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## NEWS OF THE WEEK

From All Parts of the New World and the Old.

OF INTEREST TO OUR MANY READERS

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week in a Condensed Form.

Hay may resign if the canal treaty is amended.

Lord Roberts was given an ovation at Cape Town.

The United States wants Chiriqui for a coaling station.

There is little change in the Santa Fe strike situation.

Charles A. Towne was sworn in as senator from Minnesota.

The house passed the legislative, executive and judicial bill.

The tension between Holland and Portugal is increasing.

Benjamin Wise was held at Salem, Or., for arson at Silverton.

A house Republican caucus decided to stand by the war-tax bill.

The sultan of Turkey dined officers of the battle-ship Kentucky.

Von Bulow explained why Emperor William would not receive Kruger.

Erection of poles and wires for another lighting system began in Salem, Or.

Four men were killed by an explosion in the Union Pacific tunnel at Aspen.

Attacks on Salisbury and Chamberlain were made in the British house of commons.

Only \$600,000 can be obtained from this session of congress for the Columbia jetty.

The Oregon supreme court upholds the street improvement section of the Portland city charter.

The Idaho supreme court decides that patented mining property is to be regarded the same as other realty for purposes of taxation.

The Austrian corvette Donau has arrived at Lima, Peru, bringing Bela Bakowegh, commissioner of the Austrian government, who is visiting the consulates of South America.

A special from Shanghai announces that Li Hung Chang's Manchurian secretary, Yoko, has been arrested by order of Field Marshal Count von Waldersee, on the charge of communicating with the Boers.

The third annual cowboy and Indian carnival opened in Phoenix, Arizona, with a great parade of vaqueros, rodeo men and Chinese. After the parade, in a wild dash through the streets, an Indian was thrown from his horse and badly trampled under foot.

Germans are still excited over the Kruger incident.

The Oregon school fund loses an average of \$40,000 a year.

The river and harbor committee is cutting down all estimates.

The Philippine commission has prepared a tariff for the islands.

The execution of Yu Hsien is certain whenever envoys demand it.

The Chinese question is again said to be approaching a settlement.

Fifty-two Filipino prisoners have been taken by American troops.

Eulogies were pronounced in the house on the late Representative Harmer.

Russia says all credit for securing existing entente belongs to United States.

Johannesburg will be fenced around with barb wire to cut off Boers' food supply.

United States Consul Goodnow, at Shanghai, will return home on leave of absence.

Netherlands disavows responsibility for sympathetic letter of minister to Kruger.

Senate will devote the present week to Hay-Pauncefote treaty and ship subsidy bill.

The naval appropriation bill will provide for two more battleships and two cruisers.

Delegate Wilcox, of Hawaii, strongly opposes importation of negro labor into the islands.

Envoys take removal of General Tung Fu Hsiang to mean that government desires peace.

Establishment of ship subsidy bill as regular order will displace Nicaragua canal measure.

Bills for the reduction of war revenue tax and legislative appropriations will likely pass the house this week.

Robert W. Wilcox, Hawaii's delegate to congress, has arrived in San Francisco en route to Washington.

Wilcox was officially received by Queen Liliuokalani. The queen has been showing her friendship when the moment arrives.

Members were chosen to sit in the new legislature at the recent election.

Stanley has resigned as chairman of the Republican executive committee after a service of 16 years.

Cutting machinery is rapidly doing hand work and other varieties of mechanical mining appliances are being used by Great Britain and the United States.

## LATER NEWS.

The powers have agreed to the joint note.

The Japanese gave Admiral Boardley a reception.

Chicago police will prevent the Gans-McGovern fight.

Santa Fe strikers wish their differences arbitrated.

Five persons were killed in a train wreck in Montana.

Fire in Pekin destroyed the quarters of a number of officers.

Kitchener reports a running fight between Dewet and Knox.

Gompers will be re-elected president of the Federation of Labor.

The Santa Fe repudiates its relations with the telegraphers' union.

The American fleet in North China waters is reduced to two vessels.

