

DYNAMOS RUINED AT PORTLAND CITY

Great Damage and Threatening Fire Result From Cross-Circuit at Portland.

SERVICE BADLY CRIPPLED

Street-Car Traffic Is Shut Down Between the Two Cities, Arc Lights Extinguished, and Falls City Is in Utter Darkness.

REGON CITY, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—Fire tonight did extensive damage to the Portland General Electric Company's dynamo plant in this city. As a result of a cross-circuit in the company's plant at Portland three of the largest dynamos at the Oregon City station were burned out, three others were ruined by water, a switchboard was burned out and all the connecting wires destroyed, rendering the plant inoperative. Portland and Oregon City streets were left in darkness and street car traffic between the two cities was temporarily interrupted.

Valuable Plants Threatened.

Fire started at 8 o'clock and for some time the entire electric plant, as well as the valuable property of the Willamette Pulp and Paper Company and the Crown Columbia Pulp and Paper Company, were threatened. Promptly with the discovery of the blaze the roof-sprinkling plants at both paper mills were placed in operation and further damage from the flames, which partially destroyed the roof and cupola at the electric station, was prevented.

Good Work of Volunteers.

Superintendent Lang, of the Willamette Mills, a large force of paper employees and the members of the City Volunteer Fire Department united in bringing the fire under subjection.

CANDLES LIGHTED AT FALLS

Band Plays While People Wait for the Cars.

Last night the City of Portland and its nearest suburbs were in utter darkness because of the fire in the Portland General Electric Company's plant at Oregon City. A crew of men was put at work at once to repair the concrete plant of the company at Twenty-first and Nicolai streets in North Portland, and it was but a short time until sufficient electricity was generated to light the street lamps and complete power service to the streetcars and factories throughout the city.

BROKEN WIRE BLOCKS TRAFFIC.

Shortly after noon yesterday a trolley wire on the electric railway crossing the Madison-street bridge, broke, grounding and setting the cars on the tracks. The accident occurred at a time of day when the travel to the Oaks was at its height, and created an extraordinary demand for rowboats, launch and other craft which were used to reach the resort. Traffic was blocked for several hours.

AT THE THEATERS

What the Press Agents Say. "The Rounders" Tonight.

The attraction at the Hellig Theater tonight at 8:15 o'clock, and every night this week with the popular matinee Wednesday and Saturday, will be the Kendall Musical Company, in the musical comedy success, "The Rounders." This is without a doubt the best musical comedy Portland has had in a long time, and, judging from the hit this excellent company made last night, crowded houses will be the rule at every performance.

MUST FIND GOOD HOME

Don't fail to see that beautiful Lewis and Clark Exposition style piano in elegant massive mottled walnut case. One of the finest and most valuable pianos ever shipped to this state. See it, try it, test it critically and never let it go. Listen to its deep, exquisite tone, and fault with its action, its touch and dip if you can. Nothing finer has ever been produced anywhere by any maker. Can be had tomorrow at virtually half price, and at your own terms, for you must vacate before Saturday next or forfeit \$1000. Ellers Plano House, 361 Washington street.

Oakland Water System Sold.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 10.—It is reported that the Contra Costa Water Company, which includes not only the sources of supply for the City of Oakland proper but for Alameda, Berkeley and other small towns in the vicinity as well, has been sold to the Realty Syndicate of Oakland for \$11,000,000. Frank C. Havens, vice-president and general manager of the syndicate, is on

tail escaped them, and the disaster will be reproduced exactly as it happened, or as nearly as human beings can come to it. It requires no imagination on the part of the spectators to believe they are gazing from Market street, from Valencia to the ferry, where the ruin was greatest. All the prominent buildings are seen, together with many lesser ones. In fact, as much of the city as possible is spread before the audience.

