

# BUYS AN AIR SHIP

## UNCLE SAM INVESTS IN BALLOON FOR WAR.

**CAPTAIN BALDWIN FULFILLED ALL REQUIREMENTS DEMANDED.**

On Monday Uncle Sam became the proud possessor of his first dirigible balloon.

Captain Thomas Baldwin, who for two weeks has been making experimental and official flights with his big airship, completed the tests Saturday night shortly after dark, fulfilling every requirement specified by the army signal corps. This test was for endurance. Under the terms of the contract with the government, Baldwin was required to remain in flight for two hours at a speed not less than seventy per cent of that attained in the final speed trial, which was made the night before.

The daring aeronaut and his engineer, Curtis, navigated the craft for two hours and five minutes, making seven round trips between Fort Meyer and Cherrydale, Va., approximating a distance of thirty miles. The balloon was launched shortly before 6 o'clock in the presence of a large crowd of army and navy officers, in addition to the signal corps balloon board who kept tab on the distance covered and the speed.

Augustus Post, secretary of the Aero Club of America, who was one of the spectators, was enthusiastic over the result accomplished. He warmly congratulated Baldwin and his companions and afterward said: "I consider this the greatest aeronautic feat ever performed in America. It surpasses anything the Wright brothers or Farman has ever done. I am glad the United States government is to become the possessor of this wonderful craft."

"I want a drink quick," were the first words that Captain Baldwin uttered as he stepped off his airship after the test. His thirst could not immediately be assuaged, but the captain bore it philosophically. When one of the soldier helpers handled the craft a little roughly he was immediately admonished by the captain: "Look out there, that airship is government property."

The signal corps balloon board sets the price to be paid Baldwin for the airship. The amount will depend upon the exact number of miles covered in the speed and endurance tests.

The board calculated that the airship had maintained an average speed of 13.75 miles an hour while in the air two hours, this speed being more than the requirements. He will receive \$5737.50.

### RIOTS AT SPRINGFIELD,

Most All of National Guard Now Patrols the City.

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 17.—Two deaths from injuries received in previous mob fights: William Donegan, the aged colored man, whose throat was cut, and Frank Delmore, who was shot through the lungs on Friday night; the attempted cutting of the fire alarm wires, the exoneration of Private J. B. Klein, Company A, First infantry, by a court of inquiry for the killing of Earl Nelson, who would not leave a train when ordered to at Kankakee, and the pursuit of a mob by guardsmen were the chief developments in the race war in Springfield Sunday.

With the arrival here of the Second and Seventh infantry, Illinois National Guard, and two squadrons of the First cavalry, all of the national guard of Illinois, with the exception of the Sixth infantry and the Eighth infantry (colored), was on duty in the riot districts tonight.

### LUMBER RATES ON OLD BASIS.

Harriman Lines Yield to Interstate Commerce Commission.

Portland, Ore., Aug. 17.—Pending a final decision by the United States supreme court in the lumber rate controversy the Harriman officials have announced that the rates fixed by the interstate commerce commission will prevail. This amounts to a victory for the Oregon and Washington lumbermen, since the decision of the commission virtually restored the tariffs that were in effect prior to November 1, 1907. Following the ruling of the commission the railroads appealed to the supreme court of the United States.

### Rock Drilling Contest.

The rock drilling contest which was one of the features at the Spokane fair last year will be put on again this fall for larger and better purses. The Spokane fair will give a handsome silver trophy cup for the best general display of mineral exhibited by any one camp or district. The cup is valued at \$100. Variety, quality and arrangement are points to be considered in making the award.

### Tourist Crop is Small.

All Europe today is crying out in grief at the season's dearth of American millionaire tourists. Paris has a few, London still fewer, and Germany, Austria, Italy and Switzerland almost none at all.

### SPokane's New Theater.

Orpheum Circuit Adds Falls City to Its Large List.

