# CARNIVAL IS OPENED

Woodmen Inaugurate Festivities With Parade.

BIG CROWD THRONGS GROUNDS

Eight Thousand People See the High Dive, the Slide for Life, and Entoy Entertaining Programme on the Stadium.

The Woodmen of the World Carnival opened under the most auspicious circumstances last night. The yells of the spleiers, the music of bands and the folsy mirth of over 800 people biended discordantly in the North Park blocks until mid-

The Woodmen parade started from Thir teenth and Washington streets shortly af-ter 8 o'clock, and marched down Washingto Third street, thence south on Third to Morrison, west on Morrison to Sixth, north on Sixth to Washington, west on Washington to Park and north on Park to the carnival grounds. The parade consisted of several hundred Woodmen and

An hour before the parade started the sidewalks along Washington street were crowded with people anxious to see the uniformed Wood; sen with their mighty axes. The several degree camps in line made a splendid showing and received generous applause at different points of the

Up to 10 o'clock the ticket men, at the main entrance, did a thriving business, and when Business Manager Fenn of the Southern Carnival Company, had finally counted the night's receipts it looked as though a wheelbarrow would be needed to onvey the silver from the grounds.

Along Park street, from Washington to

Ankeny streets, several confetti, candy and refreshment stands have been erected. Peanut and popoorn venters also took ad-vantage of the traffic along Park street and had their little wagons lined up in

onspicuous places.
Inside the grounds one heard the same old cry, "Confetti, confetti. Get your ammunition here. It's all clean and good to est. Swallow the white, chew up the

red and never mind the blue. Get con-fetti; 5 cents a bag."

The crowd was a little bashful at first, but the confetti fiends soon started the fun and there was something doing with the mincement paper until midnight.

What the spielers forgot was not worth remembering. The snake-charmer was "there with the goods" around his neck. The merry-go-round did a splendid busi-ness. The trained wild animal show had a band and hoochee-coochee dancing bear outside the entrance that had the desired effect in drawing the crowd

"Dreamland," one of the sideshows, was unable to open until a late hour, owing to an insufficincy of electric power. "Until the power-house manufactures some more power we will be unable to culogize our shouted a negro spicier, ich to the delight of the crowd,

The free acts commenced at 10 o'clock, when Captain Beach smoked his pipe nder water and did various other stunts o excite the appliance of the crowd. Rose and Lemon then made their daredevil ride down the 90-foot illuminated evil ride nown the tairway, receiving a storm of applause. bubelle, the famous trick bicyclist, rode tight-rope on a wheel. The rope a tight-rope on a wheel. The rope stretched for 100 feet at a height of w feet makes the feat a dangerous one, and the bicycle as well as the rider being overed with hundreds of ministure elecric lights causes a dezzling effect,

The slide for life, a trick done on a rope in midalr, was somewhat of a fall-ure. Owing to the high wind the feat uld not be entirely accomplished, but the little Japanese did very well considering

from the top of his beautiful illuminated ladder, and the appreciative spectators even threw up their hats as they shouted

and, owing to the late hour of beginning the free acts, did not complete its progamme until nearly 12 o'clock.

The Il Queens' thrones on the stage make a pretty spectacle, and reflect credit upon the part of Ed Davis, the Southern Carnival Company's decorator, Hundreds of incandescent as well as many arc fights render the stadium nearly as

ose, Lemon and Canfield, in the cycle whirl, appeared as the first number on whire, appeared as the first number on the stadium programme. The act was a good one, and received hearty applause. Prospect Degree Team, W. O. W., then gave an exhibition drill, displaying care-ful training and receiving an ovation.

The Japanese jugglers and acrobats were probably the leading features of the tadium entertainment. A Japanese slackwire performance was exceptionally good, as well as a group of tumblers.

In speaking of the opening of the carnival, Proprietor Nat Reis, of the Southern Carnival Company, said: "I am highly pleased with the opening. We have en tertained nearly 10,000 people and I fee sure they are all well satisfied. The opening night has financially as well as other wise passed my hopes and expectations

## CANNED CORN CUT NOT MET Northern Pacific Freight Officials Will Delay Action.

Northern Pacific freight officials will probably take no further action in the controversy over canned corn rates until that product begins to move next Fall. The matter is now in the hands of the St. Paul officials, and they are content

allow it to rest at present. There is no canned corn moving at present, and to not likely any shipments will be made until the present corn crop is gathered and the factories turn out their Fall sup-plies. None of the jobbers are anxious to deal with last year's product, and the rate is immaterial at present.

