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PORTLAND'S EVERY INTEREST THRIVES

City's Advancement in Year Amazes.

CEREAL SHIPMENTS SOAR

Sound Far Behind and Local Gain Is Huge.

BANK CLEARINGS CLIMB

Building Activity Increases Steadily and Postoffice Receipts far Exceed 1910 Fiscal Year—Stock Market Stride Big.

With the close of the fiscal year a retrospective view of Portland's activity for the last six months shows that the city has made extraordinary progress in every endeavor.

Records at the City Hall indicate that building permits for the last six months exceeded the building activity of a similar period last year by \$1,000,000.

At the Custom-House shipping records loom as more thriving than ever, Portland's outgoing cereal trade exceeding that of the Sound by 3,309,991 bushels and the city's gain for the year being \$1,734,796.

Although bank clearings showed an immense gain in June, 1910, last month surpassed that record month by nearly 5 per cent and the increase for the half year ending yesterday lists a gain of nearly 7 per cent.

At the Postoffice a material increase also recorded, the increase for the year exceeding \$100,000.

Crowning the city's handsome record, the wholesale trade shows that it has leaped to keep up with fellow activities. Indicative of the gain the Portland Union Stockyards shows shipment increase of 232 carloads of stock of all kinds for the half year.

Gain Deemed Supreme.

Portland's advancement, it is believed, surpasses that of any other city in the United States. Within the month of June giving a good account of itself, the half-year period as well as the fiscal year, ending yesterday, showed immense increases in virtually every line of business.

The close of the fiscal year in shipping demonstrated that Portland is in the lead of Puget Sound and other ports. There were shipped from this port 11,032,272 bushels of wheat and 574,274 barrels of flour. The gain over the year 1909-1910 was 1,606,718 bushels of wheat and 357,967 barrels of flour.

Portland exceeded Puget Sound ports in wheat shipments by 3,309,991 bushels. The business for the cereal year was \$1,734,796 in excess of the value of shipments for 1909-1910.

One of the gratifying features of Portland's export trade was in lumber shipping. There was sent from this port 104,956,786 feet of lumber, or only 7,000,000 less than shipped the last fiscal year, which was the banner season in Portland's history.

Bank Clearings Climb.

Bank clearings for every month have made large gains. Clearings for March exceeded those for the corresponding month of last year by near \$5,000,000. In spite of the big record made in June, 1910, the clearings for the month just closed showed an increase of nearly 5 per cent.

The following table shows the totals in bank clearings for the first half of 1910 and 1911:

	1910	1911
January	\$2,825,200	\$4,122,259
February	3,495,724	37,784,245
March	4,341,352	31,492,329
April	4,862,732	49,062,212
May	4,199,362	44,519,877
June	12,146,613	43,992,918
Total	\$245,811,719	\$268,194,914

Compared with other cities in the United States, Portland has made a remarkable showing in building construction during the past six months. Gains were made every month except in April, when permits fell behind by a few thousand dollars of April, 1910, which was the banner year in Portland's history.

ARTISTS' COLONY DREAM IS REALTY

BURR M'INTOSH FINDS "ANGEL"; BUYS TRACT.

Hotel, Workshop, Cafe Chantant, Art Fair Hall and Cottage at Cost Part of Plan.

LOS ANGELES, June 30.—(Special.)—

The dream of Burr McIntosh, magazine proprietor, ex-newspaper man, long-time successful actor, dramatist, artist and expert photographer, who projects a world art center in California, appears about to be realized. McIntosh covered the globe with a camera and decided that this state would be the ideal place for his colony. He bought 200 acres today in a picturesque location south of the city and it is announced that construction work will be begun immediately. It is understood that Homer Laughlin, a capitalist, who is McIntosh's uncle by marriage, is the "angel" back of the unique venture.

HILL'S STATUS IS MYSTERY

Berlin Embassy Proves Anomaly in Diplomatic World.

BERLIN, June 30.—(Special.)—Continued failure on the part of the American Government to appoint a successor to Ambassador Hill, to send him his papers of recall or to take steps to restore the staff of embassy here to its full complement is becoming a subject of acute dissatisfaction in diplomatic circles of Berlin.

The delay in the appointment of a new man is explicable on various grounds, but that Dr. Hill should not have been authorized to bid adieu to the Kaiser in usual form, and that the embassy is left in its present undignified condition, are causes of astonished conjecture.