The Orpheum theater, formerly the Columbia, at Spokane will open Sunday, August 23, presenting modern vaudeville. The opening bill will include Jessie L. Lasky's "Pianophiles" the Seven Yullians, the Reiff brothers, Melville and Higgins, Claude and Fannie Usher, "General" Edward La Vine, A. O. Duncan and Orpheumscope, the best in moving pictures. This theater is operated in conjunction with the great Orpheum circuit of the United States. Performances twice daily, 2.15 and 8.15 p. m. Doors open 1.30 and 7.30 p. m. Prices, evening 15c, 25c, 50c, 75c; boxes and loges \$1.00. Matinee, 15c, 25c, boxes and loges 50c. Box office open daily, 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. Phone Main 311.

Mall orders for reserved seats for both matinee and evening performances will receive prompt attention. Orders must state location desired and have check enclosed payable to George A. Harrison, manager.

### LEPER'S HUSBAND DIES.

General Wardwell, Loyal to Afflicted Wife, Succumbs.

Tombstone, Ariz., Aug. 18.—General D. K. Wardwell is dead while in quarantine with his leper wife. Her sufferings from the combined effects of leprosy and the nervous strain following the attendant notoriety of their case have dethroned her reason, and she is unaware that her husband is dead.

General Wardwell was a veteran of the Mexican and civil wars. Efforts to deport Mrs. Wardwell to the leper colony have brought out many complications, the federal authorities refusing to act under the present law. It is probable she will remain isolated here and cared for until her death.

### MINES AND MINING.

#### New York Metal Market.

Lead, quiet, \$1.57 1/2 @ 4.62 1/2; lake copper, quiet, 13 1/2 @ 13 3/4; silver, 51 1/2 c.

Camp Chafey is the latest Nevada wonder, according to reports.

Recent development work at the Del Rio mine in the Buffalo Hump district has exposed a ledge 16 feet wide.

Miners are at the Bonanza mine, 16 miles north of Kettle Falls, Wash., which it is said will be reopened at once.

A late report from the Elk City district states that the camp has never before shown as much activity as at present.

Miners at Cle Elum, Roslyn and Ravensdale, Wash., will receive the same mining rates as were in vogue last year.

Work has been resumed on the property of the National Copper company, which has not been operated for two months.

Falling to agree with the representatives of the operators, 2500 miners in the Crookfield district (Ohio) struck Saturday. The strike closes 28 mines.

Because of the recent developments and the excellent showing the stock of the Barnes-King Mining company, Helena, is advancing by leaps and bounds.

Work has been commenced on the long tunnel which is to be driven to tap the ledge on the property of the Copper King Mining company at great depth. The tunnel is to be 4200 feet long.

It is reported from the Lucky Calumet mine, in the Coeur d'Alene, that a six-inch stringer of sulphide ore, similar to the Snowstorm, has been encountered in a drift to the west of the main crosscut.

Activities at the Holden mines near Chelan, Wash., have increased in remarkable proportions. Last week large consignments of machinery arrived and are being hauled to the mine as fast as possible by the transfer company.

Ten thousand coal miners in the Indiana field are out by order of W. D. Van Horn, president of district No. 11 of the miners' organization. The trouble started at the Road mine in Sullivan county several days ago over the discharge of a mule driver.

The litigation between the Coeur d'Alene Development company and the Stewart Mining company in which an injunction was obtained by the development company restraining the Stewart company from operating its concentrator, is likely to be settled out of court.

High grade galena ore, scattered through the quartz of the vein, has been encountered in the drift being run in the Clear Grit property, located near Delta, in the Murray district. The drift has been run in 250 feet from the bottom of the gulch, giving a depth on the lead of about 150 feet.

### Turkey War Ministers Dies.

Constantinople, Aug. 18.—The cabinet suffered a great loss Sunday in the sudden death of the war minister, Redjeb Pasha, from heart disease.

### Fire on Vancouver Island.

Fires are raging in the south of Vancouver island and many millions of feet of valuable timber are reported destroyed. The cream of the timber wealth of the island is being swept away. At Bear Lake, eight buildings, with supplies for surveying parties, were destroyed. The loss in timber is \$2,000,000. The fire shows no sign of abatement.

