

NORTHWEST NOTES

John McPherson was burned to death in a fire which destroyed a bunkhouse at the Clipper shingle mill at Deming, Wash.

Samuel Asher, a business man of Cheyenne, became violently insane after witnessing the recent fire in Ogden. Asher's health had failed from overwork and he was in an extremely nervous condition.

Mrs. Josephine Baruth of Medical Lake, Wash., was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary, and a fine of \$1,000, for the murder of her husband, whom she shot during a family quarrel. Her plea was self-defense.

Companies I and M of the Eleventh cavalry arrived in Cheyenne from Fort MacKenzie, 300 miles distant, after a march lasting a month. The men were nearly exhausted, having encountered much bad weather.

Former State Auditor Thomas W. Poindexter of Dillon died in Butte last week. His death followed an operation for ulcer of the stomach. He was 42 years old and was born at Canyon City, Or., and went to Dillon, Mont., in 1880, where, with his father, the late T. W. Poindexter, he entered the mercantile business.

There is a prospect that Nevada will see one of the most interesting railroad wars before the close of the present summer. Bitter competition undoubtedly will follow the completion of the several roads now being built, the building of which has aroused no small amount of rivalry even between the construction crews.

George L. Blodgett, once a resident of Missoula, Mont., has been sentenced to be hanged at the penitentiary at Salem, Ore., on June 29, for the murder on March 23 of a variety actress named Alice Minthorn. Blodgett abandoned his family to follow the woman, who, he asserted, cast him off after his money had been squandered.

James O'Neil was instantly killed and Eugene Gilfillan painfully injured by a premature blast in the Norcross mine at Goldfield, Nevada. They had put in a round of shots and had started to ascend the ladder. Gilfillan was half way up, O'Neil was but a few feet up on the ladder when a shot exploded, followed by a perfect fusillade.

Charles Lewis, who was a slave before the Civil War, but who afterward amassed a considerable fortune as a contractor at Omaha, is dead at Laramie, Wyo. He owned 200 acres of land near Lincoln, Neb., at one time, but wasted it in drinking. Lewis was a member of the local lodge of colored Knights of Pythias.

An underground Chinese colony, similar to that which once existed in San Francisco, has been discovered in Seattle by city officials. Seattle Orientals, by burrowing under buildings, sidewalks and alleys, have succeeded in excavating heretofore unsuspected passageways leading to rooms in which gambling and opium smoking is carried on.

Mrs. Nellie Davis has been arrested at Portland on a charge of larceny from a dwelling. The woman is alleged to be a diamond thief, and when apprehended had about \$1,000 worth of diamonds and other jewelry ornaments concealed about her clothes. Search of her apartments by the police disclosed another \$1,000 worth of jewelry.

Reports from Goldfield are to the effect that the last shipment made by the Red Top Mining company to a sampler in Salt Lake City ran over \$400 to the ton, the total returns to the company being the neat sum of \$10,572.

Earl McBroom and Gordon Cordner, boys about 8 years of age, found some fulminating caps in a cupboard at the McBroom home, at Laramie, Wyo. They hammered one of the shells with the result that both boys were badly injured.

Mayor Moore of Seattle has appointed Charles W. Waplestein chief of police to succeed the late T. R. DeLaney. He was chief of police of Cincinnati for three years, starting as messenger and working his way up to chief. He came to Seattle in 1898.

About 1,000,000 pounds of 1906 wool clip were bought by Boston, San Francisco and Portland firms at the wool growers' sale at Pendleton, Ore. The prices ranged from 19% to 22 1/2 cents a pound except for two small lots, which went for 12% to 14% cents.

Heavy rains and overflowing creeks have caused three deaths from drowning in northern Montana the past week. Walley Fuller drowning in Big Porcupine; Thomas Hampton in the same stream; and Mike Gasinski meeting death in the Little Porcupine.

DEVASTATED BY HIGH WATERS

Pendleton, Ore., and Walla Walla, Wash., Submerged by Rushing Torrent

Enormous Damage Done, But No Loss of Life Reported—One-third of the People Temporarily Homeless, Many Taking to the Hills.

Pendleton, Ore.—One-third of the people of Pendleton are either temporarily homeless or else have been driven into the upper floors of their residences by the rising waters of the Umatilla river, which is now a racing torrent, sweeping bridges and dikes before it. All over the affected parts of the county the water is still steadily rising, fed by the incessant rains. From every hand comes the news of bridges swept away, irrigation dams and flumes wrecked, roads torn up and washed out, fields inundated and crops obliterated.

