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THE POST-INTELLIGENCER SOLD

Will Be Used to Fight "Jim" Hill for All of Which Oregon Will Be Thankful.

Tacoma Ledger.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer has been sold to the Northern Pacific railroad company. E. C. Hughes, of the law firm of Struve, Allen, Hughes and McMicken, who are the attorneys of the Northern Pacific at Seattle, engineered the deal and left for New York on Tuesday night to arrange details. The price agreed upon for the paper is $325,000. Of this amount, $25,000 was paid in cash for an option extending to December 15, when the balance of the money is to be paid. This money will come out of the treasury of the Northern Pacific, and that corporation will control the destinies of the Post-Intelligencer. It is expected the transfer of the property will be made about December 1. Edgar B. Piper will remain as managing editor of the paper temporarily, and it is probable that he will be retained permanently in that position. This is upon the authority of Mr. Hughes himself.

The changes in the business department will be complete. Who the new business manager will be is not known, but it is understood that he will come from the East. The policy of the paper under the new management will be sound money, republicanism and the Northern Pacific always.

The details of the purchase are interesting. It is a well known fact that D. S. Lamont, vice-president of the Northern Pacific, has for some time desired to buy a newspaper in the state of Washington for his company. About a year ago he authorized certain parties out here to open negotiations with the Spokesman-Review. He named a figure which he would be willing to pay, and it was a liberal one. However, when Mr. Cowles, the owner of the Review was approached and asked to make a price for his paper, he declined to do so. Lamont was prepared to pay as high as $250,000 for the bare paper, without the building, but Mr. Cowles would not listen to any proposition and no offer was made.

Lamont then turned his attention to the Post-Intelligencer, and it is known that for the past six months he has been investigating the property and making his plans to buy it. Mr. Lamont is a careful man, and is not in the habit of putting money into enterprises blindly, so when it came to the point of closing the deal he suggested to his attorneys in Seattle that if some of the citizens of that town, who had expressed great faith in the Post-Intelligencer, and who had evinced an enthusiastic ambition to control its destinies, would guarantee the interest on the investment for a term of six years, he would be inclined to put up the money.

The result was that some six or eight ambitious politicians of Seattle have furnished this guarantee, and, in fact, they have put up one half of the $25,000 which was paid for the option. In return for this investment and guarantee they are to have political control of the paper, always with a view, however, to the interests of the Northern Pacific. It is also part of the compact that the paper is to be used to further the interests of the Northern Pacific in Seattle and crowd Jim Hill into the back at all times. E. C. Hughes, the attorney for the Northern Pacific, will the be the active man in charge.

THE STORY OF JUDAS.

The Decoy Ox of the Chicago Cattle Yards.

One of the sights of the great cattle yards of Chicago is an old white ox, named Judas. An ox may rise to eminence by his cunning and wisdom as well as a man, and Judas has risen. He came to the yards a good many years ago, while he was yet a frisky steer, and he was immediately purchased by one of the great packing houses and driven from the train which brought him from his Iowa home to a distant yard.

The life of most animals at the cattle yards is very short—a week at the very most. A few days after the arrival of Judas the herd of cattle which occupied the pen with him was selected for killing. The way to the packing house led down a long alleyway with high fences on each side, then up a narrow chute and into the building. For some reason the cattle seem to know what is coming, for they always object to being driven up the chute. Judas was no exception. He plunged madly about among the herd and the cattlemen had more trouble with him than with any other animal. At last, however, he seemed to realize that sooner or later he must go and he made a virtue of a necessity, trotted quietly up the chute and the other animals followed rapidly after him. Thus he ran until he had just reached the door of the packing house. Then, quick as a flash, he turned and galloped down a side passage and escaped, while the other cattle went onward into the building.

Judas had been so very clever that the good-natured cattlemen let him go for that day, for genius is to be appreciated in a steer as well as in a man. The next day, however, they drove him up again with another herd. This time he made not the slightest objection, but trotted forward quietly, and the other steers, having a confident leader, behaved admirably. But just as Judas reached the door of the building he dodged again, so suddenly that the men couldn't turn him, and escaped as he had done before, while the herd behind him went careering into the killing room.