When Dr. Hill recently went to Kiel at the Kaiser's command, it was supposed he would take occasion to present his papers of recall. As he did not do so the fact inevitably has come out that the American Government had not sent him such papers.

His position, in the curious position of an official who, though practically out of the service, is still under formal commission in the eyes of the German government, and must be treated as a fully authorized Ambassador.

DANCE BARRED BY GAYNOR

New York Mayor Will Not Permit Degradation of Stage.

NEW YORK, June 30.—(Special.)—Mayor Gaynor has instructed Police Commissioner Wingo to take physical possession of the stage of the Winter Garden and curtail alleged improper Russian dances. The Mayor's interposition came as a result of a letter written him by B. Ogden Chisholm, who had bought tickets for himself and Mrs. Chisholm.

Mayor Gaynor, in answer to Mr. Chisholm's letter, wrote as follows: "I have had numerous complaints about this play, and I have instructed the Police Commissioner to interpose and if necessary take physical possession of the stage during the play and arrest those engaged in any indecencies which it exhibits."

"There are certain people here who are doing all they can to degrade the stage in this city. I am sufficiently assured that the play is disgusting."

BUSINESS LEAD IS HELD

Bank Clearings Show Portland Ahead of Northwest Cities.

Surpassed for the week by Los Angeles only, Portland maintains a good lead over all other cities on the Pacific Coast as is shown by Bradstreet's report of bank clearings for the week ending yesterday. Clearings in Portland for the week aggregated \$5,253,900, an increase of 5.1 per cent over the corresponding week last year.

All of the other Pacific Coast cities show a falling off in business transactions. Tacoma's clearings did not equal those of the same week in 1911 by 25.2 per cent. Seattle also lacked 15.6 per cent of doing the same volume of business that was transacted by that city in the corresponding week the year before. In San Francisco, the clearings for the week fell off 8.5 per cent, and in Spokane 11.9 per cent.

BOTTOMLEY FINE \$250,000

London Newspaper Proprietor De-frauded Master Estate.

LONDON, June 30.—Horatio Bottomley, editor, newspaper proprietor, financier and Independent Liberal member of Parliament for South Hackney, was condemned by Lord Chief Justice Alverstone today to pay \$250,000 damages to the estate of the late R. E. Master, a retired Madras civil servant.

It was asserted that Bottomley had obtained \$250,000 through misrepresentation by selling to Master worthless shares in numerous undertakings promoted by Bottomley himself.

The plaintiff is Mrs. Curtis, a daughter of Master. The Lord Chief Justice granted a stay of execution on condition that the whole \$250,000 be paid into the court within a week.

SHOCK KILLS TWO AS BOAT HITS ROCK

Women Die of Fright on Alaskan Waters.

STEAMSHIP SPOKANE IS LOST

Passengers, Totaling 158, Pass Night on Stony Shores.

PORTLAND FOLK ON BOARD

Though Only Meager News Has Been Received, Confirmation Given That Dead Are From Washington and Philadelphia.

PORTLAND PEOPLE IN WRECK OF STEAMER SPOKANE.

Mrs. Philip Buehner, Miss Metta Buehner, Miss Margarita Buehner, Miss Lillian Buehner, Miss Clara Adams, Miss Mayma Adams, Mrs. F. S. Malcolm, Mrs. Lillian Barry, Miss Elizabeth Beno, Mrs. Hamilton Brooke, Mrs. Fred H. Green, Miss Winifred Abbott, Miss Jessie M. Johnson, Miss Josie Sullivan, Miss Rose M. Woodrow, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hoare, George W. Carroll, Jr., David Robertson.

VICTORIA, B. C., June 30.—

Two women passengers died of shock last night when the excursion steamship Spokane, which for years has been used only for carrying tourists to the glaciers and towns of Southeastern Alaska, and which was fitted up for this service and was laid up except during the summer, struck a rock in Seymour Narrows, B. C., and was beached in Plummer Bay to prevent her sinking in deep water.

The women who lost their lives were Mrs. G. F. Williams, of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. J. E. Strauss, of Philadelphia. Their bodies have been placed on a steamship bound for Seattle. At first the women were reported missing, and it was feared that they had been drowned.

A search of the steamship was made and their bodies were found in their cabins, where, it is supposed, they died of fright.