# EVANS RETIRED

## LAST TUESDAY FAMOUS NAVAL MAN QUIT.

**HE RECEIVED NAME "FIGHTING BOB" DURING TROUBLE IN SOUTH AMERICA.**

Mohonk Lake, N. Y., Aug. 18.—On Tuesday evening Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, "Fighting Bob," will have concluded 48 years of service in the United States navy and, being at the age of 62, he will go on the retired list.

The admiral, unable to use one foot because of illness which compelled him to leave the fleet in San Francisco harbor—a reminder of the wound received at Fort Fisher 43 years ago—but mentally alert and vigorous, is at the Lake Mohonk house, where he has his family, spending the summer.

### Career of "Fighting Bob."

With the retirement from active service Tuesday of Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans—"Fighting Bob"—the United States navy loses one of the most picturesque figures that ever trod a quarterdeck. Forty-five years ago, Evans, as a young ensign, received his baptism of fire at Fort Fisher during the civil war.

It has been his fortune to command the greatest fleet of fighting ships ever assembled under the American flag and many of his countrymen are hopeful that congress will honor him by creating him a vice admiral, a rank second only to that of the Manila bay hero, Admiral Dewey.

### Recalled Resignation.

Fighting Bob was born in Floyd county, Va., 68 years ago and came to Washington at the age of 11 to live with his uncle, a newspaper man, upon the death of his father, Dr. Samuel Andrew Jackson Evans. Securing an appointment to the naval academy from the territory of Utah he entered the college. When the war broke out between the states his mother, assuming that he would take arms for his state against his country, sent in his resignation to Washington and it was promptly accepted. Young Evans was determined, however, to stand by the Union, even against his own family, and had himself reinstated, to his mother's chagrin. He was graduated in 1863 and served with honor through the remainder of the contest. He became a lieutenant in 1866, a lieutenant commander two years later and a commander in 1878. He reached the grade of captain in 1893 and as such officer he served through the Spanish-American war, commanding the battleship Iowa at the battle of Santiago. He was promoted to the rank of rear admiral in 1901.

During the period of strained relations with Chile he earned the sobriquet of "Fighting Bob." He was in command of the gunboat Yorktown, stationed at Valparaiso, which place he threatened to efface from the topographical map of Chile in such earnest language that the haughty Latin-Americans speedily released the American sailors. Rear Admiral Evans has always preferred sea duty to duty ashore. He has done more than any living man to unify this country's floating force, and great credit is due him for the high state of efficiency of equipment and personnel of the navy. Rough and ready, "Bob" Evans is a typical fighter. A stern disciplinarian, but always just and fair, he is not only respected by the men, but has the love of them.

### REPUGNANT TO ALL JUSTICE.

Governor Dineen's Denunciation of Springfield Riots.

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 17.—Referring to Friday's race riots in this city, Governor Dineen issued the following statement: "It is as intolerable as it is inexcusable. The idea of wreaking vengeance on a race for the crimes of one of its members is utterly repugnant to all notions of law and justice. No government can maintain its self respect and permit. Our state will not permit it. The entire resources of the state will be drawn upon if necessary to protect every citizen of Springfield in his person and property and those who violate the law must suffer the consequences."

### Offers Reward for Rioters.

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 18.—Following the addition of two victims to the death list, sporadic outbreaks of lawlessness in various parts of the city and increased symptoms generally that the mob spirit still rules Springfield, Governor Dineen has issued six proclamations offering rewards aggregating \$1,200 for the arrest and conviction of the riot leaders. The deaths now number five, but since one death was due only indirectly to the disturbance no official record has been taken of it.

### Sankey is Dead.

Ira D. Sankey, the singing evangelist, died at his home in Brooklyn Friday. Mr. Sankey was 68 years old. Five years ago he was stricken with blindness and since that time he had lived in retirement in Brooklyn. He received a large income from his publications and had acquired a considerable estate.

### SHORT SPORTING ITEMS.

Aberdeen and Tacoma played 17-nning tie game at Aberdeen last Sunday.

Nick Burley, known to every fight fan in the northwest, was arrested in Seattle recently.

