

# YAMHILL COUNTY REPORTER.

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## EVENTS OF THE DAY

An Interesting Collection of Items From the Two Hemispheres Presented in a Condensed Form.

All the ministers at Pekin have signed the joint note.

England is alarmed over the Boer invasion of Cape Colony.

The senate committee made many changes in the army bill.

The Morans, of Seattle, will not get the contract for new warship.

Speaker Henderson is opposed to enlargement of the Portland postoffice.

The river and harbor bill will not be made public until after the holidays.

Martin Stickel, the self-confessed Castle Rock assassin, will be hanged.

A company has been organized in Iowa to build a fish cannery in Alaska.

Anna E. Smith, was appointed postmistress at Camas valley, Or., vice H. Allison, resigned.

Thomas Parker, a native of England, was frozen to death near the mouth of White river, Klondike.

Samples of two dangerous counterfeit silver coins have been obtained from Portland and Spokane.

A collision occurred on the Sumpter-Baker City road in which two locomotives were slightly damaged.

Memorial services were held at the Oregon university in honor of Henry Villard, one of the college's greatest benefactors.

It is announced that the total taxable property in the city of Salem, Or., will be approximately \$230,000 less than last year.

A pitched battle is imminent between the British under General Clements, who has been reinforced, and the Boers under General Delarey.

The clearing house banks at Tacoma, have decided that after January 1, they will accept Canadian silver at par. Heretofore it has been taken at 5 per cent discount.

All attempts to float the British steamer Laura, Captain Yule, from Savannah via Norfolk for Bremen, ashore on the coast of Holland, near Petton, have been unsuccessful.

The steamer Sarah Dixon collided with the breakwater near Mount Coffin, on the lower Columbia, and now rests in 15 feet of water. This is the steamer's second experience under water.

In Panay, 21,000 persons have sworn allegiance.

Morocco pays the American indemnity claim.

Ashland, Or., voted against licensing saloons.

The Boers raided Cape Colony at two separate points.

The misunderstanding at Pekin was due to a cable error.

Only 35 lives were lost in the foundering of the Gneisenau.

The French chamber of deputies adopted the amnesty bill.

The return of volunteers will cause renewed insurgent activity.

Colorado capitalists have bonded the old Gem mine, in Eastern Oregon.

Reapportionment bill reported gives Washington no extra congressman.

Railway brotherhoods will ask the Santa Fe to re-employ its operators.

The naval construction board recommends four awards for warship construction.

Superintendent Calbreth, of Oregon insane asylum, has submitted his annual report.

Farmers' institute was held at Stafford under auspices of the Oregon agricultural college.

Washington county, Oregon, has offered \$500 reward for the arrest of the murderer of Andrew Dahlberg.

The schooner Pioneer, lumber-laden for San Francisco, went ashore on the Nestucca beach during the recent storm.

Associate Supreme Court Justice George C. Ludlow, ex-governor of New Jersey, died at his residence in New Brunswick, N. J.

Two transports will start in a few days from Manila for San Francisco with 1,000 sick and wounded soldiers.

The stranded bark Poutalloch, on Willapa harbor, withstood the recent gale good. In fact she is in better position than before.

Fire in East Providence, R. I., destroyed a wharf on which there was 2,000 tons of coal. The loss is estimated at \$200,000.

Two highwaymen who stopped a buggy near Portland, upon discovering that it contained two ladies, apologized and allowed them to drive on.

Twenty-five terra cotta statues in the Boston museum of fine arts prove to be bogus.

To the naked eye not more than 6,000 stars are ordinarily visible. A powerful telescope will reveal 5,000,000 stars at once.

In China anyone who writes an immoral book is punished with 100 blows of the heavy bamboo and banishment for life. Anyone who reads it is also punished.

## LATER NEWS.

Dewet is the guiding genius of the Boers.

Minister Wu thinks the joint note demands too much.

Minnesota has experienced her first blizzard of the year.

The Japanese minister of communication has resigned.

Spokane has decided to hold a mineral fair during 1902.

Oregon has paid out nearly \$100,000 in scalp bounties during 1899.

Public attention in Germany is occupied with crime in high circles.

Kitchener reports that Boer invasion into Cape Colony has been checked.

Germany wants the sultan to pay its bill before buying an American warship.

Rebels are scattered in the provinces of Panay and Cebu, Philippine islands.

England will buy 50,000 horses and mules in the United States for army in South Africa.

Delay in negotiations has caused great change of sentiments as regards China in Japan.

A tornado did great damage in Alabama. News is meager, owing to all wires being down.