It is an open question whether the Northern Pacific will meet the O. R. & N from Portland to the interior. While the Northern Pacific could do so, there has en no intimation that the company feels matter of prime importance, and will hesitate to take any action

The Spokane jobbers are still dissatisfied with the rate they have been given, and especially so since the "camel-back" tariff of this O. R. & N. only affects territory tributary to the Palls City. The Spo kane jobbers have insisted upon a 50-cent rate and wanted one that would apply to all the canned corn territory. Instead they secured a rating of \$1.10 that only affects Chicago territory.

"camel-back" tariff of the O. R. & N. is a peculiar cut on freight rates, and one that, if met, might stir up some interesting complications. The rate is applicable to the Snake River branch of the road, and as such does not include Walla Walla. Dayton or Pendleton. The territory north of the Snake and west of Tekon gets the benefit of the cut in canned corn rates, and the peculiar situation is ented of compelling towns much close Portland than the territory affected to pay the higher rate because they are a few miles distant from the Snake River cover the route by way of Wallula, inter-

If the Northern Pacific meets the cut food

next Fall, it will affect all intermediate points, and as the Great Northern would naturally have to recognize a reduced tariff from the Sound cities to inland points, practically all of Washington would secure the benefit of a 20-cent cut in canned corn rates.

The fact that the traffic in cauned corn

is light is a matter that makes the freight officials regard the flurry over this rate with more or less indifference, but the principle involved is one that they do not care to discuss. There is no question but that the Northern lines object to the O. R. & N. cut on local rates and would be glad to be able to even up the score. But the matter is not of such serious moment that the principle can be closely scrutin-

EASTWARD TRAVEL PICKS UP. Low Round-Trip Rate to Chicago Stimulates Traffic.

sale of tickets in the Northwest territory under the special tariff that is in effect until July 16, giving a round-trip rate of \$71.50 to Chicago, picked up yes-terday better fran ticket agents had anticipated from the first day. The inquiries during the last part of last week and the actual sales of Sunday and Monday did not indicate a heavy east-boundtravel, but it is evident that the low rates will have alled out a good crowd before the sale imit expires.

It is a rather significant fact that the majority of tickets sold during the days when the reduced fares are in effect read as far east as Chlcago. From this fact traffic men argue that most of the travel out of Portland, at least, is toward points east of Chicago or those which can only be reached by passing through that city. It was anticipated that the Middle West would get most of the travelers drawn East by the low rates, but this is apparently a mistaken idea. The number of tickets reading to St. Paul, Minneapolis, Duluth, Kansas City and intermediate points is large, but the far East is at-

racting the majority of the people.

From the fact that the hot weather is low making life minerable for the people of the East, traffic men draw the co sion that the last sale, to be held late in August, will be the best of the year. This will get travelers East by the of September, and the time limit will allow to spend the Fall in the Eastern States.

## TRAINS TO GLADSTONE PARK. Southern Pacific Inaugurates Special Chantaugua Service.

The Southern, Pacific yesterday inaugurated a special train service between Portland and Gladstone that will be continued until the Chautauqua assembly concludes its sessions. The trains leave Portland from the East Morrison-street station.

The first train out of Portland in the morning leaves at 7:46 o'clock. From that nour until 12:30 there is a train every two nours; thereafter until 6:30 P. M. an hourly service is maintained. The last train from ortland to Gladstone leaves the city at 7:15 P. M. The last train will leave the grounds when the programme for the evening is concluded, and the crowds are

ready to return to the city.

Traffic officials do not place an estimate upon the travel from yesterday's crowds. They are inclined to believe that there will be a good business during the two weeks the schedule is maintained, and one of the strong reasons for this belief is the large number of campers on the grounds. A good increase over previous years is

New Depot at State Fair Grounds The Southern Pacific's new depot at the State Fair grounds, near Salem, will be completed within ten days, and it is expected the travel from this station will show an immediate increase. While the station was intended solely for the purpose of benefiting the patrons of the fair, it is a regular station on the line of the road, though trains only stop when signaled. The old station, small and unsatisfactory, produced considerable business, and it is ly, now that commodious waiting will be shown. During the time the State Fair is in progress the station will be one of the most important on the line.

New Rate on Roofing State,

The Northern Pacific has announced a trade between Portland and Vancouver, reducing the charge from 12 to 8 cents per 100 pounds. There is a large amount of couver Barracks, most of which comes from Portland firms, and the rate was in tended to aid this traffic.

