

SCIO.....OREGON

THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Called From the Telegraph Columns.

David G. Swain, United States army, retired, judge-advocate general, died in Washington, D. C., aged 33, of Bright's disease.

The twenty-third annual session of the American Bakers' Association convened in Detroit, Mich. About 500 delegates were present.

Two \$1,000 counterfeit notes were presented to the treasury department for redemption. They were made over 30 years ago and are clever imitations of the originals.

By a decision of Acting Secretary Ryan, of the interior department, the decision being prepared by Assistant Attorney-General Vandewater, it has been settled that any person can take 160 acres of land, and if the person has heretofore taken any part of the 160 acres, he or she is entitled to make up the full amount.

Railroad officials in St. Joseph report that there is danger of a coal famine on Western roads, caused by the immense grain crop. All roads entering that city are taxed to their fullest capacity now and the switching force has been increased 25 per cent.

Dr. J. M. Bleier, a reputable physician, of New York, announces that he has discovered a new cure for consumption by electricity. He will read a paper before the county medical society, giving the details of the plan, which is in effect the sterilizing of the effected lungs in what is known as electrolysis.

The report of the commissioner of education, Dr. William T. Harris, for the year ended July 1, 1896, has just been completed. It shows a total enrollment in that year in the schools and colleges, both public and private, of 15,077,197 pupils.

Frank Manning, an aged painter, ill, penniless and proud, starved to death in his room in West New York, N. J.

Angiolillo, the Italian anarchist who murdered Premier Canovas, has been tried by court-martial and sentenced to be garroted.

A Canadian Pacific train struck a cable containing wire stretched across near St. Lawrence, Quebec, killing two women and injuring three others.

A special from Rome says it is reported the pope will excommunicate Prince Henry of Orleans and the Count of Turin, as dueling is forbidden by the Roman Catholic church.

It is stated that President McKinley has expressed himself in favor of the admission of New Mexico to statehood. A bill to that effect will be introduced at the next session of congress.

A Southern Pacific freight train struck a burning stump that tumbled down the mountain side in Cow creek canyon in Southern Oregon, completely demolishing the engine and four cars and killing Fireman Robert McKean and an unknown tramp.

Justice Stephen J. Field, of the United States supreme court, has established the record for the longest service on that bench. The service of Chief Justice John Marshall had been the longest in the history of the court, covering 35 years.

Thomas Jefferson Sappington, an old-time resident of St. Louis county, Missouri, who saved General U. S. Grant from capture by Confederates, died near Sappington, a suburb of St. Louis. In 1864, when Grant came back to make a short visit to his farm near the latter city, Mr. Sappington, who was a first lieutenant in the Second Missouri militia, learned that a number of the most radical sympathizers with the South had planned to capture General Grant and take him South a prisoner.

Mr. Sappington determined to thwart the scheme. He hurried to St. Louis and met General Grant just as he was starting out for his farm. The result was a disappointment to the men who were lying in ambush for Grant.

J. H. Prawl shot and mortally wounded Daniel Maloney, ex-city marshal of The Dalles. The trouble arose over a horse race that occurred in Klickitat county two months ago.

Washington, Aug. 23.—Secretary Sherman has submitted to the Japanese government an answer to Japan's last note relating to the annexation of Hawaii to the United States.

Two features are brought out by the answer: It reiterates the position heretofore taken by the secretary of state as to the right and propriety of annexing Hawaii to the United States; with this, however, is coupled an assurance that the interests of Japan in Hawaii will be fully safeguarded.

The answer is largely an elaboration of Mr. Sherman's former letter, and the policies expressed in no way differ from those previously laid down by him.

One Killed, Several Wounded. New York, Aug. 23.—A dispatch to the Herald from Constantinople describing the bomb explosion says: Dynamite was hurled through the lower windows of the council house of the sublime port by Armenian hands and fell just below the room in which the telegraph office is situated, shaking with terrific force the entire building, bursting walls and shooting up through the floor above, which it lifted clear away, and finally perforating the roof with holes like those of a pepper-box.

