MARRIED YET DENIED IT

Queer Will of a Portland Man Who Died In Arizona.

Was J. W. Nickum, a former Portlander, who died at Phoenix, Arizona, + April 3 last, same when he made his last will the day previous to his +

He was married, and yet he denied that he had a lawful wife. A most singular provision was inserted in the will. After reciting several bequests, he said; "After my death, should any

woman prove herself to be my lawful wife, I direct my executors to pay + her the sum of \$5."

Mrs. Nickum was in this state when her husband died in Arizona. She + did not know of the will until after his death. When she was informed that + the instrument was about to be filed for probate in Maricopa County, + Arizona, she started post haste for that place, prepared to make a legal + fight for her share of her husband's estate, which is valued at about \$4000. + She took sick on the way and had to stop over. In the meantime the + will was duly probated. The wife has recovered and returned to Port-

The testator appointed a man, whom he called a "friend," of Arizona as one administrator, and gave him one-half of his property, the other half, + except the wife contingency, going to the two children, Walter and Myrtle, + minors, of Cedar Mills, Or.

W. G. Beck of Portland was named as the administrator for this state. + Today Mr. Beck filed a petition with the County Court asking that the will + be admitted to probate, and that he be appointed the legal administrator. + Prowell, the "friend" of the deceased, has signed a release of his ben-

eficiary rights in favor of the children, or the wife, as the case may be. Mrs. Nickum now only has to prove that she is the real wife of J. W. + Nickum. Mr. Beck said today that this she could easily do; that Nickum + and his wife borrowed money from him on one occasion, and that they, + both signed the note; that at another time when issuing a power of atterney, the deceased introduced the woman as his wife.

It is believed that the man was temporarily unbalanced when making + *+*******

BOTH SIDES OF THE PLUMBER SITUATION

assisting the latter organization to form the change has taken place. There is now way in the plumbing line.

thoughts ever occupied the attention of ance that they will be completed." the gray matter reposing in their craniums. One of them expresses himself in side of the case have this to say: this wise on the subject:

is doing business. The independent masthat house and in order to protect the Coast have signed an agreement similar countenances such a course."

Union plumbers are very indignant be- to ours, and so it will be seen that we are cause it has been stated that they have not alone in the proposition. We are betunited forces with the Master Plumbers' ter out of the Building Trades Council Association with the object in view of than in, and all of us are pleased that no danger of a strike, as our agreement a trust, and thus put its members in a is good for a year. It is the best move position to have everything their own we ever made. We are now all right. Master plumbers know now just how to They assert that no such wicked figure on jobs, and they have an assur-

Those who are interested in the other

"The Crane Company is only declared "The object of the organization, or so- unfair by the Master Plumbers' Associacalled trust, is to get all the master tion. The company employs union men plumbers in the city to join the associa- and pays union wages. It is unfair with tion for mutual protection. The Crane the association in the same manner that Company, which has branch houses in the Smith union planing mill is unfair all the important cities throughout the with the mills against which the Amalga-United States, is a scab concern and has mated Woodworkers went on a strike. been declared unfair every place the firm The reason they call the Crane Company unfair is because it sells goods to master ter plumbers here are using goods from plumbers who do not belong to the association. They wish to control the firm 40 or 50 other master plumbers getting and cannot do so, and there is where the their material from fair firms, we are shoe pinches. When the union plumbers using our influence to get them to join the signed their infamous agreement they did sociation. These goods are unfair and so under strong protest from their interwe will not use them. Neither do we national organization. They have formed want other master plumbers to use them. a pool with their employers, and no in-The plumbers in all the cities of the ternational labor union in the world

TroubleSpreading Into the Country Districts.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) PARIS, July 23 .- Serious rioting occurred this afternoon before the house of uty Conti started an oration but the police prevented him from proceeding. A brass knuckles, attacked the police, shouting "Long live the sisters." The police repulsed the crowd. A number were injured and numerous arrests were made.

The French Rentes, for the first time on record, fell as a result of the street manifestation. The trouble is extending into the country districts.

SLICK THIEF

Robs Gullible Chinese by a Plausible Plea.

A dapper young man representing himself as "the agent of the landlord," has robbed Chinese wash-houses of this city out of over \$200 within the past 10 days.