# COMING ATTRACTIONS.

Matince at Empire Today,

The programme at the Empire Theater this week has a new feature in every number. Marsh Craig is a marvel in the contortion line. Christy and Willis, the jugglers, and the soubrette are delight-ing the audiences, while McIntyre and Primrose, the minstrel men, do a clever talking act. Hayward and Hayward oper the entertainment with a musical skit, Married Life a Fallure?" and the lady gives a remarkable imitation of a musicbox on the piano. Matinee this afternoon

Eleven Acts at Shields' Park.

Carnivals and cool weather do not deter ne people from attending Shields' Park. he commodious place was well filled lest nodious place was well filled last night and for nearly three hours the audlence was entertained with an excellent show that ran continuously without a minute's walt. Shields has the credit this week of giving the largest bill of any park in the United States. Six and seven acts are big for a park show, but Shields could be featured as a topliner.

# VERY REMARKABLE.

A Plano Goes Through the Heppner Flood and Comes Out Absolutely Uninjured.

A short time after the Heppner disaster Ellers Plano House, which had for some time past maintained a very flourishing agency there, and which lost its agent in the flood, sent a expert tuner to Heppner to look after its customers' planos that

the flood, sent a expert tuner to Heppner to look after its customers' planos that had been damaged.

This gentleman has recently returned to Portland. He states that while he found a large number of planos had been absolutely swept out of existence by the terrific force of the rushing waters, he collected a large number and shipped them to Portland. These planos are now in Ellera Piano House repair shops, where they are rapidly being placed in perfect condition by the corps of finished and expert workmen always employed by this enterprising concern. In only one instance, the representative states, did he find a plano that went through the flood and came out uninjured. This was one of the elegant Weser planos, which enjoys an immense popularity in this country, and is the property of the Heppner Hotel. It was swept by the flood clear out of the hotel, and when found by the representative of Ellers Plano House was in a cottage some distance away, where it has been hastily placed for safety. After being thoroughly dried and cleaned, the plano was found to be absolutely unimpaired in tone, and, with the exception of a few mars which the case received, was entirely uninjured. While it is possible this instrument did not receive the full force of the waters, it is still one of the most remarkable instances on record of endurance of a plano and speaks volumes for the excellence of the construction of Weser planos.

New Tourist Sleeper Service to the

In connection with the O. R. & N. daily ourist cars from Portland to Denver, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Rallway has inaugurated a daily tourist car service from Denver to Chicago.

For full information, tickets, etc., call on or address.

H. S. ROWE, Geenral Agent, 134 Third street, Portland, Or.

Hoods' Sareaparilla creates an appetit

PETITION FOR SECOND TELEPHONE COMPANY PLENTIFULLY SIGNED.

Application for Franchise for Empire Construction Company Comes Before Council This Afternoon.

A second telephone system is still a possibility, for the franchise of the Empire Construction Company, of Toledo, O., will come before the Council this aft-ernoon. The matter has been kept quiet and it was not known until yesterday that an attempt would be made to pass the franchise for the new telephone line through the Council. A monster petition signed by at least 1000 of the largest business houses of the city was presented to Mayor Williams in the morning.

Twenty-three pages of foolscap are cov-

to Mayor Williams in the morning.

Twenty-three pages of foolscap are covered by the signatures of men well known in every business circle. Little work has apparently been done in the residence district, for nearly all the names are those of bysiness houses.

early in January, in accordance with one of the many new provisions of the charter. Some 25 other boys alos tried for the position, but Berle received the appointment. The salary of the position is \$25 a month. The work is light and throws a young boy into touch with influential men, who can do him many a good service afterward.

MINER ROBBED OF \$1000. George Peterson Wakes Up From Debauch With Money Gone.

George Peterson, of Marshfield, Or., was obbed of \$1000 in a North End dive Monday night. The matter was reported at the police station at once, but the man was so drunk that he could give no detailed information as to the robbery Yesterday morning he was somewhat so-bered up, and the detectives took up the case. Several negro women were ar-rested during the day, but Peterson was unable to identify any of them as the

of business houses.

The petition for a franchise was re- and one for \$1450. At Marshfield he had Cont

to show cause two weeks bence, why a receiver should not be appointed. In the meantime the company is restrained from doing business. The assets are given at about \$150,000, but liabilities, including the capital stock, at a little over \$100,000. The company has been doing arcetically an company has been doing practically no business in this state, its operations be-ing largely in New York State. Today's

order restrains a proposed capitalization of the company at \$5,000,000 and the issuing of \$20,000,000 collateral bonds.

The company is interested in a train of financial institutions throughout the country, including the Central Trust Company, of South McAlester, I. T., and the Cherokee National Bank.

## CONTRACTING FOR WHEAT Everett Milling Company Makes

Good Offers in Washington.