The Irish Nationalist convention declared for the abolition of landlordism.

Washington's centennial anniversary was celebrated with imposing ceremonies.

Full particulars have been received of the typhoon which recently swept the coast of China, causing a heavy loss to life and shipping.

There are more than 40 cases of smallpox in St. George's hospital, Kansas City. Only one death from the disease has occurred.

The city election at Astoria, resulted in a sweeping victory for the Citizens' ticket, every candidate being elected by large majorities.

The dock laborers at Callao, Peru, have gone on a strike, and all work has been stopped. As yet there has been no breach of the peace.

Joseph Benoit, a stage carpenter at the Grand Opera house, Salem, Or., fell from a scaffold, breaking several ribs and bruising his face and body badly. The accident was caused by the breaking of a board upon which he was standing.

The Lakeview and Ager stage was robbed about two miles from Lakeview, Or. A lone highwayman accomplished the job. No passengers were aboard of the stage. Two mail sacks were rifled and a considerable amount of registered mail taken. Officers are now working on the case.

The will of the late Senator Davis, who died November 27, was filed for probate by Mrs. Anna M. Davis, the widow. The will, made during the senator's last illness, leaves all his estate to Mrs. Davis. The estate is valued at \$75,000 in personal and \$40,000 in real property.

Affairs at Guam are in better shape.

Lord Roberts has left the Cape for England.

Holland refuses to intervene in the Boer war.

Senator Clay spoke against the ship subsidy bill.

French troops have ceased looting Chinese observatories.

Li Hung Chang claims to have absolute power to negotiate.

Chaffee protested to Von Waldersee against German looting.

The debate on the war tax reduction bill began in the house.

The house of commons voted \$16,000,000 to carry on the Boer war.

The Hay-Pauncefote treaty was again considered in executive session.

A congressional committee was appointed to investigate the Boer hazing.

The Philippine commission gave merchants a hearing on the tariff bill.

A \$50,000 irrigation ditch will be constructed at once in Moxee valley, Washington.

Oregon delegation decides upon continuing contract for Columbia river improvement.

State Superintendent Ackerman recommends that Oregon schools observe John Marshall day.

The matter of developing Lower Nehalem coal is said to have been considered in New York.

In his annual report, Fish Commissioner Reid says value of fish output for Oregon is over \$3,000,000.

A number of persons suspected of plotting to murder Lord Roberts during his visit to Cape Colony recently, abandoned their schemes on learning that they were shadowed.

Outlawry in Kwang Si and Kwang Tung is increasing. The officials appear to be losing their hold of the situation and are powerless to restore order. Pirating on the West river is increasing.

Owing to a lack of proper facilities in the way of telegraph, caused by the strike, a serious collision occurred on the Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe, in which several persons were probably fatally injured.

Cornelius L. Alvord, Jr., ex-note taker of the First National bank of New York, accused of having embezzled \$600,000 from that institution, was indicted by the United States grand jury. The indictment was found on 51 counts charging Alvord with falsifying the accounts of the bank and unlawfully appropriating to his own use nearly \$700,000 of the bank's money.

Prairie chickens are said to be more abundant in western Kansas than for years.

During the past five years the state of Pennsylvania has purchased more than 100,000 acres of land to be issued as a forestry reservation.

Former Ambassador to Italy W. F. Draper has been decorated with the order of St. Maurice and Cazal by the king of Italy, for services during his embassy to Rome.

## HIS LAST HOPE GONE

Kruger Gets No Consolation From The Netherlands.

HOLLAND WILL NOT INTERVENE EITHER

The Dutch Foreign Minister Tells the Ex-President that the Role of His Government Must Be Passive.

The Hague, Dec. 13.—The Dutch government today finally and definitely refused to take the initiative in behalf of arbitration between the Transvaal and Great Britain.

The decision was communicated in an interview between Mr. Kruger and Dr. Leyds on one side and the Dutch foreign minister and Minister of Finance N. B. Pierson, on the other.

