

THE SEATTLE STAR.

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The Star is an independent newspaper. It is not an organ for any political party. It has no hobbies. The only mission that the Star has is to get all of the news and to present the same in accurate shape to its readers.

Some persons remark that the Star is small. This is true. It contains all of the news just the same. The publishers believe that a small sheet which can be read within an hour's time, and which presents all of the world's news in crisp, condensed form, will be appreciated by the majority of people.

The Star is printed in its own establishment on a big Hoe perfecting press capable of turning out 12,000 copies per hour. It has the mechanical and editorial facilities for turning out an eight or 16-page paper, but has no incentive for appearing as a blanket sheet.

There was a time when long-drawn out sermons and three-hour speeches were considered "the thing." Nowadays they are distasteful. The same feeling obtains in Eastern cities in regard to newspapers.

The only saving of expense to the publishers of one-cent papers is in the items of type-setting and white paper. The cost of getting the news for a one-cent publication is as great as it is for the blanket newspaper.

At the first meeting of a new national temperance organization in Chicago the other night, a would-be temperance dynamite from Kansas City started the brethren by demanding that dynamite should be used as a "great moral agent" in blowing up distilleries, breweries and saloons.

Of course his notions were frowned upon. Such extremist champions as this would-be dynamite, injure and discredit, unless promptly disowned, the best of causes. The temperance movement has surely suffered enough from milder cranks to be entitled to exemption from the load of carrying a dynamite advocate.

What has become of Dreyfus? The famous prisoner of Devil's Island and his wrongs seems to have suddenly dropped out of sight. Perhaps as a nation we have been Deweyizing to an extent that has made us temporarily forget the barbarous Frenchmen and their uncivilized court-martial of recent date.

The official tape showed that the Yankee yacht was longer than her opponent, yet the rival craft has 354 feet more sail area. It only proves that the builder of the Shamrock was simply carrying the American idea to the extreme. It would seem to beg it.

The New York Herald estimates that, counting railway fares and other things, \$20,000,000 were spent to welcome Dewey. It must necessarily have boomed business to have \$20,000,000 put in circulation, even though "pleasure before business" was the motto of the visitors.

The Boers may be slow in some respects, but they show remarkable aptitude at cutting wires and intercepting communications when they desire that a possible and probable enemy shall be kept in ignorance of their plans.

Would the Indiana clergyman who prophesies that the world will come to an end November 11, 1900, refuse to accept a promissory note from John D. Rockefeller for \$100,000 due, without discount, December 1 next year?

The Columbia is said to have cost, directly and indirectly, \$300,000. The Shamrock's cost, first and last, has been over \$1,000,000. It's amazing what money some men have to spend on their toys.

OIL INSTEAD OF WATER

Well Diggers at Chehalis Find Such Indications.

CHEHALIS, Oct. 9.—The men who are boring for water for the Chehalis Water Company have struck indications of oil. The discovery became known Wednesday and the story was immediately circulated that oil had been struck. It created considerable excitement in Chehalis for a time.

A MYSTERY IN CHICAGO

NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—Detectives today are searching every house on West Seventeenth street, from Sixth to Ninth avenues, in the effort to find some clue to the murderers of a woman, parts of whose dismembered remains were found Saturday. Other policemen and boatmen are engaged in grappling in North river for the missing portions of the body. Up to noon the search was unsuccessful.

THE BAPTIST CONVENTION

The Baptists of the state meet in annual convention this week. The first session begins Wednesday. Tomorrow the pastors' conference meets at 12:30 and 7:30. Baptists from all points in the state will be present during the three days of the convention, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The sessions will be held in the First Baptist church in this city. Rev. Louis L. Bowerman will deliver the annual sermon on Wednesday afternoon.

FIERCE BATTLE WITH OFFICERS

Henry Williams' Desperate Fight Against Odds.

DURANT, I. T., Oct. 9.—Late yesterday evening, near Albany, 20 miles east of here, in the territory known as "Thief Neck Hollow," Deputy United States Marshals Wait and Bob Mitchell and City Marshal Stinson and Ben Pierson had a battle with Henry Williams, alias Bob West, in which 30 or 40 shots were exchanged.