H. Phelps Whitmarsh has been appointed governor of the province of Benguet, Philippine islands.

Forty-five insurgents were killed and one American wounded in an encounter near Guobatan, Philippine islands.

E. H. Southern, the well known actor, who has been laid up for some time by an accident, is entirely recovered.

A large portion of the Philippines must be abandoned unless the relief of the army is immediate, says Secretary Root.

The police are working on the case of Long, the Portland burglar recently arrested. It is thought that a charge of murder will be laid at his door.

Fire which started in a Pennsylvania coal mine 42 years ago is under control, and it is said that the next two years will see it extinguished. The fire has consumed about 35 acres of the finest coal land in the anthracite region.

Frank H. Morris, auditor of the war department, was shot and killed by Samuel MacDonald, a postoffice department clerk. Fancied grievances and liquor were the causes that led up to the shooting. MacDonald afterward shot himself and will not recover.

There is another hitch in the Chinese negotiations.

Troops are being concentrated in Northern Cape Colony.

The English war office has arranged to reinforce Kitchener at once.

Nicholas Darnell, a pioneer of Eastern Oregon, is dead, aged 63 years.

Senator McBride has asked for large appropriation for customs service launch at Astoria.

The Booth-Kelly Lumber Company will change its headquarters from Saguaw to Eugene, Or.

Governor Geer asks Pacific Northwest states to join Oregon in celebration of Lewis and Clarke centennial.

A mob at Gulf Port, Miss., lynched a negro. It now appears that he was the wrong man.

The supreme court of Ohio has dismissed five cases brought under the trust laws of that state.

It is probable that the president will visit Portland and the Puget sound cities on his trip in May.

State of Washington pays \$11,300 sugar bounty to local sugar beet factory for Spokane county crop.

The striking telegraph operators on the Santa Fe have given up the fight. Their places have been filled by new men.

Over 1,000 Christians are reported to have been massacred by Turks. The Turkish authorities show the utmost indifference.

The controller of the currency has appointed a receiver for the American National Bank of Baltimore. It is thought that depositors will be paid in full.

A dispatch from Tien Tsin says: "Prince Ching asserts that Emperor Kwang Hsu, unaccompanied by the Empress Dowager, left Sinan Fu December 19, bound for Pekin."

The dead body of Peter F. Johnson was found in a water ditch on Park avenue, Payallup. The presumption is that Johnson fell into the ditch and was unable to rescue himself.

Conger was instructed to sign the note.

A coal mine under the city of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, has partially caved in, allowing part of the principal street of the town to fall into the mine. It is feared other sections will also sink.

Following the break of the Lulu island dyke, floods have caused further damage to the seawalls protecting the farmers of the Fraser river valley. Owing to high tides, strong winds and heavy rains, the lands have been badly flooded, and the village of Stevenson is three feet under water.

The agricultural department has established at Washington a laboratory for testing all sorts of road materials.

The immigration bureau has allowed contract laborers from Porto Rico to land in the United States as citizens.

The cost of the public schools of Greater New York for the year 1901 will be \$17,700,078. The number of pupils in the schools is estimated at 408,112.

## 300 MEN ON STRIKE

Every Employee of the Scranton Street Railway.

DEMAND BETTER PAY AND FEWER HOURS

Company Says It Is Not in a Position to Grant Increase—Negotiations Under Way for Speedy Settlement.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 26.—Every one of the 300 car and barn employees of the Scranton Railway Company obeyed the strike order, which went into effect at 5 o'clock this morning, and as a consequence only two cars were run in all of the Lackawanna valley today. These two were manned by Superintendent Patterson and dispatchers, foremen and clerks. No attempt was made to molest them, and, although rain fell a great part of the day, the two cars seldom had a passenger.

The tied-up region extends from Pittston to Forest City, a distance of 30 miles, and includes 65 miles of track, on which are run ordinarily 80 cars. The men of the Wyoming Valley Traction Company, operating all the lines south of Pittston as far as Nanticoke, threaten to go on a strike. With both companies tied up there would be a total cessation of street car traffic on a busy stretch of country 80 miles north, including the four big cities of Scranton, Wilkesbarre, Pittston and Carbondale.

The strikers met tonight and appointed committees to man the different railroad stations. They are to watch for men who it is rumored have been recruited in Philadelphia to take their places. They will distribute cards to strangers, notifying them of the strike, and asking them not to ride on the cars. An appeal to the local public has been issued, asking that the cars be not patronized.