After gaining admittance to the house he passes through the rooms, ostensibly for the purpose of making observations of needed repairs. If an opportunity offers, he goes through the Chinamen's clothing and steals what money he may find-that is, providing no one else is present. If the proprietor follows him about the rooms he goes away and returns again and makes further investi-

Wing Chong, 246 Salmon street, was vis-Ited by the "landlord's agent" last Monday, and is out \$8 as a result of admitting the stranger. Ho Song, who runs a wash-house at 272

Taylor street, got off with a loss of 50

Another wash-house proprietor of the efty is said to have lost over \$200. The police have been advised of the facts since Monday, but have kept the matter a secret with the hope of running fown the thief. A Chinaman domiciled on Second street, near Burnside, claims to know who the young man is, but he says it is a hard matter to catch him. He says he is a harber, and that he fre-quents the Chinese gambling joints.

'ROUND TOWN.

After a spasmodic effort of a few hours, work has again been stopped on the barrows still adds to the scenic beauty of the plaza blocks.

Applications for positions in the street cleaning departments are pouring in on the Mayor, who, having no authority to make any such appointments promptly refers all the applicants to the board of public works.

Visitors to the rooms of the Oregon Historical Society in the City Hall are daily growing more numerous. During this summer every state in the Union and nearly every locality on the Pacific Coast has been represented. Numbers of the small attractive pamphlets advertising the advantages of different Oregon localities are being distributed and Secthe Sisters of St. Vincent de Paul. Dep- retary Himes is confident they will do much good work for the state.

T. Robertino, the victim of the dynacrowd of 600, many of them armed with mite explosion on the Columbia & Northern Railway, near Lyle, is still hovering between life and death at St. Vincent's hospital. There is little hope entertained for his recovery.

Frank Faulkner, a newsboy, was taken to the Good Samaritan hospital last evening, having severely cut his hand with an ax. His thumb was nearly severed from the hand, and from the first there has been little hope of saving the member; however, it has not been removed

Will the Portland General Electric Company agree to extend the street lighting contract with the city for another year? That is a question which is agitating

the minds of many of the City Councilmen and the members of the Board of Public Works. The opinion of some is that the company will refuse to do so. realizing that the more open the competition for the city lighting the smaller are their chances of securing the contract. On the other hand, a prominent official says: "I believe the Portland General Electric Company will be willing to meet the city's wishes in this matter. There is no -reason why the same company should not again get the street lighting contract. They have a plant now in operation and should be able to compete in price with newcomers who would have first to build a plant before fulfilling their contract. I believe that the present company will realize that it is better to keen the good will of the city in this matter than to act as obstructionists. And I am confident that they will accede to

> Now is the Time

the city's request."

LATEST EDITION **POSTMASTERS**

Postmaster Croasman is in receipt of of Postmasters, to be held at Milwaukee, Wis., August 26, 28 and 29. He de- large proportions, sires very much to attend, and it is possible that he may be able to so arrange his affairs that he may be able to do so. The one last year was held at Peoria, Ill., the first was held at Detroit and the second at Washington, D. C. The latter Mr. Croasman attended, accompanied by his wife.

"At these conventions," volunteered Mr. | travel, Croasman, "in which all first-class postgestions are adopted for the bettermen of the service which are presented to the Postoffice Department. Since these come directly from those who are in touch with the great public, they are of practicable value, and many of the improvements and innovations on the old methods are due to these very suggestions, because the department is not slow to see that the postmasters know what they are talking about.

The coming gathering promises to be the most interesting meeting in the hisof Postmaster-General Payne and other ual occurrence on North Beach. officials of the Postoffice Department has been practically assured. Elaborate preparations have been made by the local guests a good time.

by the President, Hon. F. B. Dickerson, royal entertainers. postmaster of Detroit. Mayor Rose, of welcome. Postmaster-General Payne and wife will give an informal reception in waukee, to the visiting postmasters and the ladies accompanying them.

a picnic and a view of the yacht races givn by the interstate regatta on Pewaukee Lake will make up the entertainment for the second day, with a "go it as you please" in the evening. The next day a trip to White Fish Bay will be given in the afternoon, and in the evening a promenade concert will be tendered by the press of Milwaukee. On the final day a steamboat ride will be given by the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association and Citizens' Business League to the visiting postmasters. A special program will be provided for the entertainment of the visiting ladies.