SPOKANE, July H .- (Special.) - Advices from Downs, Wash, west of here, say: From 55 to 70 cents and upward is being paid by Everett buyers who are here contracting for wheat. Many have made sales at these prices. In a number of contracts the purchaser agrees to pay the growers any additional raise wheat may make over the contract price before the date of de-

Contracts have been made to the Everett



ENTRANCE TO THE STADIUM AT THE WOODMEN CARNIVAL.

Council some months ago. Warren E. Thomas, the Portland attorney of the company, has done all the promoting at this end of the line. The franchise pro-posal occupied the attention of the Counclimen for several weeks, but was finally his undershirt. placed on file by the Street Committee. To all intents and purposes the franchise was dead, and the present company secure in its exclusive wire-talk business, Now Mr. Thomas has determined to have another try at the Council, and from all another try at the Council, and from all appearances there is a fair possibility that the franchise will go through. "I have been asked to introduce the franchise." said A. F. Fiegel yesterday.

"I am in favor of it, and I always have

will not sell out immediately to the present company. I think that they should be required to put up \$25,000 as a guarantee of good faith."

In addition to the big petition are a number of testimonials from Los Angeles people to the effect that the Empire isfactory line in that city, and that to all

appearances it is a responsible concern.

The Empire Construction Company is evidently preparing to make a hard fight for business in Portland. They promise to expend \$600,000 in constructing the new

"If all that money is expended in Port Councilman Flegel. Others evidently agree with Mr. Flegel. A number of linemen called upon Mayor Williams yesterday afternoon and called

his attention to the fact that a new telephone company in Portland would mean employment to a large number of en of their trade.
"The new company should be forced to

every wire underground," said Campbell, of the Fire Department. "As it is now the firemen are hampered great deal by the wires when they are working on the top of any building in the business part of the city. There are altogether too many wires strung over this town now, and the new telephone company should promise to put in underground wires from the very start."

## EAST SIDE STATION WANTED. Residents of Halladay's Addition Ask

City Council to Attend to It. A petition from the residents of Holla-day's Addition and other portions of the East Side will be presented at the meet-ing of the Council today, asking that the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company

be compelled to construct a suitable sta-tion on the East Side, and that it repair the streets leading to it.

The petition avers that the original franchise granted the old Oregon Railway & Navigation Company provided that a suitable depot be established on the East Side. This franchise was passed by the City of East Portland before the consol-

The petitioners want the station to be placed at the east end of the steel bridge The petition declares that by the or-dinance under which the railroad oper-ates its cars in East Portland a thoroughfare leading from Holladay avenue to the station be maintained by the railroad company. This station, they say, had never materialized, and the streets are in

# MESSENGER IS FIRED.

Berle Bennett, Appointed by Mayor Williams, Resigns by Request.

After a somewhat stormy interview with Mayor Williams, Berle Bennett, the Mayor's messenger at the City Hall, was asked to resign his appointive office. did so at once, and was thus the first city official under the new charter to lose his position. This took place on Monday Why young Bennett lost his job is something which apparently only the Mayor can explain. Every one about the City Hall is wondering why the messenger fell under the Mayor's displeasure. Mayor Williams knows, of course, but he won't tell. It is rumored that the boy who is 16 years old, had fallen into bacompany, and that he had been doing things outside the Mayor's offic one cannot do and hold his position with the city. His canduct during office hours was above reproach, and no fault

ceived by the Street Committee of the the smaller deposit turned into cash, and Milling Company by D. Doggett, R. Smith. took as payment a \$1000 bill. The banker warned him at the time that it was unwise to carry so much money around with him, but he would not listen to rea-son and tucked it away in a pocket in

When he came to town he met an old When he came to town he met an old friend, who was at the same hotel, and the two had a drink together. One drink led to another, and before night Peterson was quite drunk. In his irresponsible condition he went into a North End dive, and of course came out without his

Yesterday morning, after Peterson was sober enough to give a correct account
of the affair, Deputy District Attorney
Arthur C. Spencer was called to the station to take his statement. Several ne-The Northern Pacific has announced a The last free act and feature of the evening was Mat Gay's 100 foot back sometratil dive. Gay made a fine dive pounds. The new rate on rooting slate when carried in carload lots of not less than 20,000 pounds. The new rate on rooting slate when carried in carload lots of not less than 20,000 pounds. The Northern Pacific has announced a new rate on rooting slate when carried in carload lots of not less than 20,000 pounds. The Northern Pacific has announced a new rate on rooting slate when carried in carload lots of not less than 20,000 pounds. The Northern Pacific has announced a new rate on rooting slate when carried in carload lots of not less than 20,000 pounds. The Northern Pacific has announced a new rate on rooting slate when carried in carload lots of not less than 20,000 pounds. The Northern Pacific has announced a new rate on rooting slate when carried in carload lots of not less than 20,000 pounds. The Northern Pacific has announced a new rate on rooting slate when carried in carload lots of not less than 20,000 pounds. The Northern Pacific has announced a new rate on rooting slate when carried in carload lots of not less than 20,000 pounds. The Northern Pacific has announced a new rate on rooting slate when carried in carload lots of not less than 20,000 pounds. The Northern Pacific has announced a new rate on rooting slate when carried in carload lots of not less than 20,000 pounds. was obtained which would make a case against them.

