

GRAFT CHARGED BY STOCKHOLDERS

Much Dissatisfaction Expressed in Connection With the Extension of Railroad Through the Northwest.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 15.—Officials of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railroad are in San Francisco today and it is said their presence forecasts an important meeting over the road's troubles. Stockholders have expressed dissatisfaction with the way certain money was spent in extending the line from St. Paul to Seattle and the Pacific northwest.

President H. R. Williams, K. Adelberg, head of the commissary department, and Chief Counsel Burton Hanson are already here, and P. C. Hart, superintendent of the Puget Sound extension, is expected to arrive today.

Recently stockholders in St. Paul openly expressed their disapproval of the way the road had "wound" itself northwestward. Some of them even declared that certain men connected with the extension work had grafted several million dollars.

This was achieved, they said, by these men buying up property along the route they knew the road would take. Some of the land is said to have been bought as low as \$1 per acre and sold as high as \$450 an acre. Miles and miles of land were sold.

Much of this land lies in the states of Washington, Montana and Idaho. Dispatches from St. Paul recently gave these details and stated that a compromise had been reached by which \$1,000,000 was to be returned to the treasury.

WELL, THERE'S NO REASON WHY HE SHOULD, ANYWAY

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—"James J. Jeffries will never be seen in a prize ring again."

This statement was made here today by Jack Curley, promoter of the Johnson-Flynn fight, who has just returned from Los Angeles.

"Reports that Jeff was going to re-enter the ring reached me in San Francisco," said Curley, "and I went to Los Angeles to 'pump' Jim on the subject. Jeffries told me positively that the was through with the fight game for all time. He even hates to talk about fights or prize fighters."

ELLIS MAY AGAIN ENTER RACE FOR CONGRESS

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 15.—Ex-Congressman W. R. Ellis of Pendleton, who has been in Portland for several days feeling out the political situation, has decided to make the race for the republican nomination for congress in the second district. While Mr. Ellis refused to admit that he is definitely in the race, it is known that the question was settled at a conference last night and that the standpat Taft element in the party will line up practically solidly behind Ellis. The entrance of Ellis makes five candidates already announced in the second district.

The Daily H'nt from Paris.



VANIMAN SOLVES AERIAL PROBLEM

Invents Dirigible Balloon by Which an Operator Can Remain Aloft for Weeks—Edison Marvels at Simplicity of Invention.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—The invention of a dirigible balloon by which the operator may remain aloft for weeks is announced here today in the Scientific American.

Melvin Vaniman, who recently failed in an attempt to cross the Atlantic by dirigible, is the inventor. The balloon, according to the description contained in the Scientific American, completely solves the problem of maintaining perfect equilibrium while in the air. The envelope is composed of cotton and a preparation of rubber, reinforced by piano wire. Inside of the envelope is a collapsible air ballast tank. If the operator wishes to ascend he allows the air to escape; if he wishes to descend he pumps more "air ballast" into the tank.

Vaniman said today that he could remain aloft for weeks in the craft and he contemplates making a trip to Europe in the balloon as soon as it is given a thorough test.

Thomas Edison is enthusiastic over Vaniman's invention.

"Vaniman," said Edison, "has applied a principle so obvious that it does not need demonstration. The wonder of it is that no one has thought of the scheme before. It is simple and entirely practicable."

BLIGHT SERIOUS IN BITTER ROOT VALLEY

Blight is seriously menacing the entire fruit crop of the Bitter Root valley in Montana, according to word received by Professor O'Gara from M. L. Dean, state horticultural commissioner, who seeks Professor O'Gara's assistance.

As the local pathologist cannot leave at this season, he is forwarding his manuscript to Mr. Dean, together with lantern slides on the subject.

SUPPOSED LEPER MAY GET LIGHTHOUSE JOB

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 15.—John Early, supposed leper, may become a government lighthouse keeper. If plans of the county commissioners here go through.

The problem of what to do with Early, against whose presence at Summit View, near here, protests have been made, may be solved by the suggestion of the commissioners today.

They will petition the government to name Early as lighthouse keeper at Eagle Island in the sound near here. The island contains five acres of fertile ground and is sheltered. The county will build separate homes for Early and for his family, including a wife and three children.

Early is farming on his five acre place at Summit View now and is confident he can make a living from the land with the help of his pension.

SAYS HE IS MAN WHO SHOT GOEBEL

HELENA, Ark., Feb. 15.—James Gilbert, who was fatally wounded today in a duel with a bartender, declared that he was the man who fired the shot that killed Governor William Goebel at Frankfort, Ky., in January, 1900. Gilbert came to Helena from Kentucky.

Dandruff Goes

Quickest Dandruff Cure World Has Ever Known.

If you want to get rid of dandruff in the shortest possible time get a bottle of PARISIAN SAGE today and use it.

Besides banishing dandruff and making your scalp immaculately clean, PARISIAN SAGE is guaranteed to stop falling hair and itching scalp and impart life and beauty to the hair.

One of Rochester's most prominent barbers writes:

"Gentlemen: I am a barber of fifteen years experience, and have used many things for hair but never found anything equal to PARISIAN SAGE for removing dandruff. It is also a splendid hair dressing and quickly stops itching scalp. I have used it for the last three years." T. D. Smith, Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Rochester, N. Y., June 27, 1911.