NATIONAL CONVENTION OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION Beach this week.

The annual national convention of the United Presbyterian Church, which meets at Tacoma, will be largely attended. Quite a party of delegates passed through Portland yesterday on their way to the City of Destiny. Among these were: Rev. W. W. Logan, of Los Angeles, formerly pastor of the First Uni- to the beach this week. ted Presbyterian Church, this city; Rev. H. H. Bell, D.D., of San Francisco; Rev. Beach. J. A. Speer and son, of Shedd, Or.; Rev. Joseph McKittrick, of San Jose, Cal.; a visitor to the beach this week. Rev. Mr. Henderson, of Halsey, Or.; Dr. J. T. Flemming, M.D., and wife, of San at Long Beach Saturday. Fourth street paving and a line of empty Jose, Cal.; a party from Bloomington, Ind., and others from various parts of Oregon and California, and a party from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. Here the party was joined by a portion of the delegation of First United Presbyterian Church, of Portland, including the pastor, Rev. Huber Ferguson and wife.

A reception has been planned by the younger members of the denomination resident in Portland on the return of the delegates via Portland. An excursion up the Columbia will be given them Tuesday on Wednesday next.

Oregon Goes to China.

(Journal Special Service.) SEATTLE, July 28 .- The officials at the Puget Sound navy yard are in receipt of information from the Navy Department at Washington, D. C., that the battleship Oregon, now at the navy yard, is to be ordered to the China station and will sail as soon as she can make ready for the trip. With the Oregon gone, this leaves but one ship, the Wisconsin, on the Pacific Coast station, as the Philadelphia is out of commission at the Mare Island yard. It is likely that some attempt will be made to have more ships assigned to Puget Sound, the principal naval station on the Coast.

PRETTIEST WOMAN DEAD.

(Journal Special Service.) PHILADELPHIA, Pa., July 23.-Mrs. Charles Godfrey Leland, news of whose death in Florence, Italy, reached here yesterday, was born in this city on January 15, 1831, and had lived here for many years. She was the woham whom Thackeray pronounced "the prettlest woman in America." Her husband was the author of the "Hans Brietmann Ballads,"

DEATHS.

Lee Chin Man, 48, 2731/2 Pine, July 20,

Alma E. Frost, 9, Good Samaritan, July 22. endocarditis.

Mrs. Dora Unrath, 58, 1075 Mable, July 20, cancer. Raffaele Dippolto, 30, Lyle, Wash., July 20. explosion.

Francisco Oliverio, 36, Lyle, Wash., July 20, explosion. Jon Catiin, 70, 221 Tenth, July 19, ruph-

Wallace, International hotel, July 15, heart disease. Johan Rosin, 74, 798 Missouri, July 21, senile debility.

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DOWN BY THE SEA

LONG BEACH, July 22 .- At present the all-absorbing question with many visitors at the beach seems to be clams-the proper time to go clamming, when the tide is right, how far to go, what to use for "balt," etc. The summer crowd has an invitation to attend the Fifth Annual descended upon the humble abode of that Convention of the National Association festive bibalve "like a wolf on the fold." and the local clam industry has assumed

Clams are more plentiful here this week than they have been for some time. For some reason they were rather scarce for awhile, but the supply is increasing.

A portion of the wagon road between Ilwaco and Sea View is being replanked by the Road Supervisor and a party of men, and will soon be in condition for

The Potter brought about 225 people offices are entitled to representation, sug- Saturday and 200 Tuesday, and the beach resorts continue to fill up.

A dance is held every Saturday night in Long Beach hall, and the social events become more numerous as the season advances. Tally-ho parties and bonfires are always in order, and the time is never found dragging on one's hands.

There were two excursion parties to the lighthouses last week-one from the "Breakers" and the other from the Newton.