All the passengers except these two were landed in the small boats. The passengers passed the night and today on the rocky shore, camping, and were taken off by the steamship Admiral Sampson tonight and conveyed to Seattle, where they will arrive at 6 A. M. tomorrow.

Reports of Death Confirmed.

Conflicting accounts of the cause of the women's death have been received in the brief wireless dispatches sent by the steamships Admiral Sampson, Prince George and City of Seattle that hurried to the assistance of the distressed steamship.

One message asserted that the women died of fright in their staterooms, where the bodies were found. A private dispatch said that they were drowned.

Mrs. Williams was accompanied by (Concluded on Page 2.)

FIELD TRUSTEES PLAN SKYSCRAPER

CHICAGO TO GET NEW MONSTER BUILDING.

Sites of Old Chicago Opera-House and Orpheum Bought for Giant Enterprise.

CHICAGO, June 30.—(Special.)—

Trustees of the Marshall Field estate today bought for \$2,100,000 cash the Chicago Opera-House block at the southwest corner of Clark and Washington streets. In connection with the purchase it developed that the Field estate was also the real purchaser of the White property, the old Orpheum, adjoining the Chicago Opera-House block in Washington street, the price paid for this latter property being about \$300,000.

This means the erection of one of the largest buildings down town, equaling if not exceeding the \$5,000,000 Insurance Exchange building and representing a total investment of about \$1,000,000.

The sale of the opera-house building means the eventual passing of one of the most famous theaters of Chicago and one which at the time of its construction was regarded as a model. The late David Henderson was the first lessee, and it was here that he made and lost a fortune in his famous extravaganza.

MRS. PETERSON SENTENCED

Woman Known in Northwest Goes to Prison as Swindler.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 30.—(Special.)—Mrs. Inez Peterson, who represented herself to be Mrs. Henrietta Parrelly, of San Leandro, a wealthy widow, and attempted to get \$10,000 on a mortgage on the Farrelly home, was sentenced to four years at Folsom prison today.

While the court was pronouncing sentence the woman interrupted him with a plea for clemency, but was cut short. The judge told her he was not holding her past against her, but that he was convinced she had shrewdly, cunningly and deliberately committed the crime and should pay the penalty. Her attorneys announced that they would take an appeal from the sentence.

Mrs. Peterson was arrested several times in the Northwest, charged with defrauding hotelkeepers and tradesmen. She was found guilty two weeks ago.

AVIATOR BEATS EXPRESS

German Flies 345 Miles With Passenger in Less Than 6 Hours.

BERLIN, June 30.—Hirth, the German aviator, who with a passenger in his monoplane, started from Munich at 7 o'clock last evening, arrived here at 9:08 this morning. His actual flying time was five hours and 41 minutes for 345 miles. A stop over night was made at Nuremberg, and another landing was made at Leipzig. The aviator wins a prize of \$12,500. The express trains make the trip between Munich and Berlin in ten hours. Hirth recently made a world's record for height with a passenger, ascending 5182 feet.

SURPLUS IS \$33,000,000

Panama Canal Operations Do Not Trench on Treasury.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—Revised estimates indicate that the closing of the fiscal year 1911 today will find the Federal treasury showing a surplus of approximately \$33,000,000 on all ordinary accounts.

Receipts from Panama Canal bond sales indicate that there will be no total deficit on account of canal operations.

CRIMSON IS TWICE VICTOR OVER BLUE

Yale Freshmen Crew Wins First Event.

25,000 WATCH STRUGGLES

600 Decorated Yachts Line Course of Contests.

BREEZE BLOCKS OARSMEN

Harvard Captures Eight-Oared Varsity Race by 19 Lengths, Also Varsity Fours—Aeroplans Hovers Over Contenders.

NEW LONDON, Conn., June 30.—

Harvard's effort to sweep the Thames today for the third consecutive year was not achieved, for, although the crimson won the great varsity event in runaway style by 19 lengths and the substitute varsity fours by five lengths, the Yale freshmen scored in the initial event.

The winning crew led from the start. Harvard's varsity eight shook off the lighter Yale crew early and was never challenged throughout the four miles. It was the fourth consecutive victory for Harvard, a record that has not come to Cambridge for nearly half a century.

Wind Hinders Race.

The varsity race was rowed down stream with a fast tide, but with a head breeze that made progress somewhat slow.