Roaring streams are sweeping through lower Main and Court streets and all the business houses are flooded in that district, while the stock stored in basements is submerged.

Communication with outlying districts is uncertain, but the steady rise of the Umatilla shows that the floods are still increasing.

Spokane, Wash.—Walla Walla City and county is experiencing one of the worst floods in many years. Alder street, one of the principal business thoroughfares, is flooded to a depth of three feet, and several of the residences are filled with water. The bridges in the city have been washed out and three others are in great danger. The dam of the Walla Walla Power company, on Walla Walla river, fifteen miles from the city, went out, cutting off all lights and power. Other streams in the county are outside their banks, and in many places wheat and other farm produce has been washed out of the ground. A number of bridges have also been carried away.

Portland, Ore.—A special to the Oregonian from Freewater, Ore., a small place about thirty miles south of Walla Walla, Wash., states that the rains of the past few days have swelled the Little Walla Walla river and that 500 people have sought refuge in the hills.

PRESIDENT AT PORTSMOUTH.
Joined People of Virginia in Tribute to Nation's Dead.

Portsmouth, Va.—President Roosevelt joined the people of Virginia on Decoration day in a beautiful and impressive tribute to the nation's dead. Under the auspices of the Army and Navy union, the organization of the officers and enlisted men of the United States army and navy, the president delivered the Memorial day address here to an audience numbering thousands.

Immediately after delivering the oration of the day, President Roosevelt unveiled a monument erected in the Naval cemetery by the Army and Navy union to the memory of its dead comrades. The procession consisted of several thousand men from the North Atlantic fleet, Army and Navy union organizations, Grand Army veterans, camps of Confederate veterans, and many other societies.

REBELLION IN GUATEMALA.

"Patriots" Recruited in the Other Little Republics.

Tapachula, Mexico.—Reports received from Salvador state that Guatemalans and their sympathizers throughout the republic are intensely excited over the situation in Guatemala. The revolutionist General Toledo purposes to invade the central part of Guatemala with a considerable force, and announces that he will give battle to the army of President Cabrera at the gates of the capital. President Cabrera's statement that the revolution has been crushed in its incipency is ridiculed by Guatemalans, who state that the revolution has only just commenced.

In upper Guatemala enthusiasm for General Barrillas is reported to be growing daily. No news has been received from General Pinada, who has marched into the province of Peten, where, it is confidently asserted, the Indians are sure to join him.

No confirmation has been received of the reported assault on Ocos, but this may be accounted for by the interruption of telegraphic communication and the condition of the roads.

Automobile Caught Between Street Cars, Several People Injured.

Cincinnati.—A number of persons were injured, two street cars completely consumed and an automobile wrecked on the Vine street hill, through a collision followed by an explosion of the gasoline tank on the automobile. The chauffeur tried to pass between two cars which were approaching each other, but his car was caught and crushed, the tank exploding immediately and both street cars catching fire.

WORKING FOR BETTER INSPECTION OF MEAT

Amendment Proposed by Senator Beveridge Discussed at White House.

Washington.—An important conference was held at the White House on Monday regarding the meat inspection amendment of Senator Beveridge of Indiana, to the agricultural appropriation bill.

The president discussed the question with Senator Carter of Montana and Professor Charles P. Neill, commissioner of labor, who investigated certain packing houses, and later talked over the matter with Senator Beveridge.

At the conclusion of the conference Senator Carter dictated the following statement bearing upon the president's attitude:

"The meat inspection amendment placed on the agricultural bill has met with the opposition of the packers and their friends, who seem to be bending every effort to defeat it. The president says that if the amendment is enacted into law he will be content to remedy the evils complained of through the law.

"If, however, the amendment is defeated, he will feel constrained in the discharge of his official duty to the public to send to congress the reports in his possession relating to the abuses existing in the packing houses. He feels that it is better to refrain from making the reports public, not through any regard for the beef packers particularly, but because an official statement of the facts would injure the stock raisers of the country, thus making them innocent victims of a line of abuses for which they were not primarily in any sense responsible.

"The only answer that can be made to the consumers of our meats at home and abroad will be the enactment of a law through which an efficient and sufficient inspection shall be made."

Senator Carter said that the packers have asked for more time in which to consider the amendment. It is suggested that influential citizens write their senators and congressmen, asking for the publication of a full report to the president of Commissioners Neil and Reynolds.

