H. Outhbert of the same city, arrived on the Alliance today.

A. E. Davis, general passenger agent of J. D. Spreckles & Bros. Co., who is on the bay at present, took a day's outing on Coos river with Mr. and Mrs. Squires.

Mr. and Mrs. Blake, late of Spokane, are in town, and are looking for a house, with the intention of making this their future home. Mr. Blake is an attorney and one of the kind of citizens we are looking for.

Lloyd T. King, who has been in the county in the interests of the endowment rank of the Knights of Pythias, returns to Portland on the Alliance tomorrow. He organized branches in Marshfield and North Bend. Mr. King is accompanied on the trip by his wife.

The steamer Toledo arrived shortly after lunch with 20 tons of feed for Dow from Yaquina bay. The captain reports that he placed 20 tons of our coal there on his last trip and that the people are well pleased with it. It is to be hoped that he may find ready sale for all he can take out.

A Japanese came to this country and asked the manager of a saw mill if he could go into the mill and make some notes. He was given permission to do so. Later on the superintendent saw him running up and down by the carriage and inquired what he was doing that for. He said he was trying to get the speed of the carriage to report how fast the carriages were run. His notes were copious and show the painstaking spirit of the Orientals.

The death of that famous redwood tree "The Grizzly Giant" is proof of the mortality of this timber. This is the tree in the Mariposa grove that has for many years attracted so much attention. In a short time it will be entirely devoid of foliage. It is gradually falling, being now 18 feet from the perpendicular and is liable to tumble at any time. It is 244 feet high and 109 feet in circumference. Its age can only be told after it falls, but it has been standing for several thousand years, and no doubt could have furnished Adam a change of clothes.

### P. B. Cornwall Dying

A San Francisco dispatch says: P. B. Cornwall is lying ill at his residence in this city and there is little hope of his recovery. Mr. Cornwall is 64 years of age and his health has been failing for several months.

P. B. Cornwall is one of the oldest and most prominent pioneers in the West. His wealth is estimated at nearly \$2,000,000, and he has taken a leading part in the financial and political history of Pacific Coast. Mr. Cornwall's business interests are large, part of which is the Bellingham Bay Railroad, in Washington. For many years he was president of the Bellingham Bay Improvement Company, and he retains his interest in the Black Diamond Coal mines.

vanhoff and Mr. D. in our midst. Fred Gage and Alex Sawyer went to the valley the first of last week. Newell Price was seen on Allegany streets the latter part of this week. Mrs. Letta Cowan arrived at Allegany Saturday evening and opened school Monday. Fred Gage and Alex Sawyer have returned from the valley with a smile on their faces.

A good many people from the upper river attended the wedding Saturday night in Marshfield. Mrs. Sweet, who was Mrs. Stemmerman's most efficient cook, went to Marshfield Saturday. Mrs. Anderson is at present filling the position of cook for the camp.

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### Coming on Breakwater

San Francisco, Sept. 31.—The following passengers sailed for Coos Bay on the steamer Breakwater today: John Ellerly and wife, Miss Sadie Reinhold, Miss Annie Sneed, Eugene O'Connell, wife and daughter, W H Boyle, H C Holcomb, F W Oakes, F S Dow, Cap A M Simpson, Mrs Wm James, H D Hutt, H L Judel, F S Lawrence, H E Bessey, W C Guerie.

Timber Land, Act June 3, 1878.—Notice for Publication. United States Land Office, Roseburg, Ore., Sept. 2, 1904

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provision of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An Act for the sale of Timber Lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892

JACOB W. ROGERS of Roseburg, county of Douglas, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 4396, for the purchase of the E 1/2 SE 1/4, NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of section No. 20, Township 36 South of Range 19 West and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber and stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Roseburg, Oregon, on Saturday the 19 day of November 1904.

He names as witnesses: John Gotter, Benjamin Gotter, W. L. Cobb and J. W. Porterfield, all of Roseburg, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 19 day of November, 1904. J. T. BRIDGES Register.

### PRIZES FOR GARDENING

A Memphis Club's Scheme For Town Improvement.