A 100-pound Chinook salmon was thrown up on the rocks near Halman tory of the association. The attendance Station Monday. This is a rather unus-

A pleasant informal gathering of young people took place at the Hackney Cottage, Sea View, last Thursday evening. A short committees in charge at Milwaukee for program, consisting of readings and solos the entertainment of those who will at- etc., was rendered, after which a delictend, and they promise to give their lous luncheon was served. A deligntful time was spent by all., and each depart-The convention will be called to order ing guest voted Mr. and Mrs. Hackney

Among the attractive features of the Milwaukee, will deliver the address of program were soles by Prof. Epping. Judge Bloomfield and E. S. Snelling, duets by Mrs. Schacht and Miss Botuhr and by the arcade of the Hotel Bfister, at Mil- the Misses Lessie. Mayne Stuart sang some of his catchy coon songs. The quarrel scene from Julus Caesar was A trolley ride to Waukesha Beach, with ably recited by Mr. Henry Coffey.

Dr. Edmond Plamke and wife, of Ilwaco, spent Sunday at the Portland. Geo. Kronenberg, of Portland, is spending a couple of weeks at Long Beach. John J. Wood and Ed. L. Kaneny, of Linwood, Neb., were visitors to Long Beach on Sunday.

Fathers D. P. Curley, of Portland, and F. Dominie, of Mt. Angel, were at the beach this week

Alfred Anderson, of Portland, is at Long Beach. Met Brownson, of Portland, is a visitor to the beach this week.

James E. Miller, of Fort Canby, was at Long Beach Sunday. Herbert G. Stiner, of South Bend, ac-

companied by his two sisters, are at Long J. H. Sprague, of Senttle, is registered at the Portland.

Mrs. H. C. Albie, of Portland, accom-Young People's Christian Union of the panied by her two children, is at Long Beach.

Mrs. M. E. Roberts, of Portland, is sojourning at Long Beach. H. B. Parker, of Astoria, is registered at Tinker's this week

H. H. Snow, of Salem, was a visitor A. C. Cooly, of Salem, is at Long

Miss Ruby Jackson, of Portland, was Miss Maud Hingley, of Portland, was

registered at Tinker's. Miss Hazel Young, of Portland, is at the beach

W. H. Burke, of Chicago, registered at Tinker's on Saturday. C. B. Fowler, of Portland, was at Long

Beach last week. L. N. Conklin, of Milwaukee, Wis., was at Long Beach Sunday.

C. H. Lind, of Portland, is at Long Beach. Samuel Connell was at his Ocean Park

cottage last week, returning home Sun-A. N. King Wilson was at the beach this

W. E. Mabin of Portland, is registered at Tinker's. Fred Zimmerman, of Portland, is at Long Beach.

Al. Good, of Portland, is at the beach. John Dolan, of Belfast, Me., registered at Tinker's on Saturday.

Frank Taylor, of Portland, was at the each Sunday. Miss Ida Stillwell, of Portland, is so-

ourning at Long Beach. Misses Ida and Belle Jennings, of Portland, are spending a few days at the

GAMBLING RESORT BURNED

(Journal Special Service.)

WASHINGTON, July 23 .- Every gambling house in Jackson City, a small settlement situated at the Virginia end of the long bridge, opposite Washington, was wiped out by fire last night. Jackson City, although a diminutive community, has been famed for many years in this locality as a place where policy is played and where cheap whisky is sold. Last night's fire started in a policy shop.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Grove Nugget. George H. Durham to I. D. Peters, lot 17, block 21, Woodlawn J. H. Marlay Company to same, lot 11, block 13, same.

P. H. Marlay to George H. Durham, lot 17, block 21, same.

F. C. Brasel to Max Loeb and E. H. Cahalin, lot 3, block 46, Portland City Homestead

James Humphrey, trustee, to same, lots 2 ad 4, block 79; lot 3, block 90, same lots 3 ad 4, block 79; lot 3, block 90, same
William J. Hill and wife to Emily
Eccles, lots 3 and 4, block 1, Oak
Knoll Annex Addition.
O. J. B. Lane and wife to J. C. Gibson and wife, east half lot 10, west
half lot 11, block 1, Sunnyside.
Lulu E. Donner to Mabel Grenfell,
lot 10, block 19, Highland.
Emerson Follett to Samuel Swanson,
lot 7, block 18, Lincoln Park.

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GROCERS' PICNIC

Will be Largely Attended and a Splendid Time Assured.