The North Pacific Lawn Tennis association has voted next year's tournament to Seattle.

Stanley Ketchel believes he can whip Burns, and has had the "hunch" ever since he whipped Joe Thomas.

King Edward contemplates retiring from the turf. His majesty is heartily tired of racing, so well-informed owners of racing stables assert.

With the exception of the miniature Forest King and Quality Queen, the fine collection of horses belonging to John W. Considine, Seattle, was sold at auction.

Joe Walcott's defeat at the hands of Jack Robinson in New York was expected. The once great negro fighter has been meeting dubs in small cities for several weeks.

Jack Forbes and Dr. T. H. White, two of Spokane's expert trapezotists, have returned from a trip to Alaska, where they have been spending the last several months.

The wrestling match between Dan Sullivan of Butte and Charley Franklin of Seattle was ended by Franklin getting the first two falls in 6 and 7 minutes respectively.

Centrefielder Flanagan, the heavy-hitting Canuck who is playing a great game for Vancouver this season, is now the leader of the league in batting, his average being .365.

A movement is to be started in eastern Washington to close the chicken season for two years. The game has been hunted so determinedly for the last few years that chickens are scarce.

Dean Chapman, billiard instructor at the Spokane Amateur Athletic club, northwestern three-cushion champion, story teller, humorist and everybody's friend, has resigned from the club.

Freddie Welsh, the English lightweight champion, got the decision over Johnny Murphy at Los Angeles recently in a 25-round battle in which the Englishman had the best of it all the way in weight, strength and cleverness.

Doc Brown of Spokane, a gambler, collector of rare coins, baseball promoter, a friend of the newsboys, and of every man or woman who needed help, has made and lost another fortune in Goldfield, Nevada, according to reports.

Three silver loving cups, floral pieces and other remembrances were handed Cy Young recently in a benefit game given the old veteran at Boston. The old boy is in his 20th year of big league pitching and is still delivering the goods.

As the culmination of the most remarkable day's racing in the history of Seattle, Fern L, a little filly owned and trained by A. L. Jackson, won a mile handicap in the world's record time of 1:37.25, which breaks the track record by more than a second. It equals the phenomenal time made by Dick Welles at Chicago years ago.

Before the finest gallery of the week of the fifth annual tournament of the North Pacific International Tennis association, Everett, Wn., Joe Tyler of Spokane successfully defended his championship title against Frank Payne of Tacoma. This is the second time that Tyler has won the North Pacific association cup, which was won first by Payne in 1906.

### STANDING OF CLUBS.

Northwest League.	
Vancouver	578
Spokane	556
Aberdeen	505
Tacoma	489
Seattle	453
Butte	422
In the Coast League.	
Los Angeles	571
Portland	513
San Francisco	504
Oakland	415
In National League.	
Pittsburg	621
New York	583
Philadelphia	566
Chicago	563
Cincinnati	500
Boston	438
Brooklyn	376
St. Louis	363

### BRIEF NEWS NOTES.

Judge Alton B. Parker of New York is at Seattle attending the meeting of the National Bar Association.

Governor Hughes has appointed a commission to investigate charges against Sheriff Bradley, Jr. of Saratoga county for alleged failure to enforce the anti-racing gambling laws at Saratoga.

By the explosion of the boiler of the passenger steamer Lelanau, bound from Leeland to Fouché, on Carp lake, Mrs. I. LaBonte of Traverse City Michigan, was killed and a score of persons were injured, Monday.

Eight men belonging to the cooking gang of the Barnum and Bailey circus were severely injured, two probably fatally, when spreading rails caused four menagerie cars to leave the tracks of the Great Northern eight miles south of New Westminster, B. C., Sunday afternoon.

# NORTHWEST NEWS NOTES

## ITEMS CULLED FOR OUR BUSY READERS.

**ABOUT PEOPLE IN MONTANA, IDAHO, WASHINGTON AND OREGON.**

### WASHINGTON ITEMS.

The new union depot at Pasco will cost \$65,000.

The building of new houses still goes on in Odessa.