North Tonawanda, N. Y., Aug. 23.—Uncle Sam is being defrauded, and the Chinese exclusion act evaded almost every day along the Niagara frontier. Lately the operations of the smugglers have increased in volume so rapidly that the federal officers have become alarmed.

The smugglers seem to be well informed as to the movements of the officers, and through information furnished them, presumably by spies, have been able to avoid all traps set.

The interdicted immigrants are brought across the Niagara frontier in considerable numbers. When they reach this city they are taken under cover of darkness to a certain laundry, where they are "planted" until arrangements can be made to send them to interior cities.

Knocked Overboard in Excitement. San Francisco, Aug. 23.—Early this morning, while the schooner Christina Stebbins, inward-bound with a cargo of lumber, was passing Point Bonita in a dense fog, another vessel was suddenly sighted being down upon her. The schooner was immediately put about and the danger averted, but meantime the foreboom, in swinging around, struck A. Nording and knocked him overboard. The blow broke his right arm and almost scalped him, but, being a good swimmer, he managed to get ashore and was picked up by a boat from the schooner three-quarters of an hour after the accident.

Salt on Its Upward Rise. Saginaw, Mich., Aug. 23.—The Michigan Salt Association has advanced the price of salt in all the markets of the West 5 cents a barrel, and in the home market 8 cents a barrel, which brings the price up relatively the same in all markets. The new prices are: Packers, 58¢; No. 1 steam, 53¢; No. 2 steam, 43¢; No. 1 granulated, 48¢ a barrel; dairy and solar remain at the former price. Salt is moving fairly and in good demand, and it was thought advisable to advance the price because the amount on hand is not more than at this time last year, and the prospects for the future bright.

Fasted and Died. Middleboro, Ky., Aug. 23.—Lena Collins Worth, of Claiborne county, Tenn., is dead from the effects of a 28-day fast. She has been starving herself to death under a vow. She quarreled with her husband, they separated, and she vowed she would fast until he returned to her. Efforts of friends and relatives to force her to eat have been of no avail.

To Klondike by Trolley Car. Tacoma, Aug. 23.—Among the passengers on the City of Kingston for Alaska last night, Frank McCormick, of Duluth, a representative of the General Electric Company, is said to have gone with the idea of looking into the feasibility of building an electric line through the pass to the gold regions, establishing electric light and power plants, etc.

A Tramp Friend Lynched. Chicago, Aug. 23.—An unknown tramp was captured and lynched this afternoon by infuriated farmers near Mahoning. The tramp had assaulted a woman, and beat her in a terrible manner.

A Submarine Boat Launched. Baltimore, Aug. 23.—The Argonaut, a submarine craft, was launched today at the yard of the Columbian iron work, in the presence of a large crowd of interested spectators. Miss Miriam Lake, daughter of the inventor, Simon Lake, christened the strange craft.

Harvard Students. Out of the 400 young men graduated from Harvard college this year not one intends to take up the study of theology.

Hutchinson, Kan., Aug. 23.—The grandstand fell at the L. A. W. bicycle races here today. Four thousand people packed the temporary structure, and during the third race, without warning, a section of the grandstand gave way, throwing 500 people to the ground. None are killed, but a number were seriously injured.

Belgrade, Aug. 23.—A dispatch from Nisch says that during gunner practice there today a shell belonging to one of the guns of the fortress exploded, killing six artillerymen and badly injuring four others.

Semimonthly Trips to the Klondike Region.

AGREE TO EXCHANGE OF MAILS

Canada's Proposition Formally Accepted by Acting Postmaster-General on Behalf of the United States.

Washington, Aug. 23.—The Canadian and the United States governments have agreed to cooperate in augmenting the postal facilities of the Klondike region, and the result will shortly be evidenced in a substantial doubling of the mail service from the coast into that district. Canada made a proposition for exchange of mails at Clifton City and Dawson City, agreeing to perform the service from Dawson City to Dyea by means of a contract of her own, with reimbursement to be made by this government for its share of the service.

This differs from this country's proposition in that under the latter the United States was to let the contract and look to Canada for reimbursement for the latter's share. The counter scheme, however, is satisfactory to the postoffice department here.

