

PACIFIC COAST NEWS

Commercial and Financial Happenings of Interest to the Growing Western States.

New Line Taps Wheat Growing Territory.

The Enid and Tonkawa railroad, the new line which the Rock Island has been building for the past few months in Oklahoma, east from North Enid has been formally opened for traffic.

This new line of railroad is about 26 miles long, and is built through a section of the territory exceptionally rich for wheat growing. Three stations about equal distances apart have been established on the new road and have been named Cropper Garber and Billings.

This line gives promise of being one of the best paying branches of the Rock Island. Within the past few weeks during which time a part of the road has been open for traffic over 50 cars of wheat have been hauled out. At each of the three stations flourishing towns are springing up and elevators and other buildings are being erected as fast as the material can be procured. A few days before the line opened there were 60 carloads of lumber and supplies on a siding at Enid waiting for the completion of the track to be hauled to Billings.

This new railroad is already a favorite with the farmers of the territory through which it passes and they are jubilant over its building.

Fisheries.

Fish Commissioner Little has received partial reports from Puget Sound canneries and places the estimate of the season's pack between 85,000 and 90,000 cases. While the fall pack was disappointing the total exceeded by considerably over 100 per cent the pack of last season and places Puget sound next to Alaska as the greatest salmon canning district of the coast.

Three acres have been bought on the Little Spokane river for a state fish hatchery, and buildings will be erected at once to cost \$2,500. About 10,000,000 "baby" salmon will be shipped to this hatchery from the Cheavumuk hatchery on the Wenatchee.

It is reported that the fish commission deposited 1,000,000 Eastern trout in the Yakima river at Cle Elum a few weeks ago.

Mining Property Sold.

The quickest mining deal ever made in the history of Oregon was closed last week by Mrs. Jacob of Portland, just three days after the bond was given to a Baker City firm. The property sold is the Knapp property, on Rock creek. The purchaser is J. B. Dabney and the price paid was \$75,000. Ground has already been broken for the erection of bunkhouses, blacksmith shop, etc., and two shifts of men working night and day will at once commence sinking the shaft. Work will continue through the winter.

Pacific Coast Chat.

Dawson mail and men from the steamer Anglian have arrived in Skagway.

A lone mounted highwayman held up three men in the outskirts of Walla Walla the other night.

Twenty-two carloads of apples have been shipped from Farmington, in Whitman county, this season.

A fir was cut in a lumber camp near Menlo, Pacific county, Wash., which produced 32,000 feet of fine lumber.

Arthur Huey, who left his home in Walla Walla in July to work in the harvest fields, has not since been heard of.

Farmers in Eastern Washington report that the fall-sown wheat is taller for the season than it has been in the past 30 years.

A literary and social co-operative club is being organized in Tacoma for the study of municipal affairs and social intercourse.

The Pacific sheet metal works at Fairhaven are turning out 135,000 cans a day. Clam cans are now being made for several canneries on the Sound.

Scalps to the number of 393 of wild animals in Lake county, Wash., were presented to the county court during its late session, the regular November term.

The way building is going on in Grants Pass indicates at least that people have much confidence in the permanency of the town, says the Observer of that town.

The Great Northern has ordered 10 more new engines from the Brooks Locomotive Works. They will weigh 182,000 pounds each, with 150,000 pounds on the driving wheels.

The O. R. & N. has completed its cut off from Walla Walla Junction to Grange City, a distance of 66 miles. By this cut off 23 miles is saved on the main line.

The loss on the Aberdeen cannery, which was burned at Fairhaven, has been settled. Mr. Seaborg gets about \$70,000 for the loss of his cannery and stock. He estimates his loss at \$110,000.

Secretary Baldy, of the Whatcom Shingle Manufacturers' Association, reports that 90 per cent of the shingle mills of the county have closed in response to the order of the state association.