AT THE VAUDEVILLE THEATERS

All Feature Bill at Grand. An all-feature bill is promised this week at the Grand, beginning with the matinee this afternoon. Each act on the programme is or has been a headliner. The act most heavily featured is Raposo, the juggler. His act is filled with sensations. Bert Levy, the cartoonist and artist, is making his first vaudeville tour in the West. Mr. Levy is one of the foremost newspaper artists in the East, and, like Outsell and Silas, is appearing on the stage this summer. Danny Mann and company will present "Mandy," a perfect comedy. "Her Anniversary Present" will be given by Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood. Clifford and Orth are rapid-fire jokers, and the rest of the bill is up to the standard of the Grand.

Noted Singers at Pantages.

It will be welcome news that the famous Teoban Tavern Quartet is back for another week's management at Pantages. The quartet, when these delightful grand opera singers were here a few weeks ago they took the town by storm. Now they are back with a new programme, which includes a part of the famous opera "Martha" in costume. Supplementing this big musical feature will be a long list of attractive vaudeville features, every one of them worthy of the vaudeville house at which they will appear. The biograph will picture a lively moving-picture comedy, "That Limburger Cheese."

Hotel Film-Flam at Star.

Today the Star Stock Company begins its sixth successful week with another musical farce called "Hotel Film-Flam." This is one of those comical affairs with musical interludes which the Star Stock Company has been producing for the past few weeks. The "Hotel Film-Flam" will be open to guests every afternoon and twice each evening this week. This week the chorus girls will be heard in new songs and seen in new dances and costumes. The vaudeville part of the bill will be up to the mark established at the Star. There will also be life-motion pictures projected by the Staroscope.

Lyric Stock Company's Bill.

At the matinee this afternoon the Lyric Stock Company will present a new play, "Brought to Justice," the title of the coming attraction. This is a powerful play, showing that no one can do wrong without paying the penalty. In this case the villain is a man of the deepest dye, and his plans against the hero, although successful for a time, are eventually overturned, and he is forced to receive his punishment—death. "Brought to Justice," in other words, "Brought to Justice" will be played each afternoon next week and twice each evening.

FRANCHISE IN ST. JOHNS

TELEPHONE COMPANY WILL ESTABLISH SYSTEM.

Present Service With Switching in Portland Unsatisfactory—Short Term Grant Contemplated.

City Attorney Greene, of St. Johns, is framing an ordinance granting the franchise in that city. An effort is being made to prepare a franchise that will be satisfactory to the company and to the city. St. Johns people want an improved telephone service and the telephone company wants to provide better service. It can only be done by establishing a central station. At present all switching is done nine miles away, at Portland. The company will establish a central station at St. Johns.

Officials of the company this week held a conference with Mayor Valentine and Councilmen of St. Johns, in which it was agreed to try to draw up a satisfactory ordinance. The City Attorney was instructed to prepare an ordinance on the following terms: To run 15 years, central station to be established within three months from granting of franchise; wires in business district to be under ground; company to build substantial station in three years; free telephones for city officials; use of poles for stringing fire alarm wires; 2 1/2 per cent of gross income in three years.

The City Attorney will have an ordinance ready by next meeting of the Council. The telephone company will object to paying a tax on its gross earnings, but this part may be eliminated. D. C. Rogers, of the Commercial Club, says that St. Johns does not want any enterprise excluded.

IDEAL CAMPING TRIP.

Free use of camping grounds, water and wood; excellent fishing and good shooting. Transportation nominal. Every one seems crazy for this mineral at present, and I could have sold my own collection several times had I cared to do so. "The Japanese" traders people tell me that the reason there are so many tourists here now is that foreigners are anxious to see what kind of people they are since they were victorious in war. They were here here as said to have spent 30,000 yen for curios, paying 5000 yen for one piece of jade alone. They bought more jade than anything else. Every one seems crazy for this mineral at present, and I could have sold my own collection several times had I cared to do so.

Spanish Cabinet Is Approved.

MADRID, June 10.—The Cabinet, as approved by the King, includes Senor Moret as Premier and the Duke of Almodovar as Foreign Minister. The new Ministers took the oath of office this afternoon, after which King Alfonso and Queen Victoria left in an automobile for La Granja Palace.

