

EXTRA EDITION

STEAMER WRECKED AND 31 LIVES LOST

The South Portland Struck a Reef on Oregon Coast and Went Down—Crew and Passengers Missing

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 20.—The iron steamer South Portland, loaded with grain and carrying a crew of 23 men and 31 passengers, struck a reef at Bandog, off Cape Blanco, on the Oregon shore, last night and went down. It is believed that every soul on board was lost, although one report has it that Captain McIntyre and six of his men escaped in a small boat.

The South Portland was owned by the Alaska Coal & Mining company of San Francisco, and was formerly a

collier. She was 507 tons burden and about 125 feet long.

She was at one time on the Seattle-Nome run, coming into the Puget Sound service in 1898. At that time she was owned by the Pioneer Steamship company.

She sailed from Astoria on October 17 with a full cargo of grain.

She struck the reef during a heavy fog and went down so quickly that all efforts to let down the boats and save the passengers and crew were in vain.

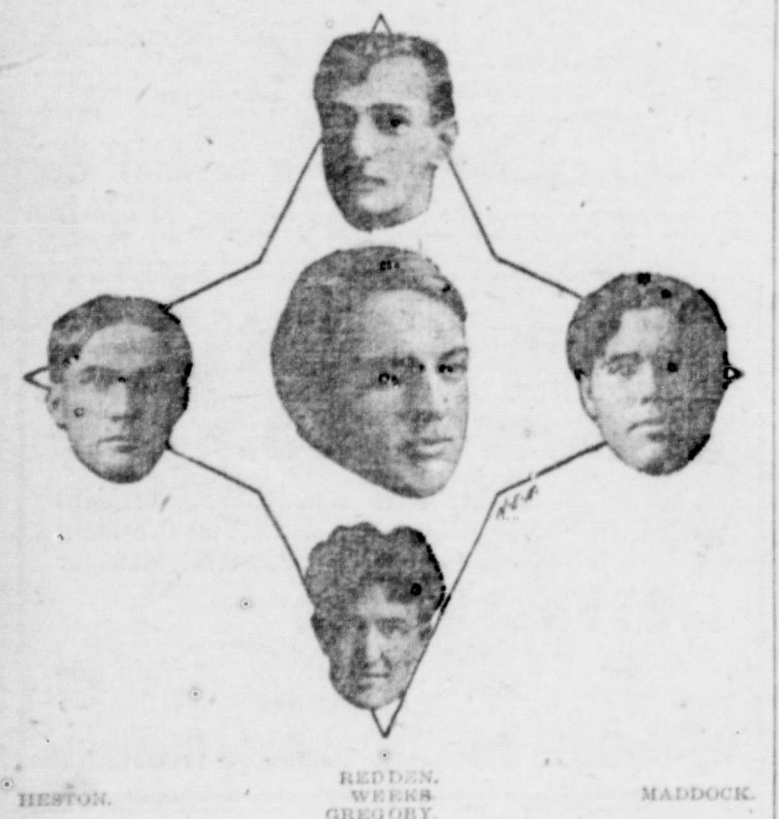
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Alaskan Boundary Decision Officially Announced As Forecast—America Gets All but Portland Canal and Its Islands

LONDON, Oct. 20.—(Bulletin.)—The official decision of the Alaskan boundary commission was announced this afternoon. The decision is as forecast. Canada gets Portland canal, including the lakes of Wales and Pearse. America gets the remainder of the continent.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—The state department this morning received official advice from London confirming

JUST A CONSTELLATION OF GRIDIRON STARS



It has been said that the Michigan eleven of the past three years was a machine, without individuality, yet notwithstanding this, the team contained stars of the first gridiron magnitude. Last season, Joe Maddock, "Pa" Gregory, Heston and Redden were big attractions, and they are members of this year's eleven.

Each was a star in his own way. There were other stars, but they are not in school now. When Yost returned to Ann Arbor, last August, he found four veterans ready to form the keystone of the machine he was to construct. They were tried material on whom he could rely implicitly.

In Gregory, Michigan has a center who seldom meets his equal. He is

MOODY USES THE KNIFE

CIFULLY CUTS ESTIMATES
FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT THE
PUGET SOUND NAVY YARD

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 20.—Secretary Moody has cut the estimates for the Puget Sound navy yard most ungenerously. He recommends smaller improvements for the Puget Sound yard than any other yard in the country, with the single exception of the little insignificant yard at Portsmouth, Pennsylvania and Key West. He gives no explanation for the action.