The men demand 20 cents an hour for old employees and 15 to 17 1/2 for new men. They also demand a 10-hour day. The company, in its answer to the grievance committee, says it is not in a position to afford any increase in wages at the present time. President Clark arrived tonight and stated the road would be operated with new men if the old men cannot be secured.

What the Company Offers.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 26.—The employees of the Wilkesbarre & Wyoming Valley Electric Railway Company and the officials of the company met in conference today to talk over certain grievances which the men submitted to the company. The employees demanded 20 cents an hour for every hour worked and shorter hours. President Rigg said he wanted to be fair with the men, but their demands were too sweeping, and the company could not afford to grant them. As a compromise President Rigg offered the men 16 cents an hour, but no reduction in the hours. The conductors and motormen refused to accept this offer.

Indian Outbreak Feared.

Seattle, Dec. 26.—Advices have been received from Sitka, Alaska, stating that that town is in a condition of suppressed excitement, fearing an outbreak of Indians. The United States marines stationed there are under arms, and the marshal and deputies are taking every precaution to protect the whites in case of trouble. The aspect of affairs is very serious at Sitka, as the Indians are by far the strongest numerically. There are 55 marines commanded by Captain Pendleton at Sitka.

Sympathetic Strike.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 26.—Two hundred and fifty girls employed at the Wyoming Valley lace mills, in this city, have notified the management that they will not report for work tomorrow. They go out in sympathy with the weavers of the mill, who have been out on a strike for nine months. The failure of the girls to report for work will necessitate the total suspension of the plant.

Struck and Killed by Cars.

St. Paul, Dec. 26.—Charles M. Miller, assistant engineer on the Montana division of the Great Northern railway, was struck and killed by an electric car in this city. Miller's headquarters were at Williston, N. D., and he was on a visit to relatives in this city. N. F. Miller, for many years chief engineer of the Great Northern system, was a brother of the deceased.

Strike Declared Off.

Muncie, Ind., Dec. 26.—The strike of the snappers in the Trust window-glass plants in Muncie, which threatened to close all the Western plants, was called off tonight. The workmen met and decided not to return to work unless they received the same pay as before. The management then offered terms which were accepted by the men.

Attorney-General Griggs has concluded his argument in the Porto Rico case.

Murder Case Decision Reversed.

South Bend, Dec. 24.—Judge Elliot has reserved his decision on the motion made for a new trial of Manuel Gates, convicted of murdering William Beeson. The counsel for the defendant introduced as new evidence the affidavit of J. S. Stout, to the effect that he heard cries of distress coming from the launch Leonore, of which Beeson was captain, at a point on the river two miles below where Gates is supposed to have attacked Beeson.

## THE POPULAR VOTE.

McKinley's Plurality, According to the Present Figures, Was 859,824.

New York, Dec. 24.—The Times this morning publishes a table showing the popular vote for presidential electors in the recent election. Minnesota was the last state to declare its vote, this not having been done until yesterday. In some states, as in Louisiana and South Carolina, there were the nominations of but two parties, Republican and Democrat, upon the ballots; in other states there were three or four, and in some eight.

The total vote, including 6,211 scattering, was 13,967,299. Of this McKinley received 7,217,677, and Bryan 6,857,653. Woolley, Prohibitionist, received, so far as reported, 207,368; Barker middle of the road Populist, 50,188; Debs, Social Democrat, 94,552; and Maloney, Social Labor, 33,450. McKinley's plurality, according to the figures of the Times, was 859,824; McKinley's majority was 468,055.

In addition there were votes returned in five states for the candidates of the National Union Reform party, Seth H. Ellis, of Ohio, for president, and Samuel T. Nicholson, of Pennsylvania, for vice-president, and in two states for the candidates of the United Christian party, J. F. R. Leonard, of Iowa, for president, and John G. Woolley, of Illinois, for vice-president.

## WILL BE \$400,000.

Amount Settled Upon for the Improvement of the Columbia River.

Washington, Dec. 24.—The river and harbor bill will contain an appropriation of \$400,000 for the mouth of the Columbia, and a further provision that this improvement be placed under the continuing contract system until completed. It is understood, however, that the total amount of the contract will not be as great as that recommended by the engineers. It will probably be in the neighborhood of \$1,500,000. This cut in the estimate is very favorable to many other states.

Chairman Burton was anxious to have some repeal legislation to qualify the large amount in the river and harbor bill. One of the items which he wanted repealed was the Dalles boat railway. The Oregon delegation insisted that it should remain until assurance of some other project for overcoming the obstruction could be had. This contention now prevails.