Many of the grocery stores were closed early this morning and their proprietors and clerks went to Canemah Park to attend the Retail Grocers' picnic being held there today. This evening they will be joined by the entire force from each of the big Portland wholesale houses. Many other visitors are attending the picnic, and the boats and cars leaving

for there today have been crowded. D. C. Burns, the popular grocer, who is one of the principal promoters of the affairfair, estimates that in the neighborhoo of 3000 people will be in attendance from this city alone,

All kinds of field sports have been arranged for the occasion, among which will be baseball games and tug-of-war contests. Dancing will be on the tapis all day as well as tonight. There will be many visitors from all over the state, and a splendid time is assured.

CLOSE CALL

PALTIMORE, July 23.-With but a moment's warning five huge rafters weigh? ing approximately 2000 pounds fell from a new building adjoining upon the roof of the J. Turnbull Company's upholstering establishment in Baltimore street, and came near crushing out the lives of a number of employes who were on the top floor at the time. Had not an iron bolt which fell on the roof but a few seconds before frightened the employes from the rear room, a number of them undoubtedly would have been killed.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

James Donnelly, of Baker City, is spending today in Portland, a guest at the Perkins. Mr. Donnelly is cashier of the Baker City National Bank

Otis Patterson, register of the United States land office at The Dalles is in the city today, a guest at the Imperial.

W. H. Odell, of Salem, ex-clerk of the state school land board, is spending the day in this city.

Mayor W. N. Barrett, accompanied by his wife, were in the city today There was an important meeting this afternoon of the central branch of the

W. C. T. U. at the Y. M. C. A. building. N. Merrill, ex-member of the Legislature, was in the city today, coming up from Clatskanie on the late train last

Wm. C. A. Pohl, Clatsop County's Coroner, arrived in the city today from Astoria. Mr. Pohl has served continuously in the same official capacity for Classop County for the past 10 years.

RIVER AND OCEAN.

Captain Balley in charge.

ing a few hours of city life. Captain Pope, formerly Lloyd's sur-

veyor, is in the city from Hubbard, where he owns a fine stock ranch. He was extending the glad hand to his numerous friends here, among whom was Captain Hobin, a salt-sea companion.

The schoner Abbey was towed down the river this morning to one of the sawmill camps where she will load a lumber

The Indrasahma began loading her outward cargo this morning. She is taking on cotton and lumber and is due to go out on the 23th.

The Sierra Estrella, which arrived in Saturday, is discharging her cargo of general merchandise at the Mersey dock.

The Columbia will arrive tomorrow night from San Francisco with 1585 tons of general cargo. This is the largest amount of freight brought by the Columbia during the season. Her passenger list is also good.

The British bark Wynford began receiving a cargo of wheat yesterday at Montgomery dock No. 2. She will be loaded next week and goes to South Africa.

The big shaft at the Bonanza mine has seen completed to the 400 level below the work tunnel, or 700 from the surface. By means of the new holst, which is operating perfectly now, sinking continues from the 400 down.

S. E. Russell, of the Hiawatha Mining & Milling Company, under date of July 14, reports a richer strike being made in the Hiawatha than anything yet discovered on that property. While driving in the new drift, commenced last month, he reports that last Monday about 700 feet from the mouth of the tunnel of breaking into a large streak of ore as rich as anything yet discovered in Bohemia, the ore panning coarse and fine gold without mortering.-Cottage

OIL WELL LITERATURE.

"Some years ago," said the narrator, 'an oil boom hit Litchfield, Ill., and everybody for miles around was seen sniffing for oil and every stranger suspected of being an expert looking for a good thing. An old farmer named Loomis had a big place three miles out of town, which would have been a fortune for him had he not been possessed of a mania for swapping, manifest in a perennial attempt to trade off his land for twice its

"When the boom was at the top notch Loomis received a visitor who took so much interest in the farm, so liked the appearance, location, etc., that the old farmer scented a petroleum man and saw visions of inclaculable wealth. Being a shrewd man, Loomis did not care to take any unnecessary chances with Providence and on the quiet he sent the hired man out the back way with orders to dump

ACROSS THE RIVER

Young People's Alliance Meet.

The 12th annual meeting of the Young People's Alliance of the Evangelical Association of Oregon opened yesterday at the camp grounds at Milwaukie Heights. A large number of members were in atendance and an excellent program was rendered. The following is the program of today;

Morning-Sunrise prayer meeting; 9 a. m. devotional, W. E. Simpson; 9:30, business; 10:30, normal drill, N. Shupp; 11, 'Influence of the Bible on the Intellect," T. Harder; 11:30, "Our Responsibility to Church and State," B. Heinrich.