The morning races were rowed up stream, also with the tide, but against a moderate wind, and those times were slow as well. The official times for the three races were:

Varsity race—Harvard, 22 minutes 44 seconds; Yale 23 minutes, 40 1/2 seconds. Freshmen—Yale 11 minutes, 53 seconds; Harvard 11 minutes, 59 seconds. Varsity fours—Harvard, 13 minutes, 27 1/2 seconds; Yale, 13 minutes, 52 seconds.

Thousands Line Course.

The varsity race was witnessed by more than 25,000 persons on shore, in observation cars and on the river in a floating grandstand. Overhead rode an aeroplane while beneath stole a submarine.

More than 300 yachts were lined along the course, and nearly double that number took positions for the varsity race at a later hour.

The starting pistol sent the freshmen eight away on their two-mile struggle at 11:26. In the first dozen strokes Harvard pulled out one length in the lead. Yale spurred and won by two lengths.

The varsity substitute fours lined up for their two-mile stretch still farther up the river, with rowing conditions good. At 11:53 the pistol shot sent the fours away. Harvard jumped into the lead at the start by half a length, but Yale quickly drew up almost even, but the Crimson kept its lead.

During the interval of waiting between races, the observation train (Concluded on Page 5.)

FLAG DESECRATED; MAGAZINE HALTS

SALE OF COLLIER'S IN BOSTON VIOLATES LAW.

Patriotic Society's Agents Warn Newsdealers, Who Suppress Offending Publication.

BOSTON, June 30.—(Special.)—

The sale of the current issue of Collier's Weekly was stopped in Boston today by order of the police because it had advertising on a representation of the American flag in colors on the first page, in violation of the laws of the state.

The matter was brought to the attention of the Superintendent of Police by the Society for the Protection of the American Flag. Superintendent Pierce sent word to all captains asking them to instruct all newsdealers that if they sold this week's issue of Collier's they would be liable to legal prosecution.

Captains throughout the city reported back to police headquarters that all newsdealers said they would not offer Collier's for sale.

COST STOPS POLYGAMY

Woman President Says Man Cannot Support Plural Wives, Now.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—The high cost of living is an effectual bar to polygamy, according to President Smith, of the Mormon Church. In reply to a question whether he thought it best for a man to have but one wife, the husband of five wives and the father of 43 children said:

"In these days of high cost of living there is no doubt that the average man is much better off with one wife. If a man cannot support one wife decently, it would obviously be impossible for him to support more. The women of today all demand that they be dressed and fed and housed as well as possible, and the man with an average income would be in terrible straits if he had several wives on his hands, all crying for the latest things in hats and gowns."

President Smith, who came to Washington to appear before the "sugar committee" of the House, said he expected to leave the city today.

He said that polygamy no longer is practiced by Mormons and the man who is caught taking a plural wife is promptly excommunicated.

JUNE BRIDES ARE FEWER

Records Show Marked Falling Off in Number From Last Year.

June brides were not as numerous this year as last. County Clerk Fields issued only 406 licenses to couples last month, while in June, 1910, he issued 425.

In spite of the falling off as compared with last June, the number of licenses issued in June is far in excess of those issued for the previous months this year, and the total number of licenses for the first six months of 1911 is larger than the number for the same time last year. The record this year is as follows: January, 243; February, 212; March, 201; April, 245; May, 258. The first months of 1910 were as follows: January, 197 couples; February, 181; March, 195; April, 220; May, 232, and June, 412.

CANAL OBSTACLE REMOVED

Right to Cross Reservation Given to Big Yakima Project.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, June 30.—Senator Jones and L. M. Rice, of Seattle, who have been in consultation with Secretary Fisher for some time, urging approval of the application of the Klickitat Irrigation & Power Company for right of way across the Yakima Indian reservation for an irrigation canal, succeeded today in having a satisfactory plan arranged by which work can go forward.

This enterprise contemplates the irrigation of 300,000 acres in Benton and Klickitat Counties, and when completed the project will be one of the largest in the United States.

TWO SUFFER LOSS OF EYES

Pre-Fourth of July Victims Lose Sight at Everett, Wash.

EVERETT, Wash., June 30.—(Special.)—With the Fourth of July celebration four days off, two persons have already suffered the loss of eyes as result of accidents. Julius Nelson, aged 35, was brought here from Hartford today, to receive treatment for a terrible wound inflicted as he stood across the street from a crowd of young men and received the full force of a rocket in his eye.