The Canadian service provides for the exchange of mails at Port Cudlay and two other stations between Dawson City and Dyea. The exact route is not out, but in all probability it will strike off directly southward from Dawson City, which is on the British side of the line, down to Dyea. At present, the district gets the benefit of mails once a month. The new arrangement will furnish an additional service, giving semi-monthly mails, the trips probably being sandwiched between the dates designated in the present contract of the United States.

Canada's proposition for carrying the mails one round trip a month between Dawson City and Dyea was formally accepted this afternoon by Acting Postmaster-General Schellenberg, and the Canadian government notified of the action. In the communication, this government is stated to be ready to assume its share of the responsibility, and Canada is urged to put the service into operation at the earliest possible moment. Dyea, which is 100 miles above Juneau, on Lynn canal, and Dawson City will be declared international postal exchange offices. The British mails will be carried by the United States from Victoria to Dyea. The service will bring about the creation of a postoffice at Dawson City, and also at Port Cudlay, Forty Mile, and probably at other points, although these mentioned are beyond Dawson City.

The service will be under the immediate supervision of the Canadian mounted police, and the carriers will be equipped with dogs and sledges, and will have Indian drivers. The first contract will be at least one year. Wherever the British mails can be expedited by carrying them over the present Klondike route between the dates of the new service this will be done.

Last April an order was issued by the postoffice department discontinuing the steamboat mail service from Seattle to Juneau, beginning April 13. This order has now been modified to read "omit service from that date to the 31st of this month, when the performance of the service is to be resumed."

Queen Will Carry a Haul. Seattle, Aug. 23.—At 6:30 tonight, the A. K. sailed for Dyea and Skagway, she carried 145 passengers and 600 tons of freight. Among the cattle on board were 25 long-horned steers. Shortly after the collier Willamette left for Dyea, the passengers organized for police protection, the organization being named the Willamette and Klondike Protective Society. Care was taken to prevent fire and all suspicious characters were watched. Before the boat reached Dyea eight suspected men had been imprisoned.

Valentine scrip jumped in price to \$35 and \$45 per cent, as the result of the rash to the Klondike gold fields. Large blocks of scrip have been sold in this city, the intention being to locate property at Skagway. Next Sunday the steamer Queen leaves for St. Michaels with lumber. The A. S. Kerry Lumber Company has a hotel there to accommodate 150 people. The Queen will reach there in three weeks.

Deputy Sheriff Calderhead has a letter from ex-Deputy Adam Baker, dated Skagway, August 7. He went on the Rosalie. The passengers formed a company to sail. Trouble ensued by one man assuming to boss. The miners drew guns and then took their individual gold ashore.

The river, but a mile from camp, is 500 feet wide and swift, and there is continued loss of goods by horses falling in the current. Packs must be cut away to save the horses. Several horses were drowned August 6 and 7. Tired men are selling outfits at less than cost. Thirty men are building a bridge half a mile up. It is a private snap. All would be well if the prospectors would work together.

Fell Through a Hatchway to Death. Port Townsend, Aug. 23.—John Riley, a sailor on the British ship Cornucopia, which arrived yesterday with wheat at Tacoma for the United Kingdom, fell through a hatchway of the ship this morning and broke his neck.

Severe Storms in Silesia. Berlin, Aug. 23.—The greater part of Silesia has been visited by severe storms, and several persons have been killed by lightning.

Ashore at Tatosoh. Port Townsend, Aug. 23.—The American bark Matilda, 819 tons, Captain McKenzie, bound in from Honolulu to Port Bialeky, to load lumber for the return trip, went ashore at Tatosoh rocks at 2 o'clock this morning. She is a total wreck. The Matilda was owned by Captain Ruffs Calloun, of this city, and had been in the lumber trade between Sound ports and Honolulu many years. There was no fog, but light smoke reported at the time of the accident. The Matilda was built at Seersport, Me., in 1857.

A Freight Train Wreck. St. Louis, Aug. 23.—A Republic special from McLeansboro, Ill., says that nobody was killed in the wreck of freight trains on the Louisville & Nashville railroad near Dalgren, at 8 A. M. The trainmen of the trains which were in collision escaped unhurt. Both engines were completely demolished, and five cars of corn dished, delaying the trains four hours.