## RICH STRIKE IN LUCKY BOY.

More Stamps Are Soon to Be Added to the Present Milling Facilities.

Blue River, Or., Dec. 24.—A new body of rich ore has been struck in the last crosscut from the middle tunnel in the Lucky Boy mine. This crosscut has been run in about 20 feet towards the hanging wall. A fine body of free gold rock, some of which shows gold to the naked eye, is revealed. A new tunnel has been started on the level with the top of the mill, that will soon tap the pay chute nearly 100 feet below the upper tunnel. This will soon be connected with the two upper tunnels by an upraise, and thus be made the main working tunnel. The tunnel can be extended into the mountain for nearly 3,000 feet along the course of the ledge, gaining a perpendicular depth of nearly 2,000 feet, from 20 to 30 feet wide. Hundreds of thousands of tons of ore can be taken out without expense for pumping or hoisting. An additional number of stamps will be added to the present mill the coming season.

Crushing of ore began December 19 last year, and the plant has never stopped an hour, day or night, since except for slight repairs or to clean up.

Mystery Surrounds Boy's Death.

Chehalis, Wash., Dec. 24.—A boy named Wilson met his death in the Chehalis railroad yards in a mysterious manner. He was found about 2 o'clock, still alive, and carried into the depot. He had been badly bruised on one side. He died a few hours after being taken home.

Negroes for Hawaii.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—A special to the Record from Nashville, Tenn., says: About 200 negroes will leave Nashville in the morning for San Francisco, whence they sail for Honolulu. The negroes are going to work on sugar plantations.

Scotch Steel Industry Suffering.

Glasgow, Dec. 24.—Clyde shipbuilders recently placed orders for 150,000 tons of plates in the United States at a saving of \$50,000. The depression in Scotch steel and iron trades is acute. Fourteen furnaces will be damped at the end of the year. The steel works are talking of closing indefinitely.

Washington Man Dead in Dawson.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 24.—Advices from Dawson state that Elbridge Bartlett, aged 48 years, died there November 25 of pneumonia, after a week's illness. He was from Payallup. He has daughters in Payallup or Tacoma. Bartlett was a member of the Odd Fellows. He had been mining on Hunker, but with only moderate success.

Advance to Raisin Growers.

Fresno, Cal., Dec. 24.—Local bankers have arranged to advance to the Raisin Growers' association \$500,000, as required to fulfill its contracts. Sales have been slow of late, owing to the sluggishness of the Eastern markets. The packers have taken 1,700 carloads of raisins and paid for them. About 500 car loads more have been packed, but there is a dispute between the growers and packers about the grades.

## OREGON STATE NEWS

Items of Interest From All Parts of the State.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL HAPPENINGS

A Brief Review of the Growth and Improvement of the Many Industries Throughout Our Thriving Commonwealth.

Ashland will try to secure several rural mail routes.

The national bank recently organized at Ashland will open February 2.

A co-operative creamery is to be established on the Coquille at Lee.

The Arlington warehouse is said to contain 250,000 bushels of wheat.

Cottage Grove will present a new charter to the legislature for approval.

A cougar which had killed several valuable dogs was shot near Thurston.

The Roseburg marshal has received direction to purchase 100 dog license tags.

H. L. Kyte, of Merlin, was recently granted a patent on an improved type case.

There was five inches of snow on the railroad at the summit of the Siskiyou.

Work has begun on construction of the Corvallis-King's Valley telephone line.

It is probable that a matting plant will be erected at the Iron Dyke early in the spring.

A McMinnville resident has a cat 21 years old which catches rats and mice almost every day.

Material for construction of the Corvallis-King's Valley telephone line has arrived at Corvallis.

Samuel Kunz has been appointed postmaster at Bethany, Or., vice Ulrich Gerber, resigned.

The safety deposit boxes and vault door of the new Canyon City bank have arrived and are in place.

Sheep at Long creek are commanding top prices. As high as \$2.50 per head has been offered for lambs.

J. C. Miller, of Glencoe, brought in the champion turnip of the season, the vegetable weighing 24 1/2 pounds.

R. C. Goodwin, of Wheeler county, has again gone into the sheep business, and has bought 2,000 head near Iree.

J. P. Simpson has about 4,000,000 feet of logs ready to float down the Luckiamute as soon as there is sufficient water for driving.

The local telephone line between Central Point and Eagle Point has been purchased by the Sunset company and connected with the main circuit.

A. E. Starr, a Baker county mining man, disappeared November 14. He left the Mullen cabin, in the Greenhorn district, and has not been heard of since.