Since then Judas has been a regular employe of the cattle yards. Every day he leads up a herd of cattle and every day he dodges just at the door of the building. He has saved the cattlemen no end of trouble and delay with riotous herds since he began his service. He has grown fat and sleek on the good living of the yards, and so highly are his services regarded that the cattlemen provide him with a white blanket on cold days to keep him comfortable.

And thus he is living to a green old age, but he bears the disrespectable name of Judas—the betrayer.

PRINCE AND THE VICAR.

Although This Dog Was an Intelligent Animal He Was No Respector of Persons.

London Academy.

Life to Prince means sticks. The game was simple. You threw a stick a few yards, Prince recovered it, and brought it to your feet, and, after a solemn pantomine suggesting that he would never again part with it, the stick was dropped and you were expected to throw it again. The village where Prince lived was an ideal village for the playing at sticks. The road was white and dusty, with here and there cases of cool cobblestones on which a dog could rest his nose; and there was hardly any traffic. Facing one side of the road was a seat, and behind the seat the churchyard wall. As the village stood on a hill, travelers and idlers often sat awhile on the seat. That was Prince's opportunity; that was why this village was so good a place for playing sticks, why Prince liked living there. For if, when you have reached the top of a hill and are comfortably seated, a great shaggy collie dog drops a piece of stick at your feet, and lies down just behind it, with front paws tucked in under his chest, asking you, begging you, to throw the stick—could you resist the appeal?

Well, I had been playing sticks with Prince intermittently through a Sunday afternoon. When the bell calling to evening service ceased I threw the stick for the last time, entered the little church, and found a seat near the door. The service progressed slowly; the vicar had lived forty years in the village; he was old, short-sighted, but benign; no gabbler; a lover of his calling; a stickler for punctilious propriety in the observance of the rubric. The first hymn, "We Love Thy House, O Lord," had begun; the vicar, his gentle eyes peering into the hymn book, had given himself up to the influence of the hour, when I heard a slight scuffling in the porch beyond the open door of the church. I glanced over my shoulder to see Prince pick a piece of stick from the ground. He paused a moment, as if selecting a playmate among the congregation. Then he advanced solemnly up the aisle. He ascended the chancel steps—slowly, seriously—halted in front of the old vicar, settled himself, tucked his front paws beneath him, dropped a piece of wet stick on the floor, and waited.

COURTESY ON THE RIO GRANDE.

"The Mexicans observe many little courtesies that an American rarely thinks about," writes P. J. Cranke, in the November "Woman's Home Companion." "For instance, two gentlemen meeting on the street gravely salute each other by raising their hats. As they invariably extend this same salutation to their American acquaintance the latter must respond in kind, and thus the habit is formed. It is often laughable to see two Americans meet, and with grave dignity doff their hats through the force of habit acquired in their intercourse with Mexicans, and then observe the expression of their faces as they realize what they have done. The only passport to the best society is the culture and character of a gentleman. If a man is not a gentleman, were he a millionaire, he could never penetrate that charmed inner circle that obtains in every border town. The Mexicans are equally exclusive. A letter of introduction from on either side to the other will, however, give a stranger instant recognition socially. They are exceedingly careful about these introductions, and a man must be well known to somebody of importance before he can secure one. It is a rule in Mexico that the one who introduces a stranger in this way is responsible, even for his bills. The American habit of writing everybody a letter of recommendation does not, therefore, prevail here. But when one does get introduced the Mexicans never weary in showing courtesies. To the Mexican your friend is the same as yourself, and should have equal attention."

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Tacoma News.

"Give me the Western ocean," said First Officer Soldier of the steamship St. Irene, now loading and discharging at Tacoma when questioned this morning how he liked the change of the ship to the Tacoma-Oriental route.