The state board of education granted life diplomas to 17 persons last Saturday.

Al Hill, an old resident of Spokane, died Saturday afternoon from an attack of cancer of the stomach.

James Hall, a railroad lineman, was struck by a train near Sisco and received perhaps fatal injuries.

The town of Valley had a \$60,000 fire last Saturday. It started in a livery barn and swept the east side of town.

W. T. Murphy, a structural iron worker, was accidentally killed near Leavenworth while attempting to board a train.

Charles Stanford, a horse owner, was robbed of \$2115 and a pair of trousers while asleep in his quarters at Seattle.

J. L. Layton, a rancher near Vernon, was shot and instantly killed last week by John Anderson in a dispute over irrigation.

This year's fruit crop in the Kittitas valley will reach more than 50,000 boxes is the estimate of men interested in orcharding there.

Frank Bryant is in the Ellensburg jail charged with killing Thomas Johnson, real estate dealer at Cle Elum. The men were fighting over a bill.

Fire, caused from the sparks of a stationary engine, destroyed 12,000 feet of lumber at the Odell sawmill on the Tucanon, near Dayton, last week.

The safe in the Toppenish postoffice was blown open the other night and the robbers made a successful getaway. The amount taken is not known.

A dam across Toroda creek, near Republican, which was constructed to furnish water for the Byng brothers' sawmill, was destroyed by dynamite recently.

Six million feet of high grade dressed lumber has been ordered in Billingsham from Puget sound mills to build Seattle's 23 mile new water supply main from Cedar river.

R. Warrener, who stopped to button his shoes when a Vancouver, B. C. rooming house in which he was living caught fire, burned to death, and 20 occupants narrowly escaped.

Within a week it is announced over 300 condemnation suits will be brought by the Northern Pacific railway to get possession of property worth millions of dollars for the Point Defiance line, Tacoma.

Robert Mottau of Tacoma has received notification that he has fallen heir to an \$85,000 estate in Germany. The estate was willed to Mr. Mottau by his brother, who died a few months ago.

### OREGON SQUIBS.

Farmers in the Umatilla country are talking of using goats as a method of ridding their summer fallow of obnoxious weeds.

Seth Garfield Brinn, 12 years old, son of James Nicholas Brinn of Yankton, Ore., was instantly killed while hunting recently. He was shooting birds and stood on a log to load the shotgun. He slipped and the left barrel was discharged. The entire side of his head was blown off.

### IDAHO NOTES.

Spirit Lake has voted \$15,000 for a new schoolhouse.

Aca Van Winkle has been arrested at Nampa on complaint of Pilot Rock, Ore., people on the charge of passing forged checks.

By the latter part of September the Grangeville extension of the Northern Pacific, running from Lewiston to Grangeville, will be completed and opened for traffic.

Company E, the Rathrum organization of the Idaho national guard, are at American Lake, Wash., where it will participate in the national maneuvers at Camp Stanley.

O. G. Kinney of the Hogan mine, near Elk City, will meet with the commercial club at Grangeville to discuss the plans for the construction of an electric line from Grangeville to Elk City.

The postoffice department has determined to establish a star route mail service from Coeur d'Alene to Monitor, Lyndale, Del Cardo bay, Twin Beaches will also be accommodated, the mails to run six times a week.

Julius Kruttschnitt, first vice president and director of maintenance and operation of the Harriman lines, spent several hours in Lewiston Sunday inspecting depot grounds and terminals for the joint road built by Harriman and Hill.

Dr. F. W. Mitchell of Blackfoot, charged with performing a criminal operation on Mary Robbs, a young school teacher, from which the girl died, has been bound over to await the action of the district court under bond of \$10,000. The preliminary hearing lasted a week.

Moscow and the city of Spokane will be more closely drawn together in a few days, by which time the steel rails of the Palouse-Moscow division of the Inland Empire system will be laid into Moscow. On September 1 the company expects to have the line electrically operated into Moscow.