"Peterson simply cannot remember distinctly who took his money," said Chief Hunt. "He knows some colored woman took it, but he was dazed from the effects of liquor, and cannot fasten the trick upon any individual. It is a hard question to solve. We may have had the right parties in the station already, but Peterson could not fix the robbery upon them. We shall keep on until we have exhausted every effort to capture the women who robbed him."

## CIRCUS LICENSE REDUCED Councilmen Yield to Kick of Ring ling Bros,' Representative,

After cooling his heels in the offices of the City Hall for many hours during the past week, a representative of Ringling Bros. Circue has managed to induce the Councilmen to reduce the circus license to \$500 a day.

The circus license was raised to \$600

some time ago, but up to this time no circus has reached the city. The other day the advance agent of Ringling's show came to town, and when he found that his employers would have to pay \$1200 for the two days' performances beeide \$40 for the sideshows, he raised a complaint. Now the show will pay \$500 a day for performing in Portland. This is \$50 a day higher than the old license.

# PERSONAL MENTION.

Frank C. Baker returned from Seaside W. S. Dwinnel, a timber man from Minneapolis, is at the Portland.

Frank Settlemier, a merchant of Wood-burn, is a guest of the Imperial. C. W. James, superintendent of the penitentiary at Salem, is at the Imperial. John M. Wright, a lumber magnate of San Francisco, is a guest of the Portland. J. H. Ackerman, Superintendent of Pub lic Instruction, arrived at the Imperial

M. P. Kelly and wife are registered at he Perkins. Mr. Kelly is a well-known the Perkins. Mr. Kelly grocer of Walla Walla. Edward Kelly, a manufacturer of lu-

ber machinery, is registered at the Port-land from San Francisco. Henry C. Hipple leaves today on a visit to friends in Conahohocken, Montgomery County. Pa., his old home, which he has not seen for 20 years. He still remembers low to spell the name of the place, bu

has forgotten what it means. E. C. Bronaugh and lamily leave this morning with their own team and outfit for a camping trip of a month in the Kiamath country. They will visit Kiam-ath Falls, Crater Lake, the Three Sisters, and inspect that region thoroughly.

NEW YORK, July 14 .- (Special.)-North western people registered at New York hotels today as follows: 'From Portland-W. G. Arnshe and wife, at the Park Avenue; Dr. F. H. Daamarh,

From Salem, Or .- W. H. Byrd, at the Grand Union. From Tacoma-Miss M. Powell and Mrs. S. D. Myers, at the Kensington. From Spokane-G. D. Finn, at the Astor; A. M. Thomas, at the Imperial.

TRENTON, N. J., July 14.-Chancello Mages today, on application of Attorney-General McCarter, made an order for the Interstate Trust Company of Jersey City

J. Seagrist, George Witt and Olsen Bros., 1000 sacks each, at 65 cents, and the raise for 90 days. To the same buyers, L. B. Turner, 14,000 bushels, at 66 cents, with raise for 90 days. To the same buyers, C. W. Davis, J. H. McIntosh, D. L. Amon, H. Bogartz and Chris Griffith, 13,000 bushels at 70 cents, with raise until May, 1904. at 70 cents, with raise until May, 1904. James Froman sells 1909 bushels at 66 cents and raise for 90 days.

# KENDRICK HAS FIRE LOSS.

Explosion of Dynamite Stops All the Clocks in Town.

LEWISTON, Idaho, July 14.-Fire at Kendrick last night destroyed the Tacoma Kendrick last night destroyed the Tacoma moneys as may be transferred to said Grain Company's warehouse, Hunter lum- fund by the Council and shall be exber yards and warehouse. Northern Pacific pended for the equipment and mainte-roundhouse, four cars merchandise, Myers' nance of the Fire Department." blacksmith shop and minor buildings in the warehouse district. The loss is \$20,000 to \$25,000, mostly insured. A heavy wind was blowing and the town was saved after

great exertions, A special train from Lewiston arrived ere at midnight, but was not needed. The Lincoln Hardware Company suffered loss and the large Kettenback Grain Company's warehouses were in imminent danger. An explosion of 200 pounds of dynamite in the blacksmith shop stopped every clock and watch in town on the identical cond, and smashed the windows in every building.

