

FLAMES CAUSE HOSPITAL PANIC

Fire Destroys Laundry Building of City Hospital on Blackwell's Island.

LAUNDRESSES RESCUED WITH MUCH DIFFICULTY

Patients Make Frantic Efforts to Jump From Windows in Their Excitement.

(Journal Special Service.)
New York, Dec. 25.—The four-story laundry building of the city hospital on Blackwell island was destroyed by fire this morning. Sixty-five laundresses on the top floor were rescued with difficulty and the 100 patients in the hospital were thrown into a panic. The loss is \$50,000.

When the fire was discovered every avenue of escape from the top floor was to all appearances cut off. Quick action of the firemen with ladders and nets, however, resulted in the final rescue of all the women, many of whom were in a fainting condition.

While this was being done the inmates of the hospital, more than 700 in number, were in a state of panic. Women were hysterically praying and weeping, while men who a few moments before were scarcely able to move, made frantic efforts to jump from windows to the ground below. Attendants assisted by the police finally succeeded in restoring quiet, though it is feared the effect of the excitement may prove serious to several patients.

SHERIFF'S GRAFT IS NOT WORKED BY WORD

Sheriff Word today produced figures showing that no "sheriff's graft" is worked in Multnomah county in the transportation of insane patients to Salem, as intimated in dispatches that came from the capitol. The assertion was made that the sheriff here has \$18.96 for each patient, and in some instances \$18.75, when an additional guard is sent.

Sheriff Word asserts that the exact sum paid the sheriff for conveying insane patients to Salem is \$10.95, of which the items are: Four dollars and 35 cents for two guards and one from Salem, at \$1.65 each; \$2 hack hire to Portland passenger station; \$2.50 hack hire in Salem; \$1.50 for supper, bed and breakfast of guard in Salem; \$10.95 in all. This money goes to the sheriff, and the \$8 per diem paid by the state goes into the county treasury. In no case does it go to the sheriff. Furthermore, frequently one guard takes two patients, the additional expense being merely one extra fare to Salem.

These figures apply to Multnomah county and have no reference to other counties.

"It is apparent," said Sheriff Word, "that the statement that was sent to Salem has politics at the bottom of it. However, so far as concerns this county there is no so-called 'sheriff's graft.' We receive only actual expenses necessary for the transportation of the patient to Salem."

These figures do not apply to the transportation of prisoners, who are compelled to walk to the station.

Clergymen Attention.

Applications for clergy certificates for 1937 may be had by calling at O. R. & N. general passenger department, room 2 Worcester building, or on C. W. Stinger, city ticket agent, Third and Washington streets.

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MISTLETOE HUNG IN CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Spence kissed the teacher, and the teacher kissed him. It was more kissing than I ever saw before, but we didn't care."

She wouldn't have been kissed. Other girls take a different view of the affair. They don't go to school to be kissed, they said, and "would like to see the impudent things try to kiss them."

"I wasn't at school yesterday," said one young woman. "If I had been none of those mean things should have kissed me, even if the teacher had held all the mistletoe in Oregon over my head. I'm so glad the girl from the other room scratched that boy's face. He was the boldest thing I ever heard of."

Before the mistletoe was introduced the teacher carefully surveyed the couples that had been arranged at the desks to devour the peanuts. She pronounced it in said, Miss Nora True and William Spence the handsomest couple in the room. He showed his appreciation of this by kissing Miss Hamilton.

Since the mistletoe incident and the teacher's remark about the handsomest pair in the room indignation meetings have been held among the mothers whose girls go to the school. No allusion is made at the meetings to the teacher's remark about the handsomest pair in the room indignation meetings have been held among the mothers whose girls go to the school. No allusion is made at the meetings to the teacher's remark about the handsomest pair in the room indignation meetings have been held among the mothers whose girls go to the school.

Miss Hamilton declared today that she would give no information concerning the affair. It was strictly a private matter, she said, and the public was not in the least interested.