Afternoon-2 p. m., devotional, Sadie Miller; 2:30, annual address by the president; 3, normal drill, N. Shupp; 3:30, "Looking Upward," O. O. Epley; 4. "Portland as a Mission Field for Y. P. A. Workers," G. W. Plumer; 4:30, "Birds of Passage Pass This Way but Once," Arthur Frewing; 5, "Room at the Top," Mrs. Dr. Hatfield.

Stahl Funeral Tomorrow.

The funeral of Charles Stahl, who was drowned at Seaside last Sunday, will be held tomorrow from his late residence, 429 Eugene street. The funeral will be conducted under the auspices of Multnomah Camp, No. 77, Woodmen of the quet. World, of which the deceased was an eral years with the American army in the l'hilippines as a hospital nurse. The young man's father was in Southern Oregon when he received the news and at once returned to this city. His mother also arrived today.

Women of Woodcraft Dance.

Mt. Hood Circle, Women of the Woodcraft, gave a well-attended entertainment and dance last evening at the new hall of Multnomah Camp, East Sixth and East Alder streets. After the entertainment a basket sale was held, after which the party repaired to the large banquet hall and enjoyed themselves. After lunch the entire party attended the dance, which ended at midnight.

Ready to Lay Keel.

Joseph Supple is preparing his ship yard at the east end of the Morrison ment tender to be used in the Fort Stevens supply business. A large shed has just been erected as a covering for the Supple has the entire contract for the where he was employed for several years building of the vessel, but has sublet at the stables of James Lyons.

the kerosene can into the well. The visitor liked the entire place, inspected the barn, the chicken yard, and then, as if by chance, asked for a drink of water. hauled up a brimming bucket before the man's own eyes and poured him out a

gourdful of liquid with a fine, opalescent scum upon it. The visitor smelled it, tasted it, made a wry face and asked if the water was always like that. "Oh, yes," said Loomis, "but you soon get ac-The French bark Asie left down this customed to the taste, and our doctors morning in tow of the Thompson, with say that is the finest water on earth for farm, not an oil well, and if I have got

> from Litchfield, I guess I'd rather buy "It took Loomis six months, to get the taste of oil out of his well, and by that time the boom was over, and nothing was seen of the oil craze but rotting derricks and abandoned shafts.

RICH MAN'S POOR WIFE.

Has Everything That Money Will Buy, But No Ready Money.

The man of wealth marries a woman who is beautiful and gracious, one who will bear his name proudly. Her home is handsomely appointed. She fits into her environment as a statue in its niche. At her command are servants, horses and carriages-or automobiles, in this mechanical generation. She is privileged to trade upon credit and dress for her position in life. But too often her pocketbook contains less than the woman in moderate circumstances, whose husband has a salary and gives his wife a stated sum to live upon. The rich wife, if asked by members of her club for a donation, must consult her husband first. She has no ready money, and frequently is obliged to ask him for paltry amounts. She is humiliated and becomes embittered; her dignity is lowered. Sometimes she employes deceit with which to obtain resources from him. And her thought of her husband's parsimony soon kills all her tenderness .- Susan B. Anthony in the

BARBED 'PHONE WIRES.

Independent.

Montana Ranchman Making a General Use of the Fences. "They are inaugurating a telephone exchange in Fort Benton," said a

Northern Montana man recently, "that

will put the embryo telephone compan-

les entirely in the shade. "There is nothing slow about people at the head of the Missouri River navigation, and when it comes to mu nicipal questions and their solution, they can give Henry George, Ignatius Donnelly, Edward Bellamy and Mrs. Chapman Catt cards and spades and little ca-

sino and win out. "Fort Benton's latest effort is a parbed wire telephone communication. Being by instinct and association cow people, they resented the genesis of the barbed wire, and when it was discovered that it was one of the evils that came with the railroad and threw the cowpuncher, the bull train and the river steamer out of the game they decided to take a material view of the situation, and the result is that they are preparing to have a telephone exchange which will take in every ranch from the Missouri River north to the Canadian line and south to the Highwood

the contract for the building of the machinery to the Columbia Engineering Works. The new boat will be 85 feet long and 18 feet beam. The cost will be about \$23,000.