Mr. Kruger explained that the object of his journey was to discontinue the idea of arbitration, and the Dutch minister replied that the role of the Netherlands must be passive. The initiative belonged to the great powers, he added. When the powers had reached a decision, the Dutch government might see what it could do.

No Snub Yet From Czar.

The Hague, Dec. 13.—The Transvaal legation says it is authorized to contradict the report that Emperor Nicholas has telegraphed to Mr. Kruger an intimation that he will not receive him.

## DECIDE ON COURSE.

How the Oregon Delegation Would Improve the Columbia.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The three members of the Oregon delegation, at an informal meeting today, decided to concentrate their efforts to have the improvement of the mouth of the Columbia made a continuing contract rather than trust to the future to see expedient as needed. By this method, which seems to be the best under the circumstances, the final completion of the project is insured, and work may be conducted without unnecessary delay.

The river and harbor committee has not yet finally decided on what provision will be made for this project, but \$600,000, recommended by the engineers, is the outside limit.

## OFFICERS WERE LAX.

Prisoner Quietly Arose and Walked Out of the Courtroom.

Spokane, Dec. 13.—While Judge Marshall was holding a preliminary hearing of Edward Hanson, charged with counterfeiting, this afternoon the prisoner quietly arose and sneaked out of the courtroom. Owing to the small courtroom being crowded, the escape was not noticed until the judge turned to announce that the prisoner would be held to a higher court. Officers started in pursuit of Hanson, who was trekking for the river. A few shots from revolvers and he gave himself up.

The escape was the boldest ever known in the city. Hanson is one of a trio recently arrested with bogus money in their possession. Search of their cabin resulted in finding of molds and other tools.

## Credentials Refused.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The senate has refused the credentials of W. A. Clark and Maginnis, contesting senators from the state of Montana, to the committee on privileges and elections.

A debate, reopening the Clark case, occurred upon the motion of Senator Chandler to recommit the resolution declaring the seat from Montana vacant. After a short but interesting debate, the matter of recommitment, by consent, went over to Thursday.

## Counterfeiter Captured.

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 13.—Edmund Hansen, alias H. Larkoe, believed to be the leader of the gang of counterfeiters operating here, has been captured. Hansen was a bridge watchman for the Great Northern. In his shack were found counterfeiters' molds and letters ordering gold and silver bullion. Near by in a cache in the rocks many stolen articles were found. Hansen protests complete ignorance.

## Saloons Were Open Sunday.

Chehalis, Wash., Dec. 13.—Four Chehalis saloonkeepers pleaded guilty in the superior court to the charge of keeping their places open Sunday. Two Centralia men have been convicted. All were fined \$30 apiece, and all other cases of that nature now pending against them were dropped.

## Passed Raised Bills.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 13.—Two Japanese, Hanny Sato and Mantoka Hamaguchi, were arrested this morning, charged with uttering raised bills. A number of raised bills have been in circulation here, in each case the utterer, a Japanese, claiming that he was the innocent recipient of the raised notes from a fellow-countryman.

## Dewet and Knox Still Fighting.

London, Dec. 13.—The Evening Standard says that the battle between General Knox and General Dewet continues, and that the forces exchanged ground incessantly. Lack of definite information is said to be due to the absence of telegraphic communication since the scene of action. While the war office is most reticent on the subject, there are indications that the officials have received news suggesting considerable British success.

## LIVESTOCK MEN FORM ORDER

It is Called the Oregon Stock-Breeders' Association—Permanent Officers Elected.

Portland, Dec. 13.—The Oregon Stock-Breeders' Association was permanently organized this morning in the Hamilton block by the election of the following officers: Richard Scott, president; George Chandler, vice-president; Charles Cleveland, treasurer; and M. D. Wisdom, secretary. A committee consisting of Messrs. Cleveland, Wisdom and Early were appointed to arrange by-laws and a constitution, and report back to the 3 o'clock session this afternoon.

It is the purpose of the organization to include under the one head all the different breeds of livestock, in order to make the state organization a powerful factor in forwarding the interests of livestock men and breeders in all classes.

