

# MILL MEN BANQUET

### Governor and Mayor Address Big Organization.

## AT THE COMMERCIAL CLUB

Oregon and Washington Association Indulges in Discussion Railroad and Lumber Situation—W. B. Kay Is Toastmaster.

The annual banquet of the Oregon and Washington Lumbermen's Association given at the Commercial Club last night was attended by representative men from all parts of the Northwest, and a number of addresses were made. In a few years this association has come into prominence and the membership has increased from 13 to 195 since its organization in May, 1905. W. B. McKay acted as toastmaster.

### COMES TO INTEREST SOCIETY IN MADAM BUTTERFLY.



Mr. Henri Gressitt was a guest in Portland several days last week and had many interesting facts to relate about the Savage production of Madam Butterfly, with which he is connected. He has the distinction of being what might be termed an advance society representative, keeping several weeks ahead of the company and interesting society in the novel forms of "Butterfly" entertainments which are now so much in vogue in the East.

and the first speaker was Governor Chamberlain. In a brief address he condemned the Government policy in withdrawing vast areas of timber land in Oregon. "Forest reserves for the protection of water and timber are all right," said the Governor, "but should all timber lands that are now proposed be withdrawn it will work a great injury to the lumber industry in Oregon and seriously affect the commercial interests of the entire Northwest." Governor Chamberlain was followed by Mayor Lane, who spoke in a humorous vein and had the large audience in an uproar during his speech. The theme of Mayor Lane's address was the benefit to be derived by the association of men of different professions. "Chamberlain is a good Governor, but could he run a sawmill?" asked the Mayor. "However, the association of bodies of men gives an opportunity for the exchange of ideas and perhaps the Governor's address will be of benefit to this association. Even the humblest

man is superior to the most brilliant in some things, and often imparts knowledge of great value. There is nothing that the efforts of combined minds cannot accomplish and in the future we may be doing business with Mars and other planets. The best instruction I ever received in my life was from an insane patient and his training fitted me for the position I now hold."

### Mayor Makes 'Em Laugh.

A roar of laughter greeted this remark and the Mayor was unable to continue for several minutes. He gave as an illustration of what combined and concentrated effort will do the rise of the Japanese Empire to one of the strongest powers in the world. Portland he declared to be the greatest lumber-producing city in the world. Franklin B. Cole was the next speaker, and he put the crowd in good humor by a number of stories. He said in part: "Your Governor said the Michigan and Minnesota lumbermen who have visited Oregon have taken away with them nothing but pleasant memories. There is no reason why they should take anything else, as the city seems well guarded by an efficient police force." Mr. Cole touched on the rail shortage and stated that he considered this the greatest handicap to the lumbering interests of the Northwest. Mr. Cole is well known on the coast as publisher of the West Coast Lumberman.

### Beckman's Strong Speech.

Victor Beckman, of Seattle, was called on next, and he gave a strong address and some startling statistics concerning the present congestion of traffic, caused by the car shortage. He said: "The condition in Oregon is nothing compared to what it is in Washington. In one place the grass has grown entirely over a loaded freight car. Another instance might be given where a car was nine days in going four miles. The average rate of freight cars on the Northern Pacific is only 39 miles in 24 hours, so it is easy to see the causes of the present congestion. Oregon is to be congratulated on her determination to have a railroad commission, and in a few years I feel assured the great benefits to the state will result."

A. C. Dixon, who has been at the Legislature on behalf of the railroad commission, made a brief address, praising the work of the Oregon Legislature in enacting railroad legislation. The closing address was given by George P. Cornwall. He told of his experience at the Legislature, and expressed himself as well pleased at the passage of the railroad commission bill. He said further: "Oregon has a vast, undeveloped empire, and what we need to develop it is box-cars." After the banquet the members adjourned to the club rooms.

### TEN CHINESE IN DRAGNET

#### First Raid for Several Weeks Made Last Night.

Ten Chinese were arrested at 10:30 o'clock last night in a raid at 145 1/2 Second street, led by Detective Sergeant Batty, and assisted by Patrolman James Anderson, Police Electrician Gifford and Acting Detective Kienle. Charges of gambling and of frequenting a gambling-house were placed against them and they were released on bail. This is the first raid made in some time in the Chinese district, although reliable information is to the effect that more than 30 fan-tan games and several lotteries are running constantly. Former raids have been made by officers other than those regularly assigned to Chinatown, and last night Acting Detectives Batty and Mallett, comprising the Chinatown detail, were not in on this raid. They have been singularly inactive for many weeks, making no important arrests. A Chinese merchant on Second street is authority for the statement that the police are being paid \$10 a week for each fan-tan game, but he says he does not know which officers get the money.

### Rapid Progress on Culebra Cut.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Secretary Taft received the following dispatch today from Chief Engineer Stevens at Culebra: "February, with 23 working days, will probably equal the best of any month in Culebra, and March will show 80,000 cubic yards excavation."