The public drinking fountain which will be erected in the city park at Eugene in memory of Company C, Second Oregon volunteers, will arrive about January 1.

M. S. Barnes, proprietor of the Baker City-Cornucopia stage line has made an assignment to P. Basche, of Baker City. It is thought that the creditors will receive payment in full.

The committee on improvement of the McKenzie road has filed its reports. The total expenditures have been \$4,847.95. Collections from all sources for the improvement amount to \$4,819.30.

Judge Burke, who has a bond on the mines at Copper Butte, east of Union, is pushing development work as rapidly as possible. Three shifts are now employed. The showing is said to be excellent.

Hector McDonald shipped a carload of large steers from Elgin. One weighed 1,860 pounds and another 1,960. They were weighed just after being driven over 30 miles of rough muddy roads and had undoubtedly lost over 100 pounds each.

Reduction of 25 tons of ore from the old Butteville Bonanza, now known as the Paul Kruger property, in the Quartzburg district, has just been completed, says the Prairie City Miner. The clean-up was 11 pounds of amalgam, estimated to be worth over \$1,000.

Joe Mayes met with a painful accident at Bonney's wood camp at Wyeth. He was dislodging a jam in the fume when a stick of wood came along unexpectedly and crushed two of his fingers. The index finger on one hand had to be amputated at the first joint, and the middle finger was badly lacerated.

Lincoln county court at its recent session ordered the repairing of the bridge over Depot slough on the Newport-Toledo wagon road, commonly called the "Duncan bridge." The approaches to the bridge are still in fairly good condition, but the span across the stream will be pulled down and replaced.

Link Vanderpool, of Silver creek, Harney county, recently sold 130 yearling heifers to Gilchrist Bros., of Crook county.

It is reported that a great many sheep will be herded this winter in the desert lying south of Wagonire Butte, Harney county. They are now camping at the nearest watering places waiting until the fall of snow will permit them to push into the desert.

Among the number is one band recently driven up from California.

## THE BOERS ARE CHECKED

Such Is the Report of Kitchener From Pretoria—British Surrounding Them.

London, Dec. 26.—The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Pretoria, Dec. 24: "As far as it is possible for me to form an opinion from reports of officers on the spot, I think the Boer movement into Cape Colony has been checked. Of the two forces that entered the colony, the Eastern is still north of the Zoutspansberg range, while the one that entered west appears to have been turned in the direction of Britstown and Prieska. Our troops are getting around both bodies, and a special column is also being organized which will be dispatched immediately when know where its services are most wanted. The Boers have not received much assistance in Cape Colony as far as my information goes. We have armed some of the colonists, who are assisting our forces. Railway and telegraph communication has been much interrupted by the very bad weather.

"Dewet is in the neighborhood of Senekal. General French, in conjunction with General Clements, attacked a force under Beyers south of Magalies' Berg. The Boers broke away in a southwesterly direction towards Potcheestroom, and were followed by General Gordon with a column of French's force. Yesterday evening about 5 o'clock Clements' force was engaged south of Oliphant's Nek, but I do not yet know the result."

A later dispatch from Lord Kitchener dated at Pretoria, says: "The western column of Boers occupied Britstown and cut the railway south of De Aar Junction. The enemy is being followed up. General French has been in contact for two days with the commandoes of Beyers and Delarey, south of the Magalies' Berg. He is pursuing them. The enemy have lost considerably, and Commandant Kreuz and others have been captured. General Colville engaged two separate commandoes December 21 near Vladfontein, with slight losses, the enemy retiring."

## FILIPINOS AND AUTONOMY.

Recently Organized Party Has Been Formally Launched.

Manila, Dec. 26.—The recently organized autonomy party was launched today at a meeting attended by virtually all the loyal Filipino leaders in Manila. The declaration of principles was read and after some discussion adopted by a vote of 123, less than half a dozen declining to vote. All signed an endorsement of the platform, including Senor Paterno, one of the most influential of the former insurgent leaders, whose real attitude toward American authority has been much questioned.

The principal discussion was with reference to the organization of the government of the party. A council of 26 members was elected together with an executive committee, including Senor Arellano, chief justice of the supreme court; Frank H. Bourne, Senor Amrosio Flores, a former insurgent; General Senor Florentino Torres, attorney-general of the Philippines; Senor Jose Near, prosecuting attorney, and Senor Tomas Del Rosario. The smallest number of votes received by any candidate was 80.

Japanese Minister Resigns.

Yokohama, Dec. 26.—Hoshi Tora, minister of communication, and formerly Japanese minister to the United States, has resigned his portfolio in consequence of the persistent