With the exception of a small spot opposite the railroad warehouse, Lake Bennett is frozen over at Bennett from the southern end to a point a mile to the north, but the ice at the northern end is not thick.

The people of Ashland, Or., subscribed and paid \$2,155.85 to pay indebtedness of their normal school before it could be decided to the state. All claims were paid, and a balance of \$62.76 was turned over to the regents with the title to the new school.

A dinner-pail brigade working on good salaries makes a town prosperous, a community filled with farmers raising good crops and selling them for fair prices makes the country prosperous. Dallas property-owners see the point, argues the Times-Mountaineer.

The Dallas board of fire regents held a meeting recently and determined to purchase a chemical engine and new hose cart, and to put in an electric alarm system as called for by the board of fire underwriters in order to secure the 10 per cent reduction of insurance

STAPLES REMAIN FIRM.

Much Underlying Strength in the Business Situation.

Bradstreet's says: A striking illustration of the underlying strength of the general business situation is furnished this week by the course of prices. Almost without exception values of staples remain firm at previous quotations or manifest a still further pronounced tendency toward a higher level. This, too, has occurred in the face of a rather smaller distribution than the ordinary trade channels than has been noted in recent weeks. So far as autumn and winter trade is concerned, the complaint of unseasonably mild weather, restricting retail distribution, is reported from many cities.

But rising superior to this and to the unquestionably smaller distribution at first hands, is the accentuated strength of textiles, particularly cotton goods, which reflect some additional strength of the raw product, due to smaller receipts and better foreign advices, but in a large measure also portray the influence of active demand coming on a market exceptionally bare of stocks. A further advance in print cloths, a feature of this week, has brought the quotation for standard grades up to 3 cents, a point not touched for four years past.

Raw wool is higher at all markets on active demand, shared in by the manufactured material.

Wheat, including flour, shipments for the week aggregate 3,688,677 bushels, against 4,540,007 bushels last week, and 5,824,726 bushels in 1898. Since July 1 this season, the exports of wheat aggregate 85,468,546 bushels, against 89,124,083 bushels last year and 101,433,679 bushels in 1897.

Business failures in the Dominion of Canada for the week number 38, as compared with 19 last week, 27 in this week a year ago, 34 in 1898 and 52 in 1895.

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

Seattle Markets.

Onions, new, \$1.00 @ 1.25 per sack. Potatoes, new, \$1.00 @ 1.25 per sack. Beans, per sack, 75c. Turnips, per sack, 60c. Carrots, per sack, 75c. Parsnips, per sack, 90c. Cauliflower, 75c per dozen. Cabbage, native and California, 75 @ 90c per 100 pounds. Peaches, 65 @ 80c. Apples, \$1.25 @ 1.50 per box. Pears, \$1.00 @ 1.25 per box. Prunes, 60c per box. Watermelons, \$1.50. Nuts, 50 @ 75c.

Butter—Creamery, 30c per pound;

dairy, 17 @ 22c; ranch, 20c per pound.

Eggs—Firm, 33 @ 35c.

Cheese—Native, 13 @ 14c.

Poultry—9 @ 10c; dressed, 11 @ 12c.

Hay—Puget Sound timothy, \$12.00; choice Eastern Washington timothy, \$17.00 @ 18.00.

Corn—Whole, \$23.00; cracked, \$22; feed meal, \$23.

Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, \$21; whole, \$22.

Flour—Patent, per barrel, \$3.65; blended straight, \$3.10; California, \$3.25; buckwheat flour, \$3.50; graham, per barrel, \$2.90; whole wheat flour, \$3.00; rye flour, \$3.75.

Millstuffs—Bran, per ton, \$16.00; shorts, per ton, \$17.00.

Feed—Chopped feed, \$20.50 per ton; middlings, per ton, \$22; oil cake meal, per ton, \$35.00.

Portland Market.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 50 @ 52c; Valley, 51c; Bluestem, 52c per bushel.