The meeting was called to order this morning by Richard Scott, of Milwaukie. Others present at the time were George Chandler, of Baker City; H. West, of Seapooze; J. B. Early, of Salem; Charles Cleveland, of Gresham; J. W. Bailey, of Portland; H. Starr, of Dayton; M. D. Wisdom, of Portland; A. D. Gribble, of Macksburg; W. W. J. McCord, of Oregon City; and F. J. Painter, of Clackamas. Mr. Scott was elected temporary chairman and Mr. Wisdom temporary secretary. As briefly as possible, Mr. Scott stated the objects of the meeting, as already outlined. The temporary officers were then made permanent, and the other necessary officers elected.

It is hardly probable that all the business will be finished this afternoon, as it will take some time to read over the constitution and by-laws before adopting them.

## CHAFFEE WAS MAD.

Called Field Marshal Von Waldersee Down for German Looting.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The war department has received a report from General Chaffee of the incident that occurred in Pekin in connection with his representations to Field Marshal Von Waldersee. It appears that General Chaffee did use some pretty vigorous language in protesting against the looting and looting of the foreign troops. What particularly hurt the feelings of Waldersee was a pointed reference by General Chaffee to the fact that this disgraceful and unmilitary practice of looting was being indulged in, not by the men who did the fighting and opened the way to Pekin, but by the looters, who had borne none of the brunt of conflict and hardship. Waldersee himself did not reach Pekin until long after the expeditionary force had occupied the town.

It is recognized here officially that General Chaffee had provoked for his deliverance, but regret is felt that he used this tone in addressing the field marshal. It is significantly pointed out here that perhaps it was not incumbent upon General Chaffee to make any representations whatever on this subject to the field marshal, as there is no longer any official tie between them. When the United States government changed the character of its military force in Pekin from an expeditionary force to a mere legation guard, of course the general no longer came under the control of the commander-in-chief at Pekin, but was simply a part of Minister Conger's official household.

## Bone of Prehistoric Animal.

Oregon City, Dec. 13.—An employee of the Willamette paper mills found a femur bone, evidently belonging to some prehistoric animal, that is now on exhibition in the office of the company. The bone was discovered in a timbered gulch about 15 miles from here, on the west side of the Willamette river, partially embedded in the dirt. The bone is 2 feet 10 inches in length, and about 32 inches in circumference where the femur is the thickest. The relic is in a good state of preservation, although parts are worn off by abrasion and probable exposure to the air. Search is being made for the remainder of the bones of the supposed extinct animal.

## Disastrous Collision in Kansas.

Kansas City, Dec. 13.—A special to the Star from Olathe, Kan., says that a northbound passenger train on the Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe railway crashed into the rear end of a northbound freight train, at Clare, three miles south of this city, at 6 o'clock this morning. Noble Thomas, aged 16 years, of Emporia, Kan., was burned to death in the caboose; Thomas' father was badly mangled. The engineer and fireman of the passenger train were seriously injured, and half a dozen passengers in the caboose were slightly hurt.

## To Operate Cannery in Alaska.

Astoria, Dec. 13.—The American Packing & Canning Company has been formed in this city with an authorized capital of \$75,000, and a large portion of this has already been subscribed for. The object of the company is to operate a salmon cannery at some point in Alaska, but exactly where it is kept secret for the present.

## North Dakota's Vote.

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 13.—The state canvassing board today announced the vote on presidential electors as follows: McKinley, 35,891; Bryan, 20,519; Woolley, 731; Debs, 518; Barker, 10.

## For Ambassador to Italy.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The president today sent to the senate the name of George von L. Meyer, of Massachusetts, to be ambassador of the United States to Italy.

## WILL VISIT EUROPE

Steyn Is Going North to Help Oom Paul.

GENERAL BOTHA MAKES ANNOUNCEMENT

Schalkenberger Sworn In as Acting State President—Rumor in London of a Serious Defeat to British Arms.