## COLLISION ON THE INTERURBAN. Seattle Women Injured-Car Men

Resign by Wire. SEATTLE, Wash., July 14.—An express ar on the Interurban, running too close behind a regular train on the same road. ran into the train this evening when it stopped at Argo, just south of Seattle. Mrs. H. W. Gowell and Miss Erland, of Seattle, were hurt, the former suffering inuries to her spine. The conductor and motorman of the express car tendered their resignations by wire. The cars were

# Chinaman Was Murdered.

HEPPNER JUNCTION, Or., July 14 .-(Special.)—The remains of a Chinaman, who is thought to have come from Monument, Grafit County, Oregon, were-dragged from the Columbia here today with a deep gash in the back of the head that betokened murder. The murdered Celestial was seen here late Saturday evening with another Chinaman who has diappeared and for whom Motrow County officers are searching. His capture is considered probable, though little description is obtain-

The body was found directly in front of where the depot was burned, and at first was thought to be one of the late Heppner victims.

## HITS SALT TRUST HARD Court Holds Subordinate Companies Cannot Collect Claims From It.

LANSING, Mich., July 14.-A majority the Supreme Court, Justice Grant dissenting, today set aside a judgment of \$10,000 secured by the Detroit Salt Company for salt purchased under contract. The Supreme Court says that the officials of the Detroit Company knew that the National Company was endeavoring to secure control of the sait market, and the contract is thereby declared to be illegal, being in restraint of trade, and the courts not aid in the enforcement of illega contracts.

# Crown Prince Travels Incog.

VICTORIA, B. C., July, 14.—The steam-ship Empress of India, which arrived to-day from the Orient, had among her passengers Crown Prince Rupprecht passengers Crown Prince Rupprecht Marie Luitpold Ferdinand of Bavaria and the Crown Princess, who have been mak-ing an enforced tour of the world on account of a scandal attaching to the Crown Prince which agitated Bayaria. They are traveling incognito as Count and Countess von Haardt and are bound direct to Bavaria. Rear-Admiral Grenfell, of H. M. S. Albion, on the China station, was also a passenger on the Em-

# CARD OF THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Parker wish to express their sincers thanks to the many friends who extended their sympathy and assistance in their late bereavement.

# Movement on Foot to Improve Department.

**WOULD BELOW INSURANCE RATE** 

City Officials and Fire Underwriters Believe Saving Would Be Effected if Portland Had Full-Paid Department.

"If Portland had a full-paid fire de partment the difference in the insurance rates throughout the city would be as much lower as they will be along the water-front when the fireboat is in use."
This is the comparison made by John C. This is the comparison made by John C. Stone, manager of the Board of Fire Underwriters of the Pacific Coast, in speaking of the proposed improvement in the fire department.

"It would do more than that," said Chief Campbell when Mr. Stone's statement was told him. "I believe that the

ment was told him. "I believe that the underwriters would make a material re-duction in their rates if we had a fullpaid department instead of one whose men

are all over the city during the day "After 11 o'clock at night we he fairly good department. During the day the extramen, who do the work of the department, are scattered all over the city and cannot always get to the fires in time to do the most effective work. Nearly all of the extramen of our department are carpenters, linemen or hack-drivers. How can you expect them to get to the fires in time to get up the ladders as soon as it could be done by men who stayed at the engine-houses all the time and were on hand at a moment's

"The only permanent men of the de partment are the orivers and the engineer. These cannot put up the ladders themselves, as they have their own work to attend to. The extramen are the ones who do the work of fighting the fires, and if they cannot respond immediately to the alarm the flames soon get under headway which is hard to check. You have no doubt heard people complain about an incompetent fire department, and blame the men for not getting up the ladders quickly. They certainly can't get to fires promptly when they are a mile away at work.