The secretary asks for a grand total of \$25,225 for the Puget Sound yard. The Marine Island estimates amount to \$25,500.

Under the head of yards and docks, which includes nearly all the new projects for improving the yard, the Puget Sound estimates are \$25,500 and Marine Island \$25,500.

Important items of the estimate for the Puget Sound yard are: \$20,000 for grading and ground improvements; \$25,000 to begin construction of \$25,000 boat shop; \$25,000 toward construction of \$25,000 crane and truck about dry dock; \$25,000 for dredging; \$25,000 for quay extension; \$25,000 improvement of construction plant, and a number of smaller items taking all improvements and items of general expense.

PUT RUNNERS ON THE RUN

BIG HOTELS ASK THE COUNCIL
TO TAKE ACTION AGAINST
THEIR USAGE

As a result of action taken by the city council last night the petition presented by four of the leading hotels was rejected and the unfavorable report of the police license and revenue committee on the petition adopted. The petition called for the doing away of hotel runners. However, it was considered a step that would be generally detrimental to the smaller hotels who cannot afford free buses. So the runners will continue to solicit business. It appears that the larger hotels depend upon the buses to attract patronage and therefore did not require runners. Those who were in favor of the measure maintained that the runners were so aggressive that in some cases they snatched their hand baggage and in other ways made insulting passengers, discomforting through the council, upon argument, did not think this true.

PORTAGE OPEN

The portage lock which has been giving the White river valley farmers so much trouble, has been opened by order of Maj. Mills and the water from Lake Washington is now rapidly flowing into Lake Union. The lock will be left open as long as it is deemed advisable by the engineering authorities.

J. B. Kink and Irene Arment forfeited \$5 cash bail each in the police court yesterday, where they were charged with smoking opium. Bench warrants were issued for their arrest.



Say, kin you all let we all have a little money, dis ma'am? We all can't sell no bonds 'bout you help us.

LOVER SEEKS DEATH BESIDE HIS FIANCEE

RESPONDENT AS RESULT OF QUARREL, A YOUNG WHITMAN
COUNTY FARMER ENDS HIS LIFE TAKING CARBOLIC ACID

(Special to The Star.)
COLFAX, Oct. 20.—Lawrence Johnson, a farmer, 22 years old, committed suicide in the presence of his betrothed and her mother by swallowing carbolic acid last Sunday. Johnson resided on a farm of Mrs. John Dickinson in Pleasant valley. Fifteen miles from Colfax.

Johnson was engaged to be married to a young woman named Miss Renshaw, who was a well-known farmer's daughter. The wedding had been postponed several times. Sunday morning Johnson asked Miss Renshaw to accompany him to Sunday school, but she said she would rather wait until evening and go to Christian Endeavor meeting.

Johnson went upstairs, wrote a letter to his mother, telling her good-bye, and then took a bottle of carbolic acid from his pocket. He drank the acid, and then walked downstairs, laid down on the sofa, and died. His mother was sitting and wept into convulsions.

Efforts to secure a physician from Colfax failed. The body was taken to the home premises known to them, but Johnson died in a few minutes. Deceased was the oldest son of Bryan Johnson, a well-known farmer and was born and raised in Whitman county. He was industrious and bore a splendid reputation. No cause other than jealousy over the love affair is known. Miss Renshaw is prostrated.

BADE HER BABES GOOD BYE AND KILLED HERSELF

YOUNG MOTHER, FOR UNKNOWN CAUSE, ENDS HER OWN LIFE
IN TRAGIC MANNER NEAR WAVERLY

(Special to The Star.)
WAVERLY, Oct. 20.—When the funeral of Mrs. Jacob Munn took place today the details of a sad tragedy became known.

For a cause as yet unknown, Mrs. Munn, who was the wife of a well-known German farmer living three miles from Waverly, took strychnine Friday afternoon and her dead body was found a short time later lying near an old well, into which she had evidently fallen while under the influence of the poison.

In the field nearby was found a bottle containing some strychnine, also a spoon. The poison had been taken from the farmhouse earlier in the day.