Flour—Best grades, \$3.00; graham, \$2.50; superfine, \$2.15 per barrel.

Oats—Choice white, 34 @ 36c; choice gray, 33 @ 35c per bushel.

Barley—Feed barley, \$16 @ 16.50; brewing, \$18.00 @ 19.00 per ton.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$17 per ton; middlings, \$22; shorts, \$18; chop, \$16 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, \$9 @ 11; clover, \$7 @ 8; Oregon wild hay, \$6 @ 7 per ton.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 50 @ 55c; seconds, 42 @ 45c; dairy, 37 @ 40c; store, 25 @ 30c.

Eggs—27 @ 30c per dozen.

Cheese—Oregon full cream, 13c; Young America, 14c; new cheese 10c per pound.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$3.00 @ 3.50 per dozen; hens, \$4.50; springs, \$2.00 @ 3.50; geese, \$7.00 @ 8.50 for old; \$4.50 @ 6.50 for young; ducks, \$4.50 per dozen; turkeys, live, 14 @ 15c per pound.

Potatoes—50 @ 60c per sack; sweets, 2 @ 2 1/2c per pound.

Vegetables—Beets, \$1; turnips, 90c; per sack; garlic, 7c per pound; cauliflower, 75c per dozen; parsnips, \$1; beans, 5 @ 6c per pound; celery, 70 @ 75c per dozen; cucumbers, 50c per box; peas, 3 @ 4c per pound; tomatoes, 75c per box; green corn, 12 @ 15c per dozen.

Hops—7 @ 10c; 1898 crop, 5 @ 6c.

Wool—Valley, 12 @ 13c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 8 @ 14c; mohair, 27 @ 30c per pound.

Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 3 @ 3c; dressed mutton, 6 @ 7c per pound; lambs, 7 @ 8c per pound.

Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, \$5.00; light and feeders, \$4.50; dressed, \$5.50 @ 6.00 per 100 pounds.

Beef—Gross, top steers, \$3.50 @ 4.00; cows, \$3 @ 3.50; dressed beef, 6 @ 7 1/2c per pound.

Veal—Large, 6 @ 7 1/2c; small, 8 @ 8 1/2c per pound.

San Francisco Market.

Wool—Spring—Nevada, 12 @ 15c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 12 @ 16c; Valley, 18 @ 20c; Northern, 10 @ 12c.

Hops—1898 crop, 11 @ 12c per pound.

Onions—Yellow, 75 @ 85c per sack.

Butter—Fancy creamery 24 @ 25c; do seconds, 23 @ 24c; fancy dairy, 21 @ 22c; do seconds, 19 @ 20c per pound.

Eggs—Store, 42 @ 43c; fancy ranch, 40c.

Millstuffs—Middlings, \$17.50 @ 20.50; bran, \$15.50 @ 16.50.

Hay—Wheat \$7.50 @ 10; wheat and oat \$7.50 @ 9.50; best barley \$5.00 @ 7.50; alfalfa, \$5.00 @ 7.00 per ton; straw, 35 @ 45c per bale.

Potatoes—Early Rose, 40 @ 50c; Oregon Burbanks, 60c @ 1.10; river Burbanks, 45 @ 65c; Salinas Burbanks, \$1.00 @ 1.25 per sack.

Citrus Fruit—Oranges, Valencia, \$3.75 @ 3.25; Mexican limes, \$4.00 @ 5.00; California lemons 75c @ \$1.50; do choice \$1.75 @ 2.00 per box.

Tropical Fruits—Bananas, \$1.50 @ 2.50 per bunch; pineapples, nominal; Persian dates, 6 @ 6 1/2c per

ADMONISHING CHILDREN.

Reproof and Advice Must Be Sugar-Coated to Be Heeded.