"As an instance, suppose one of the downtown buildings should catch on fire during the day. Suppose Engine 1 and Truck 1, which are stationed on Fourth street, near Morrison, and are the best known, respond to the call. There is as driver and foreman on the truck, one engineer and two drivers on the engine One of the extramen is a carpenter and he may be at work in Woodlawn; another carpenter is in South Portland; a lineman is out in Sunnyaide; one of the men is a hack driver, he may telephone in that he is on his way to a funeral. There you are, The engine and the truck rush to the fire and the people who see them say the department is no good because there is no one there to put up the ladders or enter the house which is on fire. That's why insurance rates are high in Port-

"According to the charter no more money can be spent on the fire depart ment than the appropriation made for it, said Mayor Williams. "When the general fund becomes greater we may get a full paid department, which is something I

greatly desire.' Section II4 of the charter provides that not more than P4 mills of the tax levy shall be used for the maintenance of the Fire Department, Section 116 also pro-vides in part as follows: "The Fire Department fund shall con-

sist of the moneys annually apportioned to said fund by virtue of the tax pro-4ded for in this charter and such other

The apportionment for the Fire De partment, which now amounts to about \$119,000 a year, is entirely used up in the

maintenance. "Give us the money and there is nothing we would like better than a full paid department," declared William Fliedner, a member of the fire committee of the Executive Board. "I remember when the department for the old city of Portland ost more than it now do solidated city, and each part has grown

wonderfully. E. D. Curtis, the other member of the ommittee, agreed with Mr. Fliedner, Evidently there is not the slightest oppo-

sition in that quarter.

Chief Campbell was asked what difference a full paid department would make if the same number of men now serving as extra men were employed as perma nent firemen always on duty at the en-

"We have 137 men in the department now and of these only 55 are permanent. The others, the ones who do the work at the In salaries we now spend \$5,821.66 month. With same number of men, 127, as permanent men it would cost an additional \$3645, or \$9,465.66 a month, or \$113,-509.92 a year. But out of that should be subtracted the cost of vacations. That item costs the city \$2500 a year, while if we had only permanent full paid men in the department the boys could double up in vacation time and thus save the cost of hiring new men, which now is absolutely necessary. Then again, there is much repairing around the engine houses which permanent men could do which now is paid for separately. So in the long run it wouldn't cost so much after all.

"We have a fixed tariff for the towns where there is no fire protection of any kind," said Manager Stone, of the underwriters. "Portland gets a reduction of 34.4 per cent from this rate. San Fran cisco, which of course has a full paid department, gets a reduction of 54 per cent. Los Angeles has been receiving a reduction of 40 per cent, and I believe that this has been advanced so that the insurance rates there are much lower than in Portland, and all on account of the better fire protection. I think that Portland is the only town of its size on the Pacific Coast which has not perma-

nent full paid department. "Along the water front there is now a 20 per cent reduction from high tariff, but when the fire-boat is in use the rates will be lowered. A full paid department would make as much difference through the city. In the district north of Morrison street the fire danger is the greatest. There is nothing but the hose com-pany on Second street, near Oak, and the engines have too far to run. An engine company in that district would greatly reduce the insurance rates."

This is also one of the fond dreams of Chief Campbell. He says that the hose ompany now near the police station could be converted into an engine com pany with little expense aside from the cost of a new engine, which would be

about 45500. There was much talk some months ago of the insurance underwriters establishing a fire patrol whose duty it would be to attend every fire and at an insured building to enter the burning structure and cover the stock with which would always be carried in the patrol wagon. This would save the stock of many stores which have burned recently from damage by water. No fire patrol has as yet been started, however.

Gould Inspecting His Railroads. CUMBERLAND, Md., July 14.-George J.

Gould, with his party, paid his first visit to the terminals of the West Virginia Cen-tral Railroad here today, and then went to Cherry Run to inspect the Western Maryland. Mr. Gould said he was much impressed with the possibilities of the West Virginia Central line. He said the contract for the connecting line to Cherry Run would soon be let, and he would have a through line to Baltimore in 18 months.

## SMASH IN MISSOURI. Passenger and Freight Trains Butt With Fearful Result.

DES MOINES, Iowa, July 14 .- A head-on co.lision on the Great Western near Savannah. Mo., early today resulted in the death of one person and the injury of several others. Southbound passenger train No. 5 crashed into a freight train at full speed. A terrible smash-up resuited The dead:

Fireman Stewart Des Moines Seriously Injured: Engineer Brownfield, Des Moines.

Fireman Tom Howard, Des Molnes. The names of the other victims have not et been obtained. Howard was on the freight train. Reports late this afternoon were to the

effect that Brownfield would recover. Over 20 passengers were injured, some of them seriously, but all will recover. The wreck was due to an accident which delayed the passenger train and prevented it from reaching Schuster, where the two trains were to pass on time

### STOCK TRAIN FALLS IN RIVER. Three Men Killed With Many Horses and Mules.

ST. LOUIS, July 14.-A special to the Post Dispatch from Poplar Bluff, Mo., says: A freight wreck occurred on the Iron Mountain Railroad today between Rouden and Gurdon, Ark., south of this city. Two brakemen, a negro tramp and 25 carloads of horses and mules were killed. A box car jumped the track just as the train ran on the little Missouri River bridge, with such force as to wreck the bridge and allow the % cars of stock and men killed to fall into the stream below, a distance of 40 feet.