Mr. Kennison of Orofino has lost his mind over religion. Mr. Kennison was a member of the White House guards during the civil war. He kept guard over President Lincoln and afterward drifted to California, where he laid the first railroad rail out of San Francisco, when the Union Pacific railroad was built.

The annual meeting of the state board of equalization promises to be or more far-reaching importance this year than any in recent years, and has brought to Boise nearly every county assessor in the state, an army of railway tax commissioners, and representatives of timber, telegraph and telephone companies, who will spend the week talking taxation.

### MONTANA ITEMS.

James Boner, aged 101, believed to be the oldest citizen of Montana, is dead at Virginia City.

The Second Infantry band of the Montana National Guard favored Spokane with several selections during their short stay in the city while coming home.

Under the continuing act of congress for the support of the national guard, the state of Montana has been apportioned the sum of \$11,778.77 for its troops, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1908, and ending June 30, 1909. Of this sum \$8834.08 is to be used for arms, equipments and camp purposes, and the balance for the promotion of rifle practice.

E. H. Stagg, aged about 18 years, was crushed to death between the cage and elevator walls of the Monticello apartment house on Broadway, Helena, recently. The supposition is that he attempted to board the elevator while it was in motion and missed his footing, being caught in the abdomen. He has no known relatives, in the west at least.

The Montana national guard is at Camp Stanley, American Lake, Wash. The guard goes into camp the best organized, best equipped and altogether the best appearing citizen soldiery thus far seen there. The little regiment brings a full military band of 28 pieces, each man a professional.

Interesting statistics are to be gleaned from the returns of the various county assessors to the state board of equalization, as well as that body's assessment of the railroads for the entire state. As compared with last year, the assessment for the entire state will show a decrease of about \$3,000,000, due to the falling off in net mine proceeds of approximately \$17,000,000. This is occasioned by the slump in metal values and the shut-down of several months in the great copper mines at Butte. The mine proceeds eliminated, the total assessment would show a gain of \$14,000,000 in round numbers.

Through railroad lines are assessed at \$17,500 a mile, with others varying from \$5000 to \$10,000. There are 50 miles more sidetrack than last year and 180 miles more of main line. The railroads will pay taxes on \$44,000,000 this year.

The total realty values are \$124,117,983 and that of personal property \$81,789,887, which, with the railroads, swells the grand total to \$249,907,870, as against \$253,000,000 last year.

Freda, the 16-year-old daughter of Conrad Bauer, living 12 miles from Billings, was kidnapped recently by two men, who held up Mr. Bauer and demanded his money. There is no clue to the perpetrators of the crime.

Freda is now in jail at Billings, together with Ernest Hunston and Jack Howard. She says she is in love with Hunston and ran away with him. She was in men's attire when arrested. Hunston and Howard refuse to talk.

H. L. Frank, for the past 30 years one of the most prominent men of Montana died Monday night in Cincinnati. He was 57 years of age and a native of Ironton, Ohio. He was never married. Mr. Frank was a Mason of high degree, and at the time of his death was grand master of the grand lodge of Montana and inspector general of the 33d degree.

Sam Cone arrested last Monday 13 men on charges of having sold liquor to Indians on Flathead reservation.

Jack Chisholm, charged with assault upon Miss Richards at Fortine last September, was sentenced at Kalispell, to a term in the penitentiary to five years at hard labor.

Joseph Fracas, the 11-year-old son of Mrs. Fracas, living at Kalispell, fell into a pond and was drowned last Monday.

### LATE NEWS ITEMS.

H. G. Blasbell was killed and eight injured by falling timbers at Seattle Monday.

James Breen has escaped from the penitentiary while he was supposed to lead guards to Cleci Brittain, who was kidnapped from Walla Walla, and the search for the boy has likely ended.

Indian Chief Ignace and his wife, who were killed by a railroad train near North Yakima, were buried with all the rites of the Catholic church at the agency at Fort Smicoc last Monday.

Overcome by the intense heat, after addressing an audience of 4000 persons at the Winona Lake Bible convention, Miss Eva Booth, leader of the Salvation army in the United States, fainted after leaving the auditorium and is now under the care of physicians at Warsaw, Ind.