Williams has a number of indictments hanging over him, both in the Territory court and the federal court at Paris, Tex., besides he had just stolen a horse, saddle and bridle from a party near Honey Grove, Tex., and was followed to Thief Neck Hollow, where he stopped with a kinsman named Lotterdale.

The officers here were notified, and went to make the arrest and were divided into two parties, waylaying the road where they knew he would pass. A creek made a bend at the point selected and ran parallel with a wire fence, and the road lay between the fence and the creek where the officers hid. In a short time Williams and Lotterdale came riding along. Williams was telling how he would use his pistol in case the officers ran on him. He was within 30 feet of Marshal Stinson and Pierson when he was talking, and did not see them until they threw their guns on him and told him to throw up his hands and surrender. Instead of obeying the command of the officers, he pulled his pistol and fired twice at them; then left his horse covered and it soon spread to adjoining buildings.

Plumbers Strike.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 9.—Practically all the plumbers in this city struck today, closing the shops and suspending work on many buildings. They claim that non-union men have been employed and the strike was ordered because their protect was unheeded.

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Postal Scales, Bill Holders, Cash Boxes, Bond Boxes

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FARMERS IN OREGON HAPPY

Large Crops and Good Prices the Cause.

DALLAS, Or., Oct. 9.—Beef cattle, calves and milch cows are in demand in Polk county. The price being paid for beef is 3 cents gross and is not dressed; calves, \$5 to \$15, according to age and condition; milch cows, \$25 to \$40 per head. These prices are stiff and sellers are independent. There is no price on hogs, none being for sale on account of the abundance of cheap feed. The rain has damaged considerable wheat, which will be turned into pork during the winter. There being plenty of hogs among the farmers, it is reasonable to expect an abundant supply of bacon the coming season. Mutton and stock sheep are in better demand than usual for this season of the year, owing to the price of beef and the abundance of pasture, which is now better than for many years past in this county. The goat men are unapproachable. No goats are for sale except the culs of some flocks at very fancy prices.

RAILROAD ON THE COLUMBIA

ASTORIA, Ore., Oct. 9.—A party of 14 engineers is running a railroad line on the north side of the Columbia river and now making headquarters at Knappa. There is no apparent secrecy in their work, except that they plead ignorance as to whom they are running the line for. They started in last April at Wallula and have as their objective point Ilwaco.

INDIANS KILL MANY DEER

EUGENE, Ore., Oct. 9.—A large number of Warm Springs Indians, who have been picking hops in this vicinity for a month past, started back toward their reservation this morning, going by the old military road. They have with them plenty of rifles and ammunition, and it is supposed they will be some weeks on the road and will slaughter deer. Coming here a month ago, they are said to have killed about 300, but the game warden was unable to do anything in the matter.

THE BEST FORAGE PLANT

Alfalfa is rapidly growing in favor in Eastern Oregon, Washington and Idaho, where it has been found to be one of the best forage plants cultivated, and where larger areas are constantly being seeded with it. There is such a demand for alfalfa seed coming from this section that one of the principal seedmen of this city is going to Utah, from whence the best seed of this kind is secured, to investigate the situation and the prospects for obtaining a supply. There is a great deal of alfalfa seed raised in California, but it is liable to be mixed with seeds of weeds of various kinds, and so is not in demand. The seed raised in Utah has a better reputation, and is more in demand, and persons who wish to seed large areas with alfalfa desire to secure the cleanest and best seed. Large tracts of alfalfa are to be seen along the Snake river, in Idaho, which furnish the best of pasture for large herds of cattle and produce large quantities of hay to feed the cattle during the winter, and more such tracts will soon be seen in the Walla Walla country and other places in the Inland Empire.

MISSOURI TOWN DESTROYED BY FIRE

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Oct. 9.—The entire business portion of Stratford, a small town eight miles east of this city, on the Frisco railroad, was destroyed by fire last Sunday morning, and as a result about \$25,000 worth of property is in ashes. The fire originated in Lane's drug-store, about midnight. It is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary. The store was wrapped in flames before the fire was discovered, and it soon spread to adjoining buildings.