In England and Wales the death rate from typhoid fever has declined from 277 per million in 1876-80 to 135 in 1896-94.

INJUNCTION MADE PERMANENT

DISCOVERER OF CLIPPERTON

His Claim, and Proves Clipperton Island to Belong to Uncle Sam.

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 23.—Captain F. W. Permein, of this city, claims Clipperton island, and asserts, too, his title as the bona fide discoverer of the Atoll with its beds of guano and of pearl oysters.

He asserts that on May 21, 1881, while bound to Costa Rica in his brig, the Elsie, he first visited the island; that on July 4, 1892, he visited it again and before the stars and stripes took formal possession of it in the name of the United States. Documentary evidence on the subject is on file at Washington, copies of which Captain Permein possesses, seems to substantiate his claim and also to prove that the island is United States territory.

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NEWS FROM THE NORTH.

The Steamer Queen Brings Word From Dyea and Skagway.

Victoria, Aug. 19.—The steamer Queen arrived late tonight from the north. According to Purser Carroll, very few of the 1,500 men now camped at Skagway and Dyea will get over the pass this winter.

Men started to build a new trail, but found that it would take 300 men three weeks, and abandoned the idea. Probably 300 men will get across in time to start down the river.

A committee of 23 has been appointed to keep order at Skagway. J. McKinney, of Seattle, being elected chairman, and W. J. Sapparat, of New York, secretary. Everything is orderly, and men in good health.

On August 7, the high tide drove many campers back from the beach. There is a good road five miles from the bay, and goods can be hauled in by wagon that distance. After that the trail is bad.

Men are locating lots at Skagway, one being sold for \$500. Most of the men are preparing to winter at Skagway.

A packer from Portland lost eight horses and packs. They fell down a cliff 70 feet, the packer narrowly escaping.

The report that the steamer Danube, from this port, was seized at Dyea is denied by the officers of the Queen.

Men who arrived from the North tonight state that, although the Chilkoot trail is the best one, many are coming at Skagway. Goods can be hauled over a large part of the Chilkoot trail in wagons, and most of the rest of the way on pack-horses. About two miles over the summit men have to carry their goods.

The White pass trail is very bad and horses have to be killed daily. About two miles of the trail is corduroyed, but still a large portion of it is boggy. A few men are getting through, but very slowly, horses being scarce, compared with the number of men there.

Mines Will Start Up. The Pittsburg Operators Have Decided to Defy the Strikers.

Clatsop, Aug. 19.—The operators of 25 Pennsylvania coal mines held a conference in this city today, at which it was determined that mines in the Pittsburg district should be started and operated without delay, on the ground that the miners have taken a high-handed position; that nothing but an unreasonable price for mining will satisfy their demands; that they have been unwilling to treat with the operators on any fair grounds; also that there is no other course left open to the operators at this time.

It was determined that all coal sold on the 54-cent basis of mining this year must be mined at this price. No change in the price of mining will be considered until the contracts made at the 54-cent basis are filed and the uniformity agreement is completed.

At least three-fourths of the tonnage of the Pittsburg district was represented at the conference, and all were unanimous and agreed, if necessary, to forcibly resume operations, with the exception of M. A. Hanna & Co.

No A Priceless Pearl. A Monoged Consideration Presented a Woman Committing Suicide.

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 19.—Mabel Crosby, who attempted to commit suicide near Lambertville, N. J., a few days ago, is well known in California. She is known here as Mrs. Pearl Price, and threatening suicide is her profession. Whenever she becomes financially embarrassed, she permits someone to prevent her from committing suicide. Then she takes up a collection, has herself photographed in a living picture pose, and goes to another town. In this way Mrs. Price has been quite successful in gaining a livelihood.

Mrs. Price used to be on the stage, which gave her a knowledge of elocution and effective posturing. Later on she performed in a circus, where she gained a training that enables her to take high dives into the water without any danger of being drowned until some one rescues her.