"It was just a little affair of our own," she said, "and nobody's business except ours. You don't get any information from me about it."

"I have heard nothing of it," said John T. Gregg, principal of the school. "Many of the teachers had exercised yesterday before closing for the year, but I know nothing about the mistletoe episode."

SEEK IRRIGATION FOR KLAMATH LAND

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That the chief engineer of the reclamation service is hereby respectfully requested to diligently prosecute said project, and if the Klamath project is found feasible to build the same as an interstate enterprise; and be it further

Resolved, That the representatives in both congressional and state legislative bodies be and hereby are respectfully requested to lend their aid and assistance to the reclamation service in the carrying out of such legislation as may be required.

To these favorable replies are being received.

ATHLETE IS BESTED BY JIU JITSU MAN

(Journal Special Service.)
New York, Dec. 25.—Five star athletes of the New York police force yesterday went to headquarters to act as subjects in experiments in jiu-jitsu. Hagashi, formerly teacher of jiu-jitsu at Kido, summoned Commissioner McArdoo and illustrated the Japanese method of defense and offense.

The policemen are all powerful men. Hagashi is 5 feet 3 inches tall and weighs 120 pounds. He began with a policeman known as Ajax because of his marvelous strength. Ajax duplicated the feats of the strong men in the circus. He towered like a giant over the diminutive Jap, but after a brief tussle the Jap had him down limp and black in the face.

Ajax tried again, and in a second was down again, showing such signs of distress that the other five policemen rushed to pull the little Jap off. The other policemen were not willing to let the Jap try jiu-jitsu on them.

MAY FIND AMERICAN WIVES.

(Journal Special Service.)
London, Dec. 25.—Among the persons of note booked to sail for New York tomorrow are Sir Westman Pearson and his wife. Sir Westman is England's foremost railway contractor and is the possessor of a vast fortune. Accompanying the Pearsons to America are their son Clive, who will inherit a large share of his father's wealth, and young George Churchill, son of Lady Edward Churchill, who will eventually succeed to great estates through his mother's family, while his father also is a rich man.

Merry Dancers.

Ladies' last chance to select their partners for the closing leap-year party of 1936 will be the Eagles' grand New Year ball, Saturday night, December 31, 1936. "Dancing the old year out and the new year in," to the entrancing music of one of Portland's best dancing orchestras. All ladies and gentlemen are invited. Gentlemen 50 cents, ladies 25 cents.

A free electrical panorama at the corner of Third and Alder streets, from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m.

BOYS OF PORTLAND ENLIST IN THE NAVY

Nearly a Score of Lads Go From Here to Ship With Uncle Sam.

Nearly a score of Portland boys have joined the navy since a recruiting station was established in this city six weeks ago. Fifty-three is the total enlistments up to 10 o'clock this morning. Of this number, many were grown men: plumbers, printers, carpenters, loggers, engineers, brickmen, street cleaners, students of human nature and other trades and occupations were represented. About one half chose to join the seaman branch of the service, while others cast their lot with the engineering department of a "jackie" cannot choose the ship he wishes to join. Seventy-two enlisted from other places.

One thing about the Oregon and Washington men who decided to join the great white fleet, that is most pleasing to Lieut. J. A. Schofield, who has charge of the recruiting office, is that only two of the sailors-to-be are foreign born. The enlistments are for four years. From here the men were sent to the Mare Island navyyard, while the boys were assigned to the training ship at San Francisco. It is said that it takes one year to make a proper seaman out of a "land lubber."

The station closes tomorrow noon. From here the recruiting party will go to Denver.

Notice.

A Chinese tailor by the name of Chan-Wai, a member of the tailor firm Lin Hing & Co., disappeared several days ago. He had cut off his queue and dressed in American clothes and seemed from his odd peculiar actions and talk to be mentally unbalanced.

Any person having any information of the above Chinaman, please notify his friends at 22 Buxton street, and they will receive a liberal reward. Telephone Red 946.