When the Housekeepers' club of Memphis took up the question of inducing Memphians to pay some attention to the beautifying of their lawns and front yards, they ascertained that the best results could be obtained by offering cash prizes to the children of the members who were skillful enough to cultivate the prettiest flower beds and window gardens.

Possibly, however, it is in the city of Cleveland that the possibilities of youthful enthusiasm in this direction have received their most remarkable exemplification. Generous cash prizes, the highest being \$50, have been offered for the best amateur flower gardens and the best amateur porch or window boxes, and in order to make the beneficial effects as widespread as possible the Home Gardening association, an organization of public spirited citizens, distributed, principally through the teachers of the public schools, thousands of packages of seeds.

The result was little short of astounding. Pretty little gardens made their appearance in the slums, and so strong a hold has the love of flowers taken on the minds of the children that it is now safe to leave the costliest flowers unprotected in open yards, a condition undreamed of a few years ago.

Do not turn the hose on the streets and foliage of sweet peas. Water at the roots only when necessary and then soak the ground thoroughly. Pour it into the trench near the roots rather than on the stems.

President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers of America, it is understood, will deliver a series of ten addresses this fall to the miners throughout the anthracite region. Colonel Myron T. Herrick, Republican candidate for governor of Ohio, has given a library to his native town of Wellington, O., in memory of his parents, Timothy B. and Mary H. Herrick. Dr. John L. Doggett of Honolulu, Va., was seized with nightmare some nights ago. His wife caught him and tried to control him. He threw up both hands, struck the bedstead and broke both arms.

Mr. Cleveland has written friends in St. Paul, Minn., accepting conditionally an invitation to visit Minnesota on a hunting expedition in October. The former president stated that he will go if he can so arrange his affairs.

All England is wondering if George Wyndham will accept a baronetcy, as it seems certain that such an honor will be offered him. Mr. Wyndham descends from two lines of earls, and a title would not therefore be a novelty in his family.

Djeilat Bay, who has been appointed Turkish minister of marine to succeed the late Hassan Pasha, is described as "a member of the palace 'yans,' completely ignorant of naval matters and held in no consideration either in official or diplomatic circles in Constantinople."

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### Mosquitoes and Sounds

A doctor, writing from Port of Spain, Trinidad, to a medical journal, tells of his experiments with mosquitoes. He says that one of his children, completely ignorant of naval matters and held in no consideration either in official or diplomatic circles in Constantinople. Great White Bear, the great-grandson of Tall Tree, written chief of the Crow Indians, will blow a bugle for Uncle Sam in the navy. Tired of the tame life which he endured for five years in the Carlisle Indian school, he has enlisted on the recruiting ship USS Annapolis as a musician.

### He Knew Himself

A friend once took a reformed gambler to a religious meeting. The preacher devoted a large part of his discourse to remarks reflecting upon the past life of the gambler. The man who had escorted the gambler to the meeting thought it incumbent on him to apologize for introducing him into a place where he would bear himself abused. "I didn't know that was the way this preacher was going to talk," he said, "or I wouldn't have asked you to come." "Oh, don't worry about that," was the reply. "There never was a sermon worth a cross that didn't hit me somewhere."

### ALL TOOK A HAND.

How an Indiana Town Was Cleaned by Its Citizens.

A town in Indiana was cleaned recently at very little expense and in rather a novel manner and now looks as if an army of "white wings" had gone over it. The members of the village improvement society decided that the town needed a general cleaning up, and notice to that effect was published in the local newspaper. The society asked every one to aid it, particularly the school children, and announced that after the work was over ice-cream and cake would be served.

The day set for the cleaning was on Saturday, and the work was begun in the morning and kept up until late in the evening. Men, women and children, armed with rakes, hoes and heavy brooms, took hold with a will, and paper, leaves, sticks and other matter were taken into heaps and carted away. Some positive nuisances were cleaned up which soon would have required the attention of the local health officer.

The town's enterprising improvement association has been in existence only two years, but during that time it has accomplished a great deal. Through its efforts two new schoolhouses have been built, a new library secured, many shade trees planted and the main street improved 100 per cent. Its one aim and object is to make the town a better place to live in.