

PORTLAND CHINESE MAY ABANDON WORSHIP OF GREAT JOSS GUM JI

Meeting to Be Held Today in the Josshouse at 64 1/2 Second Street, When Momentous Question Will Be Decided.

ALL CHINATOWN will gather in a mass meeting at noon today in the josshouse at 64 1/2 second street, to decide one of the most momentous questions ever arising in the district in Portland—shall joss worship be abandoned here? While there are doubts as to the outcome, it is pretty generally believed the matter will be settled in the affirmative.

Should the meeting decide to defy joss and order that the alleged false god no longer be worshipped, it will be a most remarkable thing. Joss worship is as old as the Chinese Empire, and if Portland Chinatown declares against it, this city will stand alone, it is declared, and will be the recognized leader of this reform.

Never was there such deep significance in a meeting in Chinatown, and never has scheduled gathering attracted so great a commotion. The great subject to be discussed is what might well be termed the "paramount issue" in Chinese circles. It is an issue which Chinese say must be settled for all time.

Joss worship with all its heathen rites, has held sway wherever Chinese have gone, and until recent years Portland's Chinatown was no exception.

KELSO, CASTLE ROCK AND KALAMA ARE IN A COUNTY SEAT FIGHT

WITH three live little cities in the field for the county seat, things promised to be very hot in the contest in Clatsop County, Wash., very shortly. Kalama now holds the coveted seat of county government, with Kelso and Castle Rock hot on the trail.

Yesterday forenoon A. W. Carner, postmaster at Castle Rock, arrived in Portland with a certified check for \$5000 to show the good faith of his city in the contest. This check was placed in escrow at a local bank. The citizens of Kelso and Castin recently placed \$15,000 in a Portland bank under similar conditions.

"We feel we should have the county seat and are going to make an active campaign for the place," said Postmaster Carner, who is secretary of the Castle Rock county seat committee, and the matter will be decided at the county polls, and the town that can carry a three-fifths vote gets the plum. Castle Rock county to be the county seat, if the vote is cast for Kelso. Kelso made the claim that we were not in earnest, that we were talking much but giving no substantial evidence of our good faith. The check for \$5000 however, should establish that we mean business.

In depositing the draft with the Bankers & Lumbermen's Bank, the Castle Rock representative left the following statement of conditions under which the deposit was made:

Castle Rock, Wash., Oct. 28.—This draft, drawn by the Castle Rock Bank, No. 1074, on the Merchants' National Bank of Portland, Or., for the sum of twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars, payable to the Board of County Commissioners of Clatsop County, Washington, will be deposited in escrow with Bankers & Lumbermen's Bank of Portland, Or., until the Board of County Commissioners of Clatsop County, Washington, will vote upon the question of moving the county seat of said county to Castle Rock, Wash., at the regular election to be held November 6, 1906. In the event that Castle Rock shall receive three-fifths of the vote cast for county seat, and the same be shown by the certificate of the County Auditor on the result of said election, and Castle Rock be made the county seat of said county, then and

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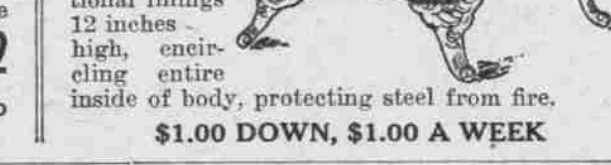


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FAMOUS RAGER RETIRES

MAJOR DAINGERFIELD TO END DAYS ON TEXAS RANCH. One of the Few Horses Who Won More Than \$100,000 in Purses.

Major Daingerfield, the winner of several of the most notable races in this country, and one of the few horses who won over \$100,000, has been sold by Goldblatt to Sam H. Lazarus for \$5000. He is now at Churchill Downs, in Louisville, where he will be thrown out of training two weeks ago. Major Daingerfield was bred on Texas turtman's ranch, where he will be at the head of the stud.

Mr. Lazarus has had a covetous eye on Major Daingerfield for stud duty for some time, and when he met Mose Goldblatt, he straightway began to talk business, with the result that the sale was effected at a figure which is generally regarded as remarkably low. The horse is big, strong, black, well-bred, being by Handspring-Moon Drott, and there is every reason to believe he will be a successful sire.

The exact amount won by Major Daingerfield is \$106,590, and practically all of it was won in the East. His most notable performances were in the Brooklyn Derby, The Tidal, the Annual Champion, the Parkway and the Long Island Handicap.

Major Daingerfield in his racing days was what many horsemen call a "rogue." He was cunning and tricky, and no trainer seemed to be able to get a line on his disposition. He had great speed and stability, and when he pleased could put up a fine exhibition of gameness. Often, however, at the very time when he was figured as a certain winner he would slink and allow second and third-rate horses to beat him.

It is said that no matter whether they do or not Charley Barr will not again handle a 50-footer. What Barr has in mind is not known, but it is rumored that he will be at the helm of the Ingomar, and that Commodore Plant will again put his famous schooner in commission. It is also intended to make extensive alterations in Elmina, which will practically make out a new boat, so that with Queen, Elmina, Ingomar and three new 50-footers out the outlook for big schooner racing is exceptionally bright.

If Harry Maxwell does not race Yankee he may be a competitor in the new 57-footer class. No definite announcement is yet made by George M. Pynchon or Harry F. Lippitt as to the composition of their class, but five names mentioned as possibilities are E. D.

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MANY NEW YACHTS PLANNED

New York Racing Men Will Prepare for Aquatic Sport. There are various important plans brewing in the East for yacht racing for next season. Most important was the statement positively made by a man in close touch with racing affairs that Frank M. Smith, owner of the Effort, would build a 90-footer. It is stated that there will be two others built in the class, and that one of these will be for C. Oliver Iselin. It is probable that later there may be further accessions to the list, for the building fever is strong among those who foster the racing of large yachts.

Aged Nimrod Active

Four score years of active life have not dampened the sportsman's enthusiasm of "Uncle George" Watson, of Bismarck, N. D., who was recently elected president of the North Dakota Sportsman's Association. For the last 25 years Mr. Watson has ranked as one of the most indefatigable hunters of the state. Previous to that time he chased game, little and big, through Illinois, Ohio, Iowa, Minnesota and Pennsylvania, his career as a nimrod beginning in the early '60s. He boasts that he is good for many more years of the sport.

Belmont Track Is Fast

That the Belmont track is remarkably fast is again shown by the records broken at the present meeting, as follows: October 8, 1-5-16 miles, 2:19 3-5, by Ironsides; October 15, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:18-1-5, by Oxford; October 16, 7 furlongs, 1:22 by Roseben; on October 17, 5/8 furlongs, 1:17-1-5, by Voorrees; October 19, 6 1/2 furlongs, 1:16-3-5, by Lady Vera. Considering the claim in the East that this year's horses are hardly up to standard the showing becomes the more notable. Probably the sprinting feats may be due to the straighter course.

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