Last winter she aroused the sympathies of the people of Hayward by trying to hang herself, and secured enough money to go to Los Angeles. Then it was discovered that under the name of Crosby she had previously played the same trick and taken up a collection at Redding. Next she appeared at New Orleans and leaped into the Mississippi, but was rescued by a friend, and sympathetic people sent her on to her starving children in New York.

Rails by Cubans. Key West, Fla., Aug. 19.—The Cerro in the outskirts of Havana was attacked by the insurgents, who sacked the stores and took all the horses from the stables of the Estanillo Stage Company. At Sonoguer, near Matanzas, insurgents attacked the town and sacked the stores, where they captured arms, ammunition and all kinds of supplies. The Spaniards made no resistance. Rego, the insurgent leader, also entered Sagua la Grande, remaining in town several hours. The insurgent officers had time to see their friends in the stores, and they gave freely all that the insurgents needed.

An Expedition From New York. New York, Aug. 19.—All the long-shoremen in the neighborhood of pier 39, East river, are talking of what they call a Cuban filibustering expedition that left the pier of the Bridgeport transportation line early Sunday. According to the story of a longshoreman the ammunition which was placed on board a schooner consisted of 4,000 boxes of cartridges and a big quantity of dynamite. The rifles, it is said, filled 200 cases.

Rush to Trinity Mines. Redding, Cal., Aug. 19.—Forty prospectors arrived this morning. At the rate they are going into the diggings, Coffey creek and its tributaries will be prospected as never before. It is expected that 300 miners will reach here tomorrow from Oakland. Hotels and business houses are reaping a harvest.

A Resume of Events in the Northwest.

EVIDENCE OF STEADY GROWTH

News Gathered in All the Towns of Our Neighboring States Improve Conditions in All Industries—Oregon—Lane county warrants are selling at 102 cents on the dollar.

Seven carloads of old wheat were shipped from Sheridan last week. A Polk county farm located near Antioch was sold for \$10,000 last week. The foundry at Oswego has started up on a two weeks' order, and may run longer.

The board of management of the Commercial Association of Umatilla county has decided to send an exhibit of Umatilla products to the Spokane '97 fair.

An injunction has been granted by Judge Fullerton against Coos county, restraining the sheriff from selling the property of the Southern Oregon company, attached for delinquent taxes.

There are 26,000 acres planted in prunes in Oregon—15,000 of them in the Willamette valley, 6,500 in the Rogue River valley. The coast counties and Eastern Oregon have 2,000 acres.

A miner arrived in Marshfield a few days ago, from the Salmon Mountain mines, with about five ounces of gold. He had with him one nugget worth about \$38. He found the gold on Johnson creek.

The Klamath River Lumber Company's mill at Pokagonia started up in full blast last week, and will be kept in operation right along, a big drive of 4,000,000 feet of logs having arrived. About 25 men are employed.

Engineer J. G. Holcombe is making preparations to survey the Tillamook and Nehalem bars. Alfred Williams and Fred Arthur have engaged to assist in making the sounding. It is done with a view of preparing an estimate for the improvement of the bars.

Elk and deer hunters on the Lower Nehalem and Salmonberry rivers report game very scarce this year. Two and three years ago elk were so plentiful that they could be easily tracked, but this season they are so scarce that tracks are not to be found, only rarely.

There are nine combined harvesters operating in Sherman and Gilliam counties. By this method of harvesting, farmers near the railroad are enabled to start their machinery and teams going in the morning and by noon have their wheat in the warehouses.

Progress in laying the rails on the Astoria & Columbia River railroad has been delayed by bridge construction at John Days. A temporary bridge will be completed this week, and track-laying beyond that point will then go ahead. Work on the grade is progressing rapidly.

The Oregon Land Company has leased the evaporator of the Salem Canning Company, and is building several evaporators of its own. It is expected to handle 2,000 bushels a day of fruit and vegetables, with a special view to the Alaska demand, for which orders are already on hand.

The total salmon pack of the Columbia river is 474,500 cases, according to reliable statistics from all packers. The Fishermen's Union cannery heads the list, with 22,000 cases. Fully 90 per cent of the pack is royal chinook, and the general quality is excellent. Most of