To Build Sanitarium.

A company has been formed for the purpose of building a large sanitarium on West avenue, Mt. Tabor. The institution, although formed of local capital, will be under the supervision of Dr. Kellog, of the famous sanitarium at Battle Creek, Mich. Excavations for the structure has already been started. The institution, when completed, will cost about \$30,000.

St. Johns.

St. Johns Camp, Modern Woodmen of America, was organized at Woodmen's hall last evening with 20 charter members. The new camp has good prospects

building has been finished. Numerous other improvements will be made to the The following letters remain unclaimed

The repainting of the St. Johns school

ahead of it.

at the St, Johns postoffice: Merrill Crocker, J. A. Engstrom. Miss Nellie Chipman is entertaining nightly a number of her friends at cro-

Since the fire last week work has been honored member. Mr. Stahl served sev- stopped at the St. Johns match factory. Manager Poff says that the company will buy another building and move it to the site of the old structure. Work in the factory will be resumed as soon as the building is put in place.

L. Eager, of Seattle, is a visitor at the residence of A. Lee, the St. Johns gro-

Mrs. S. S. Beck is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. L. Miner, on

the Boulevard. The framework is completed for the residence of Mrs. P. T. Smith.

EAST SIDE BRIEFS. Mrs. Alice Gardner left this morning for a four-weeks' visit with her parents at Turner.

J. E. Hunt, a prominent stove manufacturer of the East Side, left today for

a business trip on the Sound. The funeral of James Mulvaney, who died at a West Side hospital from the effects of drinking ice water while overheated, was held yesterday. The body new craft, and work will be started on was interred in Lone Fir cometery. Multhe laying of the keel Monday. Mr. vaney was well known on the East Side

AFGHANISTAN

"Loomis was waiting for that and The New Amir's Political Reforms and Army Reorganization.

The Amir of Afghanistan has just decided on a political departure which appears intended to be the first step in the formation of an organized government the stomach." "Well, I am ding danged in that country. A Council of State, com-Captains Gunderson and Cann, bar if I'll ever get used to it," was the un- posed of leading members of the various pilots, are up from Astoria today enjoy- expected response. "I am looking for a Afghan tribes, is to be appointed at Kabul. At the same time an influentia to haul my drinking water three miles person, acquainted with native and Mohammedan law, will be associated with each of the provincial Governors to assist in the disposal of all tribal cases, civil and criminal. The more important matters will be submitted to the Council at Kabul, which, after examination, will submit its recommendations to the Amir, and transmit the final decision in each case to the tribe concerned. The Council will meet each week under the prestdency of the Amir.

Besides introducing this new political measure, the Amir is giving much attention to the reform and reorganization of his army. The pay of the men on service has been raised, and the strength of the regular forces increased. Two points on the Eastern frontier covering roads leading into Afghanistan from India have been fortified and permanent garrisons

Selling the Wind.

installed.

It seems incredible, but is nevertheless a fact, that as late as the year 1814 am old woman named Bessie Millie of Pomona. in the Orkney Islands, sold favorable winds to seamen at the small price of 6d a vessel. For many years witches were supposed to sell the wind. The Finlanders and Laplanders made quite a trade by selling winds. The old women, after being well paid by the credulous sailors, used to knit three magical knots; the buyer was told he would have a good gale when he untied the first knot, the second knot would bring a strong wind, and the third a severe tempest. At one time winds wess sold at Mont St. Michael, in Normandy, and arrows were sold at the same time to charm away bad storms .-Detroit Free Press.

For the Golf Lady.

Laced shoes and heavy gloves with perforated palms are still worn, but ninetenths of the women wear, instead of slik, mohair or gingham petticoats, golf underskirt made of dainty lace trimmed lawn. The excuse for this seemingly inappropriate extravagance is that golf clothes should all wash, and even the stays now sold for active wear on the links are made of linen tape with pullout bohes, which enables the laundress to boil and bleach as easily as lisle thread

BUILDING PERMITS.

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teration; \$75. A., J. Farmer, Third and Lincoln, two story flats; \$6000. John Scott, Twelfth and Morrison, repairs; \$150.

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