"The dreary lonesomeness of this Pacific voyage is appalling at times," went on the sailor. "Like French Arden we can say day after day: 'No sail in sight.' Why it is no unusual occurrence for a steamer or sailing vessel plying between the Pacific coast and the Orient to make the entire trip without sighting a sail or smoke rising the horizon. To be sure we have our little world of its own aboard the steamer but with day after day passing and only an occasional heavy sea, smashing over the fo' gallant fo'castle, to break the monotonous 'thump, thump, thump' of the screw, there comes a lonesomeness to the seaman that is hard to describe.

"On the western ocean it is different. With every few days a ship or steamer is sighted. The signal locker is gone to and soon we are exchanging the news of the world, as we have learned it in the country we have hailed from, with the news gained by the other vessel at her sailing port.

"For instance we knew nothing of the outbreak of hostilities in South Africa until we reached Puget sound. Had we been on the Atlantic a half dozen ships would have signaled us of the war and subsequent happenings. Possibly we would have had an opportunity of laying to and exchanging newspapers. Indeed, there's a great difference in ocean life. One is like living in a large city, the other as though isolated on a South Pacific island."

Work on the St. Irene is being pushed to the limit. Five gangs of men are working at five cargo hatches, the work of loading going on at the same time as the discharging. The second steamer of the line, the City of Dublin, is due to arrive Saturday next and every effort is being made by the stevedores and the Northern Pacific Steamship Company to get the St. Irene out of the way before the other's arrival.

Some idea of the tremendous impetus the accession of the Philippine archipelago has given to Oriental trade may be gained by an inspection of the vast stores of goods now piled in the ocean dock freight sheds awaiting transportation. Such was the crush on Sunday night, with freight arriving and cargo discharging, that it was found necessary to knock off two of the stevedores' gangs until room could be made in the sheds for the goods pouring out of the St. Irene's hatches.

"Never was such a benefit tendered the business men of the Pacific coast and the merchant marine plying in these waters, than when President McKinley announced his decisive policy in the matter of holding the Philippines," said Senator Hamilton this morning. "If those Boston anti-expansionists could but see and imbibe into their systems the great good that the administration is accomplishing through its policy, it is possible a change might be heard in the chatter of the Atkinson faction. They simply don't know, however, and there you are. Time will show, though, providing their brains are sesceptible of showing, these people of what is being and has been accomplished for the good of the United States."

A POEM ON MANKIND.

Like what is man, but like a sprouting weed,
That grows and ripens but to cast its seed
Among the thistles and the tares of life
And then to see it strangled in the stife?
Or like the clouds that wander with the breeze
And pass unnoticed from a life of ease?
Or like a mushroom, sprung to life, alas!
To starve or strangle in the tangled grass?

These are thoughts that are apt to come to many people at times, especially when they are sick and have to pay big prices for medicines. But there is one drug store in Oregon where you can save from 10 to 25 per cent on everything you buy, and that is J. A. Clemenson's Drug Store, at 227 Yamhill street, Portland, Ore. At that store you can get Hood's Sarsaparilla at 70c; Mellen's Food, $1 size, 55c; Bromo Seltzer, $1 size, 70c, and everything else at the same low rate. You can get red trading stamps there, and if you need the Natural Body Brace, you can get it there.

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In response to the demands of the times the O. R. & N. and its connections are placing in operation a much better grade of tourist sleepers for Pacific coast service than at any previous time. The largely increased traffic to this section of the country has demanded all the improvements of latter-day transportation, and in consideration of this the railroads are establishing a service which is excellent in every particular. Not only are the wishes of first-class passengers served, but those who are traveling to and from the East on second-class tickets are splendidly cared for. There was a time when a tourist sleeper appealed to a limited number of people who were traveling on the "cheap" order, in every meaning of the term. Now, however, there has been a radical change. With the better tourist sleepers in operation the class of passengers has been improved, and one may now travel upon them and enjoy all the privileges of a first-class sleeper at a greately reduced rate.

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FINE OPENING.

The North Pacific Dental College, whose advertisement appears in another column, opened its doors October 5, with 75 students on its roster. The college is well equipped with every facility to graduate students in all the late knowledge of dentistry. A. R. Baker, D.D. S., is demonstrator in charge, and is well qualified to instruct all students who attend this college.

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