New York, Dec. 15.—A dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser from Amsterdam says:

The following proclamation by General Louis Botha has been received:

"Whereas, I have been informed that the enemy circulates all sorts of wrong and lying reports among the burghers about the government and myself, our officers and officials are charged to communicate the following information to the general public:

The executive council, after consulting the president of the Orange Free State, has decided in the interests of our cause to give leave of absence to our state president, with orders to go immediately to Europe in order to assist our deputation there in the work they have before them. Vice-President Schalkenberger has been sworn in, according to law, and is now acting as state president. He is now assisted by the executive council, Lucas Meyer and myself, and other officials, in short, our government exists in the same way as before and is now in my immediate neighborhood and in direct communication with me.

"Let the blood of our brave dead always be a strong voice in every burgher to fight for liberty. We have nothing left to lose, but everything to win. The government is most firmly decided to continue the struggle. I am convinced the burghers will applaud this decision and act accordingly until the end. Burghers are warned against the fine words used by the enemy to deceive them and to make them put down their arms, because, according to the proclamation of Roberts, they will all be transported to St. Helena or Ceylon as prisoners of war. Our cause, however, precarious, is not hopeless if every burgher only does his duty. The Lord is sure to give a blessed end in his own time and in his own way."

## ROBBED THE MAIL CAR.

Postal Clerk on the Cotton Belt Railroad Line Was Nearly Killed.

Texarkana, Ark., Dec. 15.—A bold robbery on the Cotton Belt railroad occurred today at Bassetts, Tex., 30 miles south of Texarkana, on the train coming north, in which Postal Clerk John H. Dennis was almost killed and mail pouches of the car rifled of their contents. The amount stolen is not known. As the train left the Bassetts water tank at 6 A. M., the express and mail cars were separated from the train, but the train crew soon had them coupled again. In the run from there to Texarkana, the coaches were uncoupled twice in a very mysterious manner. Upon the arrival of the train here the United States transfer clerk went to the door of the mail car and knocked for the postal clerk to open it. No response was given. Officials then forced an entrance and were astonished to find Clerk Dennis stretched upon the floor, apparently dead. A hurried examination showed that the registered pouches had been ripped open and robbed of their contents, the most valuable of which was the Wayne Memphis pouch, containing a large number of valuable packages. A physician was sent for and it was found that Dennis was alive but unconscious. An angry wound on the top of his head told the story. Two hours after he was taken to the hospital he revived enough to give the details of the robbery.

Just as the train parted at Bassetts tank, Dennis went into the vestibule of the mail car to stir up the fire. When he opened the vestibule door he saw two men standing by the stove. One of them dealt him a terrible blow over the head with a heavy fire shovel. The first blow felled him and he was then quickly beaten into a senseless condition. Word reached here at noon that two suspects have been arrested at Naples, near the scene of the robbery, but none of the stolen packages was found.

## American Arrested in Cape Colony.

London, Dec. 15.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail reports the arrest at Worcester, Cape Colony, of Harold Darrington, alleged to be an American, on a charge of fomenting an Afrikaner rebellion. "The arrest," says the dispatch, "has made a great sensation, and startling disclosures are promised."

## Held Up a Box Office.

St. Louis City, Mo., Dec. 15.—During the performance of "Shore Acres" in the Grand Opera house in this city tonight, two masked men entered the box office, assaulted, beat and shot the treasurer, Harley S. Rounds, and escaped without getting any cash.

## Rumor of British Defeat.

London, Dec. 15.—The Daily Express publishes a rumor of a serious disaster to the British arms. According to this report, the Boers attacked the camp of General Clements, in the Barberton district, capturing the camp, killing a number of British officers, and taking prisoners all the British troops, including four companies of the Northumberland fusiliers. The story is not confirmed in any quarter, and is not generally believed.

## New Gold Field Discovered.

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 13.—A special to the Chronicle from Nelson, Wash., brings news of a stamped up Fourth of July creek, a branch of the Kettle river. Shot gold has been discovered with ground running \$10 to the cubic yard. Diggings in that vicinity have been secretly worked by George Arnett, an old miner, for three or four years. It is estimated that he has cleaned up \$10,000.