SEARCHING FOR MINISTER PALMA

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 9.—Gen. Maximilian Jautscha, an Austrian who served one year in the Cuban army under Gomez, is in Omaha, in search of Tomas Estrada Palma, former Cuban minister to the United States. Mr. Palma is believed to be living incognito in Omaha or in Denver, and his late associates are anxious to locate him.

Gen. Jautscha said there was no reason why Palma should seek to hide his whereabouts, his action being due to disappointment over the failure of the scheme to pay Cuban soldiers upon their promise to lay down their arms. Palma is said to have remarked that he would never return to Cuba. That he is plotting to form another junta was denied by Jautscha.

Baker District Mines.

BAKER CITY, Oct. 9.—The Copper Queen mine, on Snake river, 50 miles distant from Baker City, is reported to have been sold to Spokane and Canadian capitalists. The price is not given out, though \$50,000 was the first payment.

Advertisement for Electrozone medicine. Features a central heart graphic with 'ELECTROZONE NO DRUGS NO ALCOHOL' and various ailments listed around it like 'FEMALE COMPLAINTS', 'RHEUMATISM', 'ASTHMA', etc. Includes text: 'We know ELECTROZONE is a Specific, and to Thoroughly Convince and Prove these Facts to you, a sample will be given FREE to all who call at office, 1514 First Ave.' and 'GUARANTEED'.

AWARDING OF THE CONTRACTS

List of Successful Bidders for State Supplies.

TACOMA, Oct. 5.—After a week's arduous labor the board of audit and control have finished making the awards for supplies for the state's public institutions. The awards up to Saturday night are as follows: Paints and oils—Standard Oil company, Portland; A. S. Johnson & Co., Tacoma; and Leonard & Ellis, Seattle. Drugs—W. L. Blair, Steilacoom; Spokane Drug company, Spokane, and Green & Jackson, Walla Walla. Leather and findings—Tacoma Leather & Binding company, Tacoma; Breyman & Co., Portland, and Frank Webber & Son, Walla Walla. Lumber—St. Paul & Tacoma Lumber company, Tacoma, and the Gilbert Hunt company, Walla Walla. Crockery—Rhodes Bros. and Homes & Bush, Tacoma; M. Sells & Co., Golden Rule Bazaar, and Fredrick, Nelson & Monroe, Seattle; Hartman & Nathan, Chehalis. Set Fire to a Child. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 9.—This afternoon Chas. Lehman, aged 15 years, set fire to the dress of a little daughter of Henry Cartwright, aged 12 years. The child was so badly burned that she died. The boy was arrested on a charge of murder, and is in jail.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following is a list of deeds filed with the county auditor: H. S. Abbott to Josephine A. Adams, part lots 7 and 8, block 52, Mercer's second add, Aug. 11, c. c. \$1. Administrator of J. H. Long to Nathan C. Richards, sec 24, sec 25, sec 26, t 21, r 4, September 29, \$1. Nathan C. Richards et ux to Geo. F. Stacy, trustee, same property, Sept. 29, \$1. C. C. Reber et ux to C. M. Hanson, lots 1 to 7, block 2, Rainier add, Enumclaw, Aug. 10, \$145. Charles O. Poole et ux to same, lots 10 and 11, block 2, Rainier add, Enumclaw, Aug. 9, \$50. C. M. Hanson et ux to John Wette, same property, Sept. 30, \$50. M. M. Madigan et ux to Adeline J. Shorey, lot 10, block 34, Gilman park, Oct. 5, \$650. Rufus P. Lincoln et ux to George G. Shaban, tract 60, Moore's 5-acre tracts, Oct. 5, \$900. Charles W. Ellis to A. E. Orr, lot 5, block 54, Nagle's second add, Sept. 30, \$400. Charles W. Ellis to L. N. Matheny, lot 8, block 51, Nagle's second add, Sept. 22, \$350. William D. Farrell to Amasa A. Guernsey, lots 1 and 2, block 2, J. H. Rengstorff's add, Sept. 27, \$10. Gideon W. Morley et ux to John C. Quinlavin, Lake View mine, Money creek district, Feb. 9, \$390. Rufus P. Lincoln et ux to P. H. Osborn, lots 21 and 22, block 5, Second Motor Lane add, May 25, \$1. E. F. Sweeney to Frank Wegbaum, tract 9, Rainier beach garden tracts, Oct. 2, \$450. The Commercial company to C. J.