"The universal frailty of our human nature which dislikes to be told of faults must be taken into consideration when we converse with our grown-up children," writes Kate Upson Clark in the Woman's Home Companion. "After they pass the age of fourteen or fifteen they usually betray a greater sensitiveness than before to even reasonable fault-finding. By the time they reach eighteen or twenty this tendency has become a marked trait. They have then become substantially like the rest of us. Even from the lips of loving fathers or mothers and in strict privacy they want nothing but the same sort of honey on which our own souls love to feed. They wish no allusion made to the facts that they are acquiring nasal tones; that their gait is awkward; that their taste in dress is unformed and even bad; that they have not good judgment in choosing associates, and so on. Private discourses upon the wiles of the world and the weakness of youth and its proneness to wander they wish none of. Whatever medicine of that sort is to be given must be administered in small doses, interjected with skill into conversations upon ordinary matters, and sugar-coated, if possible, with artful compliment, though it should be always deserved. Even the best and dearest of our carefully-brought-up young people are likely to have their year or more of obstinacy and 'pig-headedness,' or their permanent streaks of unreasonableness and contumacy. Therefore, they would better receive most of the telling strokes that mold into shape before they reach the age of fourteen. From that time up to the age of what is called 'discretion,' which does not arrive with most of us before twenty-five (if then), the youth, in judgment and sense, is really not much superior to what he was at from seven to fifteen, but he has no suspicion of this fact."

Business Girls.

I do not mean a girl who has gone into some trade or profession, for the most domestic "home bird" of my girl readers may be one. Indeed, if she helps to carry out her daily duties successfully she must do her utmost to become a "business girl" in my sense of the word. And when, in course of time, she passes to a home of her own, she will be at no loss in taking up her position as housekeeper and mistress. She will win the respect of those in her employ by showing them that she understands how she should be served, and that while comfort is absolutely required, no extravagance will be allowed. She will cause her husband's love for her to increase by showing him how truly his interest is hers by bringing into play her knowledge of "how to spend and how to save." To make home uncomfortable by mean, unnecessary savings is no real economy, but to plan with loving thought how to make every dollar yield its true value is housekeeping in its best sense, for such a "business girl" will make a small income go further and give more real happiness and comfort than would one of double and treble the amount in inexperienced hands. But to make my girl reader a complete business one of the type which I write, she must also learn how to conduct her charities. Giving indiscriminately without inquiry or thought, is often more productive of evil than good, and she must be as wise over the spending of the portion allotted "to help others," and give as thorough consideration to it as she does to what she puts apart for her personal concerns.

Age and Marriage.

A woman's prospect of marriage is distinctly affected by age. The statistics of all countries show that the great majority of women marry between the ages of 20 and 30. Before reaching 20 a woman has, of course, a chance of matrimony, but the objections raised by parents or friends to marriage at a tender age frequently outweigh the desire of the young woman to acquire a husband, and lead her to defer the wedding day.

All the statistics that have been gathered bear out the statement that a woman's best chance to marry is at the age of 25, that over six-tenths of the marriages take place between 20 and 30, and consequently that a woman's chance increases up to 25, and steadily decreases after that age until it reaches the vanishing point somewhere about 60.

Out of 1,000 married women 146 marry before the age of 20, 680 between 20 and 30, 111 between 30 and 40, the woman in the thirties having not so good a chance as the girl in her teens; between the ages of 40 and 50 the falling off is enormous, only 41 in 1,000 contracting an alliance in that decade, while past 50 the chances still further diminish, for the woman who has celebrated the semi-centennial of her birth has only nineteen chances in a thousand.

Reasonable.

The reasons for orthodoxy are among the things which pass man's understanding. Some explanations, however, have a plausible sound.

A minister was recently called upon to marry a couple in private, and had occasion to ask how the name of one of the witnesses was spelled.

"M-e-l-l-u-g-h," replied the man.

"Haven't you a sister Margaret?" inquired the clergyman.

"Yes, sir."

"Well," said the minister, "she spells her name, 'M-e-l-l-u-g-h.'"