## HONG KONG TYPHOON.

Particulars of a Great Storm in South China—Loss of Life Heavy.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 14.—The steamer Empress of India, which arrived today after a stormy passage, brought news of the great typhoon which ravaged Hong Kong, November 10, causing a heavy loss of life and shipping. The British gunboat Sandpiper foundered and some of her seamen were lost. The American ship Benjamin Sewell went ashore, and in all 77 steam launches were wrecked, and over 200 natives drowned. At Kowloon and other points there was also very heavy loss. The Empress of India was at her wharf at Kowloon and she was badly shaken.

The troops fared very badly. The temporary barracks collapsed completely and the Indian and European troops had to seek refuge wherever they could. In Kowloon proper a number of houses were blown down, others lost their roofs and were otherwise damaged. A new stone block near the torpedo depot was practically laid in ruins. The whole upper part was blown down, as was also the upper story of the telegraph exchange at Kowloon.

Of the British warships anchored at Kowloon the gunboats Warren, Firebrand, Tweed and Sandpiper were dragging their anchors. Those on shore could do nothing but stand by with buoys and lines to render assistance should the vessels drift ashore. The vessels fired distress signals and one or two flew their pennants at half-mast. The gunboat Sandpiper was in the worst fix, as she was rapidly sinking. Then from Hong Kong came the Otter, the crew of which at great risk rescued the whole crew with the exception of one man.

At daylight Saturday the powerful dredger Canton River, which recently arrived here from Paisley, almost without any warning listed to port and capsized. As to the precise number of those on board at the time it is impossible to give any accurate figures. Those in authority at the dockyard extension office say that 50 would be about the number. It is known that Captain Scott, who was in command of her, was aboard, also Chief Engineer White, Second Engineer Thompson, Carpenter Melroy and the majority of the crew. The men clung to the upturned vessel, where they were seen, and 12 were rescued by boats from the steamers Tamar and Astrea. The Benjamin Sewell went ashore opposite the arsenal yard but got off, though leaking badly.

Several buildings collapsed at Queen's road, killing eight Chinese and injuring eight. Westward, at Kennedy town, great damage was also caused, and at Kowloon numberless sampans were wrecked. Here P. C. Duncan, of the navy yard police, lost his life in a gallant attempt to rescue two sampan women whose boat was dashed to pieces against the embankment at the naval depot. Duncan was an old Ninety-ninth Argyle and Sutherland Highlander, and had been away from home since 1896.

## WRECK IN MONTANA.

Five Passengers Were Killed in a Great Northern Accident.

Great Falls, Mont., Dec. 14.—Great Northern passenger train No. 3, westbound, was wrecked about 4 o'clock this morning near Brockton, 81 miles east of Glasgow. Five passengers are reported killed and many injured. The cause of the wreck is said to have been a broken rail. Railroad officials here claim not to have any information of the accident.

Later information states that the train was running about 45 miles an hour, making up lost time, when a truck broke down while passing a switch. The engine and three cars passed over in safety, but the next four pitched over an embankment. Three sleepers remained on the rails. The bodies have been taken to Glasgow, where the inquests will be held.

## Tortured by Small Boys.

San Jose, Cal., Dec. 14.—Alfred Kern, a 10-year-old boy, was caught by three young boys this afternoon as he was on his way home from a kindergarten school and subjected to a terrible torture with burning matches. His face was burned almost beyond recognition, and his condition is regarded as serious. The police are searching for his assailants, who have thus far succeeded in escaping.

## Pioneer Telegrapher Dead.

New York, Dec. 14.—Robert L. Tige, who established the first telegraphic system in South America, is dead at his home here. He was born in Dublin. At the outbreak of the civil war he enlisted in the Fortieth New York regiment. In 1866 he entered the employ of Adrain C. Morse and went to Chile and Peru, where he established telegraphic systems. For 18 years he had resided in this city.