## LIFE HANGING IN BALANCE

### BRIDGE ACCIDENT VICTIM IN CRITICAL CONDITION.

#### Elmer Thompson's Sweetheart Watches at His Bedside—Coroner's Verdict Falls to Fix Blame.

The life of Elmer Thomas, an ex-member of the Portland Police Department, hangs in the balance at the Good Samaritan Hospital, as the result of the injuries he received in the collapse of the Late Pence flume across Balch's Gulch at 11 o'clock Friday morning. His back was broken. Beside his cot much of the time sits Miss Louie Beier, his fiancee. He is cheerful, but does not know how seriously he is hurt. Thomas J. Jewell, whose

### KILLED BY THE COLLAPSE OF BALCH'S GULCH BRIDGE.



Hugh B. Purdin.

legs and arms were broken, is not out of danger, but G. A. Brown and John Holdsworth, who were but slightly injured, are rapidly recovering. A jury impaneled by Acting Coroner Arthur L. Finley brought in the following verdict yesterday noon: "That the deceased, Hugh B. Purdin, came to his death at the Good Samaritan Hospital on the 15th day of February, 1907, about 2 o'clock P. M. from the effects of injuries received about 11 A. M. of the same day by falling from the flume bridge under course of construction across Balch's Gulch, about 300 feet south of Willamette Heights Bridge. From the evidence submitted to the jury, we find that the accident was caused by the slipping of the sling which was improperly adjusted around a 15-foot bent, while same was being raised to a position, said sling being fastened to a hook and tackle, which allowed the bent to fall across the stringers upon which the workmen were standing, causing same to break, precipitating the men 49 feet to the ground below." Purdin's body was shipped to Hillsboro last night, where the funeral services will be held tomorrow under the auspices of the Woodmen of the World, of which order he was a member.

### Salem to Debate Whitman.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Willamette University will debate Whitman at Salem in April. The question which was submitted by the Whitman (sam) ten days ago is, "Resolved, That the fifteenth amendment has not been justified." Whitmanette will uphold the affirmative and Whitman the negative. The Willamette team consists of Walter Winslow, H. L. Parcel and John Richison.

### Lecture at Socialist Hall.

Charles Thompson of San Francisco, will speak tonight at Socialist hall, 309 Davis street on "The Curse of Superstition."

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Joe Kelley will have a lively and aggressive bunch of players in Toronto next season. Besides himself Kelley has Billy Phelan, Jim Flood, Jack Thorne, Jimmy Frick in his infield and outfield.

### "Schools for Politicians."

The Mount Labor Home Training Circle held an interesting meeting Friday afternoon, the subject being "Civil Municipal Law in the Schools," presented by Mrs. W. E. Potter, who believes that our schools should be a training place for young politicians—not politicians in the ordinary understanding of that word, but politicians who place civic virtues ahead of all private gains and selfishness, and who are trained to know the workings of our elective and administrative systems.

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## VAN HORN FILES ANSWER

### SAYS HE DID NOT ELOPE WITH NEW YORK MAN'S WIFE.

Declares He Married Her After She Had Secured Divorce and That Her Children Now Have Home.

In an answer filed in the local United States Circuit Court Friday afternoon, Willis Van Horn denies almost everything Edward E. Philpott of Niagara Falls, N. Y., says about him, particularly regarding Van Horn's elopement with the New Yorker's wife as set forth in a \$26,000 damage suit filed here last October. According to Philpott, Van Horn, who formerly resided at Niagara Falls, not only eloped with the complainant's wife Mary E. Philpott, but took the two children, Edward W. Philpott, aged 12, and Marion Philpott, aged 10, with him when the couple came to Oregon in the summer of 1905. Van Horn, in his answer, admits that he accompanied Mrs. Philpott from Buffalo, New York, on or about the 25th day of July, 1905, and came with her to the State of Oregon, and that she had with her her two children. Defendant further admits that ever since the 25th day of February, 1906, he has lived with Mrs. Philpott and her children, and has held himself and her to be husband and wife. That, except as above expressly admitted, the defendant denies each and every allegation contained in Philpott's complaint. The defendant, as a separate answer, says that Philpott, about a year ago, procured a final decree divorcing him from his wife. Van Horn also alleges that Mrs. Philpott never had any love or affection for plaintiff, but on the contrary, had always disliked him; that plaintiff did not properly support and care for her and the children; that he was cruel, and mistreated her, and inflicted upon her personal indignities; that his depraved and selfish disposition and dissolute habits and degraded course of life caused her great humiliation and suffering in consequence of which she and plaintiff lived together unhappily; that such unhappiness was not caused by any undue intimacy with defendant, Van Horn; that she came to the coast of her own free will and was not enticed by defendant. That in February, 1906, after she had been divorced from Philpott, she was married to Van Horn, and that her two children have a good home and are contented and happy.

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