Smith, block 189, Seattle tide lands, April 20, \$10. A. G. Maris to E. D. Griffin, lots 3 to 10, block 1, Sunset Heights add, Oct. 4, \$165. George W. French et ux to S. P. Battleson, lot 14, block 12, Gilman park, Oct. 5, \$450. Annie Gardner to Rosa A. Gardner, ne 1/4 sec 4, sec 20, t 23, r 4, April 27, 1897, \$1. Charles Gardner to Charles W. Gardner, 1/2 ne 1/4 sec 4, ne 1/4 sec 31, t 23, r 4, June 29, \$80. Same to Rosina A. Malan, ne 1/4 sec 4, sec 31, t 23, r 4, June 29, \$80. Herman Chapin et ux to Bella Morrison, lot 9, Seneca street add, Sept. 26, \$570. Loretta J. and Arthur C. Van Doren to Simon M. Preston, lot 12 and 12, block 8, H. E. Holmes, add, Sept. 20, \$280. August Peterson et ux to E. C. Marken, ne 1/4 sec 4, sec 15, t 22, r 5, Sept. 29, c. c. \$75. Chester L. Foresman et ux to Harvey H. Hudson, lots 1 and 2, block 3, Boston Heights sup add, Oct. 2, \$180. K. N. Denny et ux to J. N. Wallingford, part 1/2 ne 1/4 ne 1/4 sec 6, t 25, r 4, Oct. 5, \$1,900. Sarah E. M. Elizabeth M. and Judith S. Minor, Henrietta M. and Annie C. Haller to D. A. Robinson and J. D. Farrell, lots 19 to 22, block 1; lots 11, block 2; lots 1 to 10, 13 to 24, block 4; lots 1 to 10, 15 to 22, block 7; lots 1 to 7, 19 to 24, block 10, Minor's add, Aug. 12, \$2,000.

AUCTION ...SALE...

Don't forget to attend the great sale of the New York Jewelry Company's Stock COMPRISING..... Diamonds Watches Jewelry AND Silverware AT THE EMPORIUM 817 Second Ave. We give away FREE to those in attendance a Beautiful Silver Tea Set and Ten Other Presents. Sales commence at 2:30 and 7:30. Chairs for Ladies.

A Famine In Pianos

A private wire from Chicago informs us that the Chicago piano factories are about to close down, in sympathy with the Eastern strikes. What with advancing prices, and an absolute famine in pianos, prices will be at least \$30 higher by the first of the year. Some houses in the city have already advanced. Just a gentle hint: "That piano you were going to buy at Christmas," would it not be well to come in and inspect our stock and make your selection now? For a small down payment we will reserve a piano 30 days. Of course, the houses who have been getting 200 per cent. profit heretofore, will not be affected as to their retail prices, but why pay such profits. Our wholesale prices are open for inspection. We want \$10 profit on each piano we sell. But we cannot guarantee a selection, or present prices long.

Ramaker Music Company 1415 Second Ave. Near Pike. EYRES TRANSFER CO. Distributing Cars a Specialty Phone Main 350 Office, cor. Occidental Ave. and Jackson street

Graphophone Records.....

We have just opened a shipment of the latest songs, band pieces, etc., for the Graphophone. All new records and made by the latest improved process. These records are loud and clear and are by far the best yet made. Price, 50c each, or \$5.00 per dozen. Graphophones—\$5.00, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00, \$20, \$25.00 to \$150.00 each.

Winter & Harper

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