PARISIAN SAGE is sold by Chas. Strang and druggists everywhere for 50 cents.

Mutt and Jeff at the Medford Feb. 22



NEW EMBASSADOR FROM JAPAN ARRIVES

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 15.—The new Japanese ambassador to the United States, Viscount Suetki Chinda, accompanied by the viscountess, arrived here today on the Shin Yo Maru and after a few days in San Francisco will leave for Washington.

Viscount Chinda has an intimate acquaintanceship with many men of prominence of this country, among them Senator Albert Beveridge, with whom he attended Depan university in Indiana.

ENGINE ROLLS DOWN BANK INTO BANK

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Feb. 15.—Five were killed and three seriously injured here today when a locomotive hauling three cars of ore jumped the track, rolled down a hill 75 feet and crashed through the roof of the Citizens bank and the Bingham dye works at Bingham, Utah.

When the crash came Fred Sharkey, cashier of the bank, was sleeping in a rear room of the bank. He was hurled into the street, but was uninjured.

PROF. REIMER IS EXAMINING BUDS

Prof. F. C. Reimer of the experimental station left this morning for Central Point, where, in the E. Lane orchard, he will take up the work of an extensive and thorough examination of the buds on the fruit trees to determine the amount of bloom which the trees will produce this spring. This will be done by a careful and thorough microscopic examination of the buds.

When this is determined the fruit growers will know to what extent they will need to prepare for spring smudging to prevent injury to the fruit by frosts.

COLLECT TAXES IN CIRCUIT COURT ROOM

Owing to a scarcity of room in the sheriff's office that official has made preparations to collect this season's taxes in the courtroom on the second floor of the courthouse. The work of collecting taxes started Thursday morning.

ELKS SECOND ANNUAL BALL A GREAT SUCCESS

The second annual dance given by the members of Medford lodge, 1168, B. P. O. E., at the Natatorium last evening was one of the most successful social events of the year. Over 120 couples were present.

UNCLE SAM BUYS OREGON CITY LOCKS

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 15.—The Willamette river locks at Oregon City, owned by the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, will be sold immediately to the government for \$275,000. Authorization to close the deal is expected momentarily by Major J. F. McIndoe, corps of engineers, U. S. A., who has just arrived here from Washington, D. C., to close negotiations.

When the government takes charge the toll of 50 cents a ton now charged against river freight will be removed and with free passage assured it is expected a big increase in water traffic will result.

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<p>LET'S GET ACQUAINTED.</p> <p>WE WANT TO MAKE YOUR ACQUAINTANCE</p> <p>WE WANT YOU TO GET ACQUAINTED WITH OUR OFFICE AND OUR METHODS.</p> <p>If you do you will be well satisfied with our office, our methods and will become enthusiastic, well qualified BOOSTERS.</p> <p>IF A DISCOUNT OF 25 PER CENT (1/4 off) IS NO OBJECT TO YOU WE WILL GLADLY ACCEPT THE WHOLE PEE.</p> <p>AFTER GETTING OUR PRICE, IF YOU THINK IT IS RIGHT, PRESENT THIS ADVERTISEMENT AND THE PRICE IS THEREBY LOWERED ONE-FOURTH.</p> <p>A 25 PER CENT DISCOUNT UNTIL MARCH 4TH.</p> <p>EVERY ONE A PATIENT—EVERY PATIENT A BOOSTER</p> <p>Our qualifications are the best to be obtained.</p> <p>OUR WORK WILL PLEASE YOU.</p> <p>REMEMBER—WE PAY for this advertisement the same as any other firm.</p> <p>CONSULTATION FREE.</p> <p>Clark E. Saunders, M. D. R. E. Green, M. D.</p> <p>Consultation always FREE</p> <p>Drs. Saunders & Green</p> <p>Practice Limited to Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat</p> <p>Garnett-Corey Building Medford, Oregon</p>	
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TWENTY-SIXTH

Friday and Saturday Surprise Sale

Careful buyers will find some attractive bargains in our sale this week. Some of them can be seen in our front windows. These bargains will please you; so will our new line of spring goods. Let us show them to you.

<p>COMFORTS—A large size, good weight comfort, made of good white cotton and covered with alkaline; a \$2.50 comfort for</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$1.59</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Men's Work Shirts</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Our regular 50c seller, all sizes and colors</p> <p style="text-align: center;">39c</p>	<p>TOWELS—Hemstitched linen huck towels, large size and good weight; a good one at 25c; sale</p> <p style="text-align: center;">19c</p>
<p>LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS—A nice cambric handkerchief that always sells for 10c; 4 of them for</p> <p style="text-align: center;">25c</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Kid Gloves</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A few colors of our \$1.50 real kid glove, all sizes</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$1.19</p>	<p>LACE—A Val. lace edging and insertion worth 50c yard. Put up in 12-yard piece. Per piece</p> <p style="text-align: center;">35c</p>
<p>BUNGALOW SCRIM—A new line of printed Bungalow Scrim that will sell for 25c yard. We will put them on sale at</p> <p style="text-align: center;">19c a yard</p>		<p>CAMBRIC MUSLIN—A soft finish cambric muslin. The Berkeley brand that always sells for 15c. Sale</p> <p style="text-align: center;">11c a yard</p>

Sugar has advanced. Saturday will positively be the last day we can give 15 pounds for \$1.00

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