A few hundred yards distant, three children of the woman were gathered, apples, all unconscious of the deed of their mother, who brought them a lunch at 2:30 p. m. and told them to finish picking fruit from the tree. They were at work upon before returning home. The children did so, while the mother bade them good-bye and walked away. When the children reached home at dusk they found a deserted house. The father was working on another farm nearby and knew not of his wife's tragic end until advised by Justice Sanders in the evening. Mr. Munn is nearly stricken with grief.

No cause has been suggested for the deed. Mrs. Munn's husband was most devoted, and neither the husband nor children can offer any theory. They say the woman acted as usual yesterday. She was a good wife and mother, and was 28 years of age. The family was prosperous and the woman widely known and respected. Last winter she was ill and an operation was performed in Spokane. She recovered slowly, but last June returned to the farm, and has steadily been regaining her health and was not known to be suffering at all in the past two months.

OUST 'EM

LAW-ABIDING JAPANESE WILL
RID TOWN OF BAD ONES

A strenuous campaign is to be waged by the Japanese Society of Seattle against those of its own nationality who are bringing them into disrepute by their evil ways. The principal blow is aimed at what is known as the Gonda, gang of outlaws, who have been annoying the law-abiding Japanese of this city for a number of weeks.

Assaults have been committed many times, but it has been impossible to secure evidence sufficient for a conviction, owing to the perjury and pretended stupidity of the witnesses.

It is said most of the members of this gang were convicted the "Cherry Blossom" country and therefore have no right to enter the United States. These will be traced and their records secured for the immigration officers in the hope of deportation.

There will also be an attempt to get rid of as many as possible of the Japanese women of ill repute.

WHOPPING BIG SPRUCE

An exceptionally large piece of Washington spruce has been shipped here from the Elma lumber district

TERRIBLE ACT OF A DESPONDENT

John McNeil Shot His Own Heart
Out With a Double Barreled
Gun and Died Almost
Instantly

John McNeil committed suicide at 154 Third avenue this morning by shooting himself through the heart with a double-barreled shotgun loaded with buck shot.

Despondency brought on by heavy drinking and financial distress is thought to have caused the act.

McNeil was 39 years of age and for several weeks had been doing porter work in Welch's saloon on First avenue, near Pike street. Although of late he had been in poor circumstances, he at one time is known to have possessed considerable means.

His brother, Malcolm McNeil of Toronto, Ontario, is a well-to-do resident of that city. Other relatives of the dead man are thought to live there.

McNeil killed himself in the presence of his partner, A. W. Owen, who was occupying the same room with him.

McNeil and Owen had been out during the night and at 7 o'clock this morning returned to McNeil's room over the Pony stables at 154 Third avenue. McNeil lay down on the bed and Owen made himself a bed on the floor in a corner of the room. McNeil got up shortly after 1 o'clock this morning and was seen on the street. When he came back to his room, he passed Mrs. J. Ravara, the landlady, and hid her a checkered handkerchief. At that time he appeared to be in his usual spirits.

At 3:30 o'clock the heavy report of a shotgun was heard in his room. Owen who was awakened by the shot ran out of the room and alarmed the house.

In a pool of blood at the side of the bed the prostrate form of McNeil was found. He was still alive, but his entire left side was torn out by the force of the heavy charge of buckshot.

Police were notified of the shooting. Sergt. Leighton went at once to the

room, which is in the rear of the house. When he arrived Dr. Cowd was attending the dying man, who soon breathed his last.

Mr. Owen was the only one in the room when the shooting occurred. McNeil loaded his gun with the heavy shot and pushed the trigger with a cane.

"I did not realize what McNeil was doing," said Owen this morning. "until after the shot had been fired. I was not asleep when he came into the room last night. I knew he had the shotgun in the room. He borrowed it several days ago to go hunting. The first I realized that anything was wrong was when the gun went off and McNeil fell to the floor."

"At the same time," the window back of him was shattered by the buckshot. I then ran out and aroused the other roomers in the house. I have known McNeil for about two years. He came to Seattle with me from out on the Northern Pacific, where we were working on the section. He talked rather queer last night about being 'up against it' and like that, but I told him that it would be all right in the end. I asked him if he intended to do anything rash, and he said no. I heard from nothing of value was found in the room or on his person."

CRESCOEUS IS AGAIN KING

WICHITA, Kan., Oct. 20.—Crescoeus broke the world's trotting record for a mile yesterday afternoon, going the distance in 2:25 3/4.

Lou Dillon and Major Lester, by a quarter of a second.

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