Last Attempt to Reclaim Dead. HANNA, Wyo., July 14.-Preparations ire being made to resume the work of opening the coal mine here and rescuing the dead bodies of the victims of the dis-aster of June 30. A party of miners arrived last night from Rock Springs, and others are en route from Diamondville, Cumberland and Spring Valley. These men have had years of experience in fighting mine fires, and they will make a hercu-lean effort to extinguish the flames and reach the bodies. If the tide of battle again goes against the brave men, it is possible all efforts to reach the bodies will abandoned, the workings sealed up and a new mine opened.

One Drowned, Others in Jail. NEW YORK, July 14.-William Black, Stockton street, Brooklyn, was drowned yesterday afternoon from a small row-boat, alleged to have been intentionally capsized by the five other occupants. They were arrested and held without ball by the police of Rockaway Beach, on the charge of upsetting the heat and causing Black's death. Black was the only one of the party who started out rowing from Rockaway who was unable to swim.

Rescuer Only One Burned. LA CROSSE, Wis., July 14.-At Fountain City, the Central Hotel, one of the andmarks of Western Wisconsin, was destroyed by fire today. All the guests escaped. Three of them jumped from the second-story windows just in time to es-cape with their lives. The colored por-ter was seriously burned while rescuing

Takes the Wrong Medicine. NEW LONDON, Conn., July 14.—Captain Solomon B. Sparrow, U. S. A., retired, is dead as the result of a dose of carbolic acid taken by mistake for medicine. He was retired for disability in line of duty

# REBELS SEND TRUCE FLAG Meanwhile Castro Prepares to Attack

by Sea and Land. SOLEDAD, Venezuela, July 12 (Sunday). The situation before Cludad Boilvar is unchanged. It was reported last night that the revolutionists had evacuated the city, but this turns out to be incorrect. General Relando, the commander of the evolutionary forces, is still in possession. Yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock a boat bearing United States and Parliamentary truce flags, left Cludad Bolivar, and crossed the Orinoco to La Solina, President Castro's authorities received the emissary, a priest, who said he came in the name of the foreign Consuls, the hishops and leading trades, to ask General Gomez, the government commander, to receive him tomorrow, saying he had to receive him tomorrow, saying he had an important message for him. Learning that General Gomez was not at Soledad.

the priest departed, promising to return. The Associated Press correspondent questioned him concerning his reasons for hoisting the United States flag, as he "Here are the figures," replied the Chief. was not an American. The priest re-

> "Because the flag of the United States is respected everywhere."
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> The priest refused to reveal the object of his mission.

At 11 o'clock last night the man-of-war Bollvar, with General Gomez aboard, arrived here. As she passed before Cludad Bolivar, she was fired upon without ef-fect. The Bolivar anchored two miles we the city and placed herself in contact with the besieging troops. The remainder of the fleet, composed of the men-of-war, Za-mora, Restaurador, Miranda and Vientre de Mayo, are due tomorrow. When they ed 4200 men will be ready to have arrive

attack Cludad Bolivar. The government authorities intend to General Rolando a chance to consider his desperate situation in order prevent the useless shedding of blood. If he will surrender he will guarantees for himself and followers.

## BUILDINGWESTERNPACIFIC Construction From Const to Salt Lake Will Closely Follow Surveys.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 14.-The Western Pacific Construction Company has inaugurated the work for which it was recently incorporated under the laws Nevada. Its purpose is to construct the Western Pacific Railroad from Salt Lake to San Francisco, and the first surveying party under the new corporation has een put in the field.

From reports made by Chief Engineer Dodd, the present intention is to skirt Clover Valley beyond Winnemucca, then to proceed in a southeasterly direction out of Nevada, which was entered from California through Beckwith Pass north of Lake Tahoe. In Utah the surveys will traverse the Great American desert, still in a southeasterly direction, and they will probably cross a southern arm of Great Salt Lake in the same manner as the Southern Pacific is preparing to

Salt Lake City by early Winter. meantime construction parties will fol-low the surveyors from this end and, when the engineers reach Salt Lake, construction will push west from here. DEPRESSED AND NERVOUS FROM

Engineer Dodd has reported that the

work will be finished and surveys reach

Excessive Smoking and Drinking. Horsford's Acid Phosphate, a most val-uable remedy for relieving the immediate in effects of excessive smoking or drink-ing, it cures the heavy, dull headache, depression and languor, and induces rest-