DRIFTING TOWARD CHAOS.

Russian Government Ignores Demands of Parliament.

St. Petersburg.—There was no session of parliament on Wednesday, but the various committees held meetings, and there was also a session of the central committee of the Constitutional Democrats to discuss the general situation.

Despite the interpellation, adopted by the lower house of parliament regarding the provocative "black hundred" telegrams to the emperor, printed in the Official Messenger, that paper published several columns against extending the amnesty to "traitors," but asking for the pardon of those who participated in the anti-Jewish outrages and generally protesting that the lower house of parliament does not represent the real voice of the Russian people.

This, taken in connection with the execution of the eight revolutionists at Riga, while the interpellation on the subject was pending, was interpreted as being a studied effort on the part of the government to ignore the demands of parliament. But probably it is nearer the truth to say that it only exposes the continuance of the conflict of authority within the government itself.

ASSAULTED AND MURDERED.

Horrible Crime Committed Near Seattle, Washington.

Seattle.—Elsie Mulhoff, the 11-year-old daughter of William Mulhoff of Renton, was assaulted, then murdered and her body partially buried, on what is known as the "Old Renton" farm. Her body, with the throat cut, was found by searching parties. Tramps are believed to have committed the crime and Wednesday eleven suspicious characters loitering about Renton or in the neighborhood of the town were placed under surveillance.

Rich Strikes in Nevada.

Goldfield, Nev.—Remarkable strikes have been reported from near Alkali Springs, seventeen miles northwest of Goldfield and Goldfield is nearly depopulated of mining men and prospectors. For days the stream of gold-seekers had been pouring into the district from Goldfield and nearby camps. The ore taken out much resembles the Tonopah, bearing gold and silver in nearly equal quantities. The smallest assays brought from the district ran \$77 to the ton.

Plot to Assassinate King of Spain on His Wedding Day.

London.—A plot to assassinate King Alfonso on his wedding day has been discovered in London, according to a convincing story published by the Evening Standard Wednesday afternoon. Fifty anarchists of England, France and Spain, who are said to be concerned in the conspiracy, are alleged to be on the way to Madrid with the intention of carrying out the attempt as the king is leaving the church. The plan is said to have been hatched in Spain and London.

CAMP IS SWEEPED AWAY BY FLOOD

Five Men Lose Their Lives as a Result of Breaking of Large Dam.

Immense Volume of Water Rushed Down the Canyon, Sweeping Everything Before It—Men Were Engaged in Sheep Shearing.

Reno, Nev.—A special to the Gazette says that the most disastrous flood that has occurred in Nevada for many years took place in Golconda, a small town about 200 miles from here. It was caused by the breaking of the large dam in Pole Creek canyon, three miles above the shearing corral of the Golconda Cattle company. Five men were drowned and several are badly injured.

When the dam broke an immense volume of water poured down the canyon, carrying everything before it. When it struck the sheep shearing corral there were a number of men at work and all of these were carried away with the flood. Not a building or fence of the Golconda Cattle company was left standing. The track of the Southern Pacific railroad was undermined for a mile west of the town, and all trains are from eight to twelve hours late.

The dead are three Mexican sheep shearers, a Chinese cook and an Indian boy. All were employed by the Golconda Cattle company. The injured are suffering from congested lungs due to swallowing water and mud, and one will probably die.

OUTBREAK IN GUATEMALA.

Revolutionists Trying to Overthrow Government in Little Republic.

Washington.—Guatemala is threatened with a revolution which may endanger American interests in the republic, according to dispatches received at the state department from Minister Combs and Schwartz & Co., an American concern owning railway and dock properties in Guatemala. The scene of the trouble is in the northern part of the republic, near the Mexican frontier, but the cause is internal.

Troops are being massed by the revolutionists in such numbers, that foreigners with property interests in the republic are much alarmed.

Unrest has prevailed in the little republic for some time, and the state department has had intimations from time to time that a revolutionary insurrection movement might be expected.

The Guatemalan minister, Mr. Mexico City.—Revolutionary troops have crossed the Guatemalan border from the north and from Salvador and British Honduras. They are well armed. The stated object of these expeditions is to Americanize Guatemala.

NOT READY TO REPORT.

Further Hearings in Coal and Oil Cases Will be Necessary.