"That," said the witness, "is because my sister and me, we went to different schools."

Accidents with Lamps.

Any table on which lamps are placed should be of firm construction, large top, and of sufficient weight at the base not to tip easily or jar when touched. A great many so-called accidents with lamps are caused by placing them on light, rickety tables.

In every newspaper society department conducted by women there appears once a week, and sometimes twice, the following item: "A man never realizes what a prize he willfully threw away until some other fellow gets her."

When a small boy wants a match with which to light a cigarette, he prefixes his request for one with the word "please." He then goes home and says: "Please the butter?"

"Do It and Stick to It."

If you are sick and discouraged with impure blood, catarrh or rheumatism, take Hood's Sarsaparilla faithfully and persistently, and you will soon have a cure. This medicine has cured thousands of others and it will do the same for you. Faithfully taken, Hood's Sarsaparilla Never Disappoints.

In Canada the Grand Trunk is reported to have called in several of its traveling freight agents owing to the fact that they cannot secure cars for the tremendous rush of business offering.

The 50 factories of Kokomo, Ind., now using natural gas as fuel are filling up their cellars and sheds with wood and coal for use in case the gas gives out. There has been no coal in that town for 12 years until a few days ago.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

An hour of careful thinking is worth more than ten of careless talking.

I never used so quick a cure as Fisco's Cure for Consumption.—J. R. Palmer, Box 1171, Seattle, Wash., Nov. 25, 1898.

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VITALITY low, debilitated or exhausted cured by Dr. Kline's Invigorating Tonic. FLEET Trial Bottle containing 2 weeks' treatment. Dr. Kline's Institute, 303 Arch St., Philadelphia. Founded 1874.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

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Allen's Foot-Powder, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting, nervous feet, and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Powder makes tight or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for Ingrowing Nails, sweating, callous and hot, tired, aching feet. We have over 30,000 testimonials. Try it today. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores. By mail for 25c in stamps. Trial package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

A striking evidence of the scarcity of workmen is a great placard which has been hung out in front of the post-office, Ottawa, Canada, by one of the lumber companies asking for 1,000 laborers and 300 shantymen.

When hat is wet with rain it should be dried with a silk handkerchief, brushed with a soft brush and when it is nearly dry with a harder brush.

The Waiter Knew 'Em.

A downtown restaurant was in the turmoil of the busy dinner hour. Careworn business men rushed in and swallowed a lunch as though millions depended on their haste. Waiters balanced steaming platters on the tips of their little fingers with the ease of Japanese jugglers, and everything seemed confusion. Yet there was a certain degree of discipline among the waiters and they seemed to know their customers and their usual choice of dishes. For instance, when a pair of lanterns entered, the waiter that listened to the order yelled to the cook: "Two soups and a Ham-o-let!"—Detroit Free Press.

Electricity for Brain.

A scientist has discovered an apparatus which will stimulate the brain. It consists of an electric band. While scientists have been inventing unnatural ways of making the brain work, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has for fifty years been doing it naturally. It cures dyspepsia and all stomach troubles and builds up the system.

Out of 1,100,000 in Massachusetts engaged in gainful occupations, only 37,000 are employed on Sundays.

HOW'S THIS?

We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CLEGG & CO., Props, Toledo, O. We have never known a case of Catarrh cured by any other remedy. Write at once to J. C. Hooper, 251 Washington St., Portland, Or., or to W. H. Heintz, Acting General Passenger Agent, Salt Lake City, for a copy of "Salt Lake City—the City of the Saints."

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Here the sun shines 337 days of the average year, and it blends with the crisp, electric mountain air to produce a climate matchless in the known world. No pen can portray, no brush can picture the majestic grandeur of the scenery along the line of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad in Colorado.

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For the turn of the stairs, that ugly place in the old city houses, tall silver taper holders of Russian workmanship or the old Dutch candlesticks four feet high will be found effective adjuncts.

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