## King Milan to Marry Again.

London, Dec. 14.—The Vienna correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says a rumor is in circulation in the Austrian capital that ex-King Milan is about to become engaged to Miss Atzel, an American heiress.

## OREGON STATE NEWS

Items of Interest From All Parts of the State.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL HAPPENINGS

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

Elmira has a football team.

John Day has three smallpox cases. A telephone line from Huntington to Burns is projected.

The sheriff of Grant county collected \$9,418.40 in November.

An organ has been purchased for the Gold Hill school house.

The Corvallis creamery is paying 25 cents per pound for butter fat.

J. J. Fitzgerald, of Shelburne, has a contract for 20,000 fence rails.

The McDonald & Fisher sawmill at Sammamish is in running order.

Repairs to the Blanchard bridge east of Aurora were finished last week.

The Clerks' union, of Pendleton, has organized with nearly 100 members.

The Enterprise council has passed acts against bawdy houses and vagrancy.

A breakwater is being built at Eugene at the east side of the bridge over the Willamette.

Malheur county has accepted the new bridge across Succor creek below Barney Malloy's place.

Lincoln county has allowed M. D. Welton \$500 on his claim for damages sustained from the collapse of Little Elk bridge.

The body of young Hays, who was drowned November 2, eight miles above Dallas, at the flood dam, has been recovered one mile below that city.

Captain R. P. Wainwright, of the United States Army, purchased 35 horses for the government at Huntington. The price paid averaged about \$50 a head.

Tillamook county commissioners have leased the county sawmill to County Judge G. W. Sappington until April 1, who will furnish plank at \$4 per 1,000 feet.

Frank Hatch was arrested at Eugene on a charge of forgery. His offense is that of endorsing the name of a man named Davis to a check given by the Acme Commercial Company, amounting to \$9.57.

While returning from the Umatilla house to his room in the Chapman building, The Dalles, Fred Stewart, a young traveling man representing the Merchants' Supply Company, of Portland, was held up by two thugs and robbed of \$45.

The Homestake mine, located on the North Fork of John day river, seven miles from Lawton, has been bonded to Eastern capitalists by the owners, Messrs. Tom Johnson and Joseph Robinson, for the sum of \$25,000 on a year's time. Further conditions of the bond are that the persons holding it are to take immediate possession and prosecute the work of development with a large force of men divided into three eight-hour shifts, says the Lawton Standard.

Petitions have been circulated for three different free rural deliveries out of Albany, nearly covering the entire field in all directions around the city, and there are hopes of the same being established, but it is not known whether they will reach the department in time for the agent now establishing routes in the state to act upon them before his departure. The route out of Shedd has given such general satisfaction that there is a general desire to have the system extended here.

The Wallawa marshal ran in a man for peddling without a license, who defied the city authorities and would not even listen to the reading of the complaint by the recorder. He was incarcerated in the city prison for contempt of court, where he languished for two or three days or until some people around town put up \$5 for a jury trial. The jury thought upon the evidence offered that the man was entitled to a discharge, and so rendered its verdict. The man is a foreigner, presumably an Italian. He threatened to sue the city for damages.

From private letters received by M. G. Hope, of Vale, it is learned that the Ocean Wave mine is making a splendid showing. L. N. Clark, a mining expert, has the development work of the mine in charge, and in a letter that was received from him he says that several fine nuggets have been taken out lately. In a former letter he stated that the gold is not confined to the rich vein that is being followed, but that small particles of it may be seen in the dirt over the entire face and walls of the tunnel. It is his opinion that it would pay to mill the whole hill on which he is working. This mine is an extension of the Golden Eagle, which is owned by Portland capitalists.

The Lakeview Rustler says that John Green, of the West side, who has been drilling for artesian water, has succeeded in getting the water to rise within five feet of the top of the ground, at a depth of 101 feet.

A. Nelson, of Cottage Grove, sold his undivided one-half interest in the Peek-a-Boo mining claim to G. Meadow and D. G. McFarland. This claim is located in the Bohemia district about one mile south of the Musick mine. The consideration was \$600.