Washington.—The reports of the interstate commerce commission of its findings in connection with the recent hearings in Philadelphia, Washington and Cleveland on the subjects of coal and oil will not be prepared for some time and may not be ready in time for presentation to congress at its present session. Further hearings will be necessary before the commission will be in a position to report its conclusions.

Delaware Legislature Will Try to Elect a Senator.

Dover, Del.—Governor Lea issued a formal call for a special session of the Delaware legislature, to convene at Dover on May 31. The chief purpose is to ballot for a United States senator to fill the existing vacancy. The belief prevails that the deadlock on the senatorship, which has existed for more than two years, will be broken, and that the state will again be represented by its full quota in the upper branch of congress.

Court Did Not Reverse Itself.

Washington.—The supreme court of the United States on Monday reiterated its decision of last term in the Philippines case of Warner, Baner & Co., and Frederic W. Lincoln, involving the validity of tariff collections in the Philippine lands under the executive order of 1897. The opinion was delivered by Chief Justice Fuller. In these cases, which have become somewhat famous because of the determined effort of the government to secure a reversal of the court by itself.

Cargo From the Orient.

Los Angeles.—The first cargo of goods to arrive at San Pedro from Asia is now on its way east. The goods were brought in the steamer Hercules and were shipped over the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake route. They consisted of nutmegs, mace, sheepskins, goatkins, feathers and capoe, and were consigned to Minneapolis, St. Louis, Chicago, Kansas City and New York. Although this is the first cargo received at San Pedro from Aalg there was no celebration.

SAYS OPEN DOOR IS ONLY IN IMAGINATION

Foreign Merchants Are Unable to Compete With the Japanese in Manchuria.

Washington.—From various sources the attention of the state department has been drawn to what it regards as the great hindrance to foreign trade with Manchuria caused by the circulation of the war notes issued by the Japanese generals in the field during the late war to the Chinese farmers and traders and coolies who supplied either fodder, food, transportation or labor for the Japanese soldiers. Like notes were issued during the Civil War by Union commanders in cases of necessity, and they were all redeemed by the national government in the end.

It is not doubted that it is the purpose of the Japanese government to redeem their notes, and, in fact, the redemption is said to be in progress, but in a manner which, it is claimed, is giving great dissatisfaction to the foreign houses trading with Manchuria. The charge is made in some of the complaints that have reached Washington that discrimination is practiced to the great detriment of our trade in that quarter.

Patrick Are Vetoed.

Albany, N. Y.—"Little less than scandalous," is the phrase used by Governor Higgins in a veto memorandum issued regarding "the law's delay" in the case of Albert T. Patrick, convicted of the murder of the aged millionaire, William M. Rice, in New York City in 1900. The governor's veto is of two bills introduced by Assemblyman Wade of Chautauqua to amend the code of criminal procedure so as to permit an appeal from an order denying a motion for a new trial in a criminal case on the ground of newly discovered evidence. The bills, which were introduced in the senate also by Senator Smith, were generally understood to have reference especially to the Patrick case, and the governor so describes them in his memorandum.

Postoffice Bill Passed.

Washington.—The senate has passed the postoffice appropriation bill, carrying an appropriation of \$192,485,000. An entire day was devoted to consideration of the bill as a whole and to special-features of the bill. The debate dealt with the questions of the fast mail train to the south; second-class matter, including the admission to the mails of the publications of colleges, universities and charitable and educational institutions as second-class matter; subsidies for Pacific Mail steamships and questions relating to the boxes used on rural free delivery routes.

Not Insane; Only Shamming.

New York.—The trial of Josephine Terranova, charged with the murder of her aunt, was resumed on Tuesday. The commission appointed to ascertain whether Mrs. Terranova is insane reported to the court that while the girl formerly had hallucinations as to her conduct in killing her uncle and aunt, and still has them, she is able, in their opinion, to consult and advise with her counsel as to the conduct of her trial. As such a condition satisfied the requirements of the law, the trial proceeded.

Provision for "Jim Crow" Cars.

Washington.—At a two hours' session of the conference on the railroad rate bill on Tuesday a number of undisputed amendments were agreed to tentatively, all of the disputed points being passed over, and considerable time was devoted to a discussion of the so-called "Jim Crow" car provision. This amendment has given the Republican conferees some concern, because of the opposition made by northern negroes against the alleged principle involved in the separation of the races.

Accident in Tonopah Mine.