The five-year-old son of W. L. Ismus, of Everett, was shot today in the eye by a boy who held a pistol and the sight was entirely destroyed. The shooting was done in play, both of the lads being warm friends.

TORPEDO CRAFT ASSIGNED

Fleet of 12 to Be in Columbia for Astoria Centennial.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—Eight boats of the Pacific torpedo fleet have been assigned to duty at Astoria from August 15 to September 1, on account of the celebration.

The other four of the fleet will be stationed at Portland during part of the time and at Astoria during the remainder, between these dates. The boats are the Whipple, Truxton, Hull, Perry, Hopkins, Paul Jones, Preble, Stewart, Lawrence Rowan, Golborough and Farragut.

LOUIS J. WILDE IS INDICTED HERE

Larceny of Oregon Trust Coin Alleged.

MORRIS ALSO CHARGED ANEW

Promoter and Convict Accused of Embezzling \$90,000.

BENCH WARRANT ISSUED

Accusation Is Based on Transaction With Telephone Bonds—Cashier Believed to Have Talked. Grand Jury Acts.

An indictment jointly charging Louis J. Wilde and W. Cooper Morris with the larceny by embezzlement of \$90,000 of the funds of the suspended Oregon Trust & Savings Bank was returned yesterday by the county grand jury following an investigation conducted by District Attorney Cameron.

A bench warrant was issued for the arrest of Mr. Wilde, who is in San Diego, Cal. Mr. Morris is in the State Penitentiary at Salem, serving a six years' sentence for the part he played as cashier in wrecking the institution.

The indictment is based on a transaction between Wilde and Morris, as cashier of the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank, dated May 7, 1907, about three months before the bank closed its doors. At that time Wilde, as the agent of the Union Telephone Construction Company, through Morris sold to the bank a block of \$500,000 of Omaha Independent Telephone bonds. For these securities Wilde is said to have received \$100,000 in cash and certificates of deposit for the balance.

Records Involve Wilde.

From the investigation that has been made it is said the books of the bank show the payment by Wilde to Morris of \$45,000 of the \$100,000 cash he received from the bank.

While averse to discussing the case last night, District Attorney Cameron declared that the prosecution has a strong case against the accused. He said the transaction could be proved by the bank records.

Shortly after the indictment was reported William Miller, brother-in-law of Wilde, called on Judge Gantenben and requested that service of the bench warrant, which had been issued for Wilde's arrest, be held up until today.

Bench Warrant Waits.

Miller explained that he had telegraphed Wilde advising him of the indictment and requesting him to return to Portland immediately rather than to wait and be obliged to be brought to this city by an officer. Judge Gantenben granted the request, but at a late hour last night Miller had not received an answer to his telegram.

While the crime alleged in the indictment was committed nearly five years ago, it is contended by lawyers that the statute of limitations, which in such cases is three years, has not run against the offense with which Wilde is charged. It is maintained that the statute of limitations does not apply in Wilde's case, for the reason that he is a non-resident of the state. At the time of his relations with the defunct bank Wilde resided at Los Angeles. He since moved to San Diego.

Morris' Confession Hinted.

The indictment of Wilde is believed to indicate that Morris has broken his long and determined silence and has furnished the officials with definite information concerning the system of "frenzied finance" practiced by him and others in the administration of the bank's affairs. Repeated efforts on the part of the District Attorney to force Morris to divulge the inside facts at the time of his arrest and trial proved futile. He resisted all such attempts and would disclose nothing of a damaging nature against any of the other bank officials or those who assisted in wrecking the institution.

Expose Not Complete.

Morris did not think it would be possible for the state to convict him. It was not until after he had been convicted, his appeal to the Supreme Court denied and an application for executive clemency from the Governor failed, and he entered the State Penitentiary to begin serving his sentence, that Morris showed any indication of weakening.

It is known that Morris has furnished the District Attorney's office with some facts, but the prosecutor's office is satisfied Morris has not told all he knows and which would be material in assisting to clear the mystery surrounding the failure of the bank and in fixing the responsibility where it belonged.

Bank Owes \$2,500,000.

Wholesale investments by the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank in the Omaha Independent Telephone bonds, coupled with other more unstable ventures, proved more than the bank could carry and its suspension was the result. An investigation of the books of the banks under the receivership disclosed that the institution had purchased \$1,200,000 worth of telephone bonds. The aggregate of the bank's liabilities when it suspended was nearly \$2,500,000.