Established 1857 Headquarters For Refrigerators, Lawn Mowers, Garden Hose, Garden Tools, Stoves, Ranges, Camp Needs.

The Sunday Oregonian told you at length how this store keeps in timely suggestions of seasonable merchandise at saving prices—Saving in little items needed during your vacation count materially, and to the economically inclined interest will certainly center at this store at all times

The Meier & Frank Store News contained here represents only a small part of the exceptional bargains which are offered during the Anna's Outing Sale

Some of the Values That Are Offered Today Arrange to do your shopping early. For full details see yesterday's (Sunday's) papers.

Table with 3 columns of sale items and prices: \$1.25 Cottage Curtains 89c Pr., 15c Silk Windsors 2 for 25c, 20c Heavy Matting 16c yd, 50c Drapery Cloth 38c Yd., 15c Ladies' Linen Collars 9c, 65c Alcohol Stoves 39c, 12 1/2c Curtain Material 8c Yd., \$8.50 Silk Petticoats at \$5.85, 65c Belts for Ladies 37c, \$3.75 Priced Hammocks \$3, \$7 Silk Waists, Spl. \$3.85, 75c Japanese Handbags 53c, \$3.50 Silkoline Screens \$2.15, \$1.50 Feather Pillows \$1.29 ea, \$1.50 Men's Outing Hats \$1.29, \$2 Men's Outing Shirts \$1.35, \$1.50 Comforters at \$1.32 ea, 50c Duck Washable Hats 43c, \$1.50 Crepe Golf Shirts \$1.05, \$1.35 Gray Blankets \$1.10 pr, \$6.90 Steamer Trunks \$5.85, \$1.50 Men's Summer Belts 39c, \$5.50 Full Size Beds at \$4.35, 40c Lace and Insertions 19c, 50c Four-in-Hand Ties 29c, 10c Handkerchiefs at 4c, \$1.25 Dotted-Figured Nets 59c, \$15 Graduating Robes \$11.75, 40c Swiss Embroidery 5c yd., 6-Ball Croquet Set 95c, 85c Corset Cover Embd. 42c, \$6 Leather Suit Cases \$5.10, \$2.50 Allover Emb'd's \$1.19, 35c Outing Gloves 23c Pair, Ladies' 35c-40c Hose 23c Pair, 35c Handkerchiefs 21c Each

his way East, it is said, for the purpose of financing the deal. The Realty Syndicate people control the former subway system and the street railways of Oakland. William J. Dingee is at the head of the water company.

FATHER BLACK IS HOME

Tells of Visit to Holy Land and Audience with Pope. Rev. Father J. H. Black, pastor of St. Francis Church, East Eleventh and Oak streets, returned from his trip to the Holy Land and Rome on Saturday, and yesterday conducted services in his church. Father Black had been absent several months, received a most hearty welcome from his congregation, and was kept busy yesterday greeting friends. He first went to the Holy Land, where he spent several weeks making investigations among the ruins, which he found highly interesting and instructive, and then proceeded to Rome, where he received a personal audience with Pope Pius X.

SHAKES IN JAPAN

Residents of the Pacific Coast who were in foreign lands did not all escape the earthquake, for under date of April 21 Mrs. I. Frohman writes from Yokohama that she has experienced four shocks, one of them being particularly violent. In addition to earthquakes in Yokohama, she went through sand storms in Tientsin and Peking, a "baby" typhoon on the Yellow Sea and barely escaped being quarantined at Kobe on account of bubonic plague. "Traveling in China and Japan has its charms," she writes, "but also its drawbacks, and these are a few of them." Commercially, Japan is thriving as it never thrived before, according to Mrs. Frohman, the great flood of tourists who have invaded the empire since the close of the war sending prices skyward, and creating a great demand for all the products of the country.

High Honors Paid Schiff Party.