Tonopah, Nevada.—Vester Mortensen and Tony Hoffstedt were killed and C. Mayer injured by an accident in the Tonopah North Extension mine. Eight men coming off shift were on a cage ascending the shaft. Mortensen leaned out and his shoulder struck a timber, forcing Hoffstedt, who was opposite to him, off the cage. Mortensen caught the timber and hung on till the cage passed him, when he dropped to the first level. His head was cut off and his body badly mangled. Hoffstedt was crushed.

Receivers Will Hold On.

Washington, D. C.—The house committee on appropriations has reported the sundry civil appropriation bill. The principal item in the bill of interest to the west is one providing for salaries of receivers of public lands. It was expected that the committee, following the advice of the secretary of the interior, would recommend that salaries of receivers be increased from \$5,000 to \$7,500 per annum. That was included in the bill.

LOVE FOR FISH LED TO DEATH

Three Japanese Are Drowned While Trying to Escape From Officers.

Had Been in the Habit of Dynamiting Fish, and Made a Break for Liberty After Being Placed Under Arrest, With Sad Results.

Boise, Ida.—W. W. Stephens, state game warden, reports the drowning of three Japanese in the north fork of the Snake river while attempting to escape from a fisherman who had arrested them for dynamiting fish.

It seems there are about 100 Japanese working on the Marysvale road a short distance above St. Anthony. They like fish, and whenever they want some they slip out, drop a stick of dynamite into the stream and kill a large number. The practice of the Japanese became known to fishermen and plans were laid to catch them. Mr. Stephens arranged that any fisherman catching the Japs at work should hold them up until he could turn them over to a deputy warden.

The stream was watched for a long time before an opportunity came to make an example of the children of the milkdo. Finally a fisherman caught six of them in the act of dynamiting fish. He promptly placed them under arrest, but the entire six made a dash for liberty, jumping into the river in their effort to escape. Three managed to get across, but the other three were carried down stream and drowned.

TRAGEDY IN COLORADO.

Man and Wife Found Dead, Both Having Been Shot.

Canon City, Colo.—The sound of two shots from the home of W. C. Baldwin has caused an investigation, resulting in finding the dead bodies of Baldwin and his wife. The body of Baldwin was lying on the floor, the head blown from the trunk, a shotgun, lying near by. The wife's dead body was standing nearly upright against the wall, the head shattered by the gunshot wounds. The couple were married two months ago against parental objection. A coroner's investigation will be held to determine the cause of the tragedy.

Utah's Coney Island.

Saltair, the most popular of all of Utah's pleasure-resorts, will be formally thrown open to the public for the season on Decoration day, and, judging from the bookings already made, this will be one of the most profitable seasons in the history of the resort. Manager J. E. Langford has been busy during all spring looking after many improvements, and has everything in shipshape for the opening. Among the new attractions for the young folks and the young-old folks are the new eight-roller coaster and ye old mill. Thousands from outside towns visit Saltair during the season, and no tourist has completed his visit to Utah until he has floated upon the bosom of the Great Salt Lake at Saltair.

Added Misery for Refugees.

San Francisco.—A heavy rainstorm swept over this city and surrounding country Saturday night and Sunday, damaging truck gardens, flooding basements and bringing much discomfort and misery to the refugees camped out on low ground.

STILL IN GOOD HEALTH.

Eighty-seventh Birthday of Mrs. Julia Ward Howe.

Boston.—Mrs. Julia Ward Howe passed her eighty-seventh birthday at her home here Sunday in good health. Surrounded by her children, the venerable authoress observed the anniversary with a little family party. During the day she was the recipient of flowers, other gifts and congratulations from organizations with which she has been prominently identified and from many personal friends.

Lid on in Louisville.

Louisville, Ky.—Scores of corner pumps with the handles removed and signs derisively announcing "Closed; it's sinful to drink on Sunday," brought home to early-rising householders in many sections of the city the fact that Louisville on Sunday was for the first time in many years as dry as Tophet. As the day wore on it was seen that the state and city authorities were in dead earnest about putting on the lid. All the saloons were compelled to remain closed, and the ball games were stopped.

A Big Loan Necessary.

Tokio.—Vice Admiral Togo, General Kuroki and Marquis Ito, with a suite of admirals and generals, will start shortly on a tour of inspection in Manchuria. This important mission is supposed to be the outcome of the recent state council at which, though the details have not become known, it is understood weighty decisions were reached respecting the Manchurian railways, which are intended to be permanently run by the government. This naturally will necessitate the floating of another big loan.