"The Jacob Schiff party left here today, and I am told that the Japanese have never treated foreigners with such special courtesy and attention. There were launch loads of beautiful flowers sent to them on board their ship, even the Empress sending a basket of wisteria and lilies. The Minister of Finance personally sent flowers, and the Imperial officers and the bankers of the city did the same. The Emperor gave them a private audience, and everywhere they were the recipients of great attention.

Wages Fast Increasing.

"Everything is prosperous here, and wages are increasing with the prices of merchandise. The embroiderers are now paid nearly twice what they got last year, and merchants have trouble in filling their immense orders, and, with prices having doubled in one year, it seems that the time for getting cheap curios in Japan is at an end.

SANDSTORMS IN CHINA

Narrowly Escapes Bubonic Plague. Quarantine at Kobe—Land of the Chrysanthemum Experiencing Unprecedented Prosperity.

"A great peril lies in radicalism. Drastic measures are not now called for. A good law has often been rendered odious by its foolish friends. The result of last Monday's elections is not a vote of confidence, I take it, in any set of temperance men, but rather in the principle that each community should have the right to determine, in a legal and entirely orderly way, whether it will tolerate the saloon."

LESSONS OF THE ELECTION

Dr. Montgomery Cautions Temperance People to Remain Vigilant. "The temperance forces have won a tremendous victory in the defeat of the repealing amendment to the local option law. The plurality against the measure is simply astonishing. No one at work during the campaign was ever sanguine enough to dream of such a vote. But here it is and all the friends of temperance are greatly rejoiced. This decisive result must be interpreted as a vote of confidence, on the one hand, of the principle of local option. On the other hand it must be considered as a long-overdue rebuke to the liquor interests of this state. For years they have meddled into everything. They have tried to dominate politics to such an extent that the voters have administered this salutary lesson.

One Little Finn Was Drowned.

ABERDEEN, Wash., June 10.—(Special.)—While five or six little Finnish boys were playing on a plank in the river today the plank was upset and they were thrown into the water. One was drowned and the others were rescued with difficulty, one being unconscious.

George Washington's Prophecy.

Farming Magazine. A bill recently introduced in Congress provides for the drainage of the great "Dismal Swamp" of Virginia, thus fulfilling the prophecy made a hundred years ago by General Washington that some day this swamp would be converted into farm lands. The same movement ultimately looks to the reclamation for farming of the hundred million acres of swamp lands in the United States under a "National drainage fund," which will be similar in its purpose but directly opposite in its methods to the National Irrigation law.

BEETHOVEN CONCERT GIVEN.

Second of Special Musical Services at First Congregational. The second of the musical services given at the First Congregational Church was given last night, when Beethoven was the subject. The choir gave five selections, the quartet giving three, Mr. Hathorne and Mr. Montgomery giving solo each. The work of the choir and soloists was of the highest order, as well as the work at the organ by A. N. DeYoung, who was called suddenly to take the place of Miss Fisher, who has had a nervous breakdown and must rest for a few days.

Cargo of Walden Abbey Afire.

LONDON, June 10.—The British ship Walden Abbey, Captain Campbell, from London, bound for San Francisco, was spoken on May 12 in latitude 29 north and longitude 119 west with her cargo on fire.

Frank L. Smith Meat Co.

225 ALDER STREET, Between First and Second. 651 SOUTH FIRST STREET, Near the Bridge. If you like the trust stay with 'em—may they toss you up. But if you think the American people have had quite enough of the trusts, especially the beef trust, then trade with Smith. He is absolutely the only wholesale butcher and packer in this city who is not affiliated with the beef trust.

"Fighting the Beef Trust"

Then the climax comes. The sound of a human voice is heard. Melody becomes clothed with personality, sound passed into melody. The young man rises and into the waiting bosom of the sea, as with the voice of many waters a mighty chorus pours forth the exultant measures of a hymn of joy. This hymn is a parable of life, and no doubt Beethoven so intended it. It might almost be said to be an interpretation of his own life. Beginning its storm it went on in storm to the end and then in the new world came the hymn of peace.

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