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Building Business.

At no time of the year is the capacity and perfection of a mercantile establishment so thoroughly tested as during the Christmas trade. Small or large stores with a stand-still reputation do not as a rule satisfy the hustling holiday buyer. They seek the progressive stores where newer styles and a large variety is to be shown.

The Chicago, 69-71-73 Third street, is surely Portland's greatest clothing house. It has the greatest commercial capacity of any store in Oregon or Washington, and with a double or triple force of salespeople, wrappers, tailors and delivery boys, the big store is master of any situation and can handle more business properly than any two or three stores in the city. The high quality of goods and the immense variety backed by unmatched low prices in every department makes the Chicago a mercantile wonder. As great as is its selling capacity the Chicago will remain open every evening until Christmas; Christmas eve until midnight.

Suitable for "Her." A pretty bottle of perfume. With but few exceptions every woman likes a bottle of French perfume. To those who find themselves puzzled what to give to a sister or sweetheart this suggestion should prove a valuable one. If the reader could but see our perfumery counter at all hours of the day doubt would not exist as to whether perfumery is popular or in demand. Our display of these goods is the most complete in the city. It embraces all well known makes and in all the latest and best makes. Our exhibit of holiday packages in cut glass, Bohemian ware, Austria court boxes and Swiss baskets is unsurpassed. They are direct importations from the celebrated perfumers. Expensive? No; all our perfumes are sold at popular prices. All within your reach. Woodard, Clarke & Co., Fourth and Washington street.

Dividend Notice.

At a meeting of the directors of the Hibertia Savings bank, a dividend of \$3 per share was declared payable January 1, 1937.

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ARTHUR L. ALEXANDER CONCERT.

Arthur L. Alexander is one of the most versatile musicians that ever came to Portland. He leaves for Paris early in January and will be one of the singers at a farewell concert to be given in his honor at the White Temple, Twelfth and Taylor streets, Thursday evening next. Mr. Alexander is not only a singer of rare talent possessing a most sympathetic tenor of the rarest voice of all, but is a pianist of no mean ability. He plays his own accompaniments, and the most difficult compositions form no barrier to the most artistic rendering of voice and piano. At this concert will appear, electrically amplified, principal musicians: Mrs. Rose Hoch-Bauer and Don J. Zan, will make its debut, as will also the Orpheus male chorus, 23 selected

The Finish Is in Sight

SATURDAY sees the grand stand finish of the greatest sale of high grade Furnishings, Hats, Shoes, etc., ever attempted in this city. Not a single article must be left on the shelves Christmas Eve. I've put the screws to prices—with a strong twist—throughout the entire stock. With nerves of steel I have clutched the key of necessity—flung back the flood gates of the world's greatest bargains—and I am irrigating the thirsty soil of the people's wants with the richest stream of this century's grandest values. Not only have I wiped out every vestige of profit, but I have cut deep down into the vitals of the original cost on our peerless stocks. I want the room, I must have the room, I will have the room at any price. Remember, Saturday night sees the last of these goods. Read on.

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\$10 Kinds, now selling at \$4.95.
\$7.50 Kinds, now selling at \$3.95.
\$5.00 Kinds, now selling at \$2.45.
\$2.50 Kinds, now selling at \$1.25

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GLOVE PRICES ARE ALL SHOT TO PIECES.
\$2.50 Kinds are now selling at \$1.49.
\$3.00 Kinds are now selling at \$1.23.
\$1.50 Kinds are now selling at 80¢.
\$1.00 Kinds are now selling at 48 cents

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All Underwear, worth \$2.00, now 80¢.
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All Underwear, worth \$1.00, now 25 cents

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EVERY SHOE IN THE HOUSE, and the values run up to \$5, \$6, \$7.50, including all the popular shapes and leathers at the one price of \$2.95

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A BIG BUNCH OF FINE PANTS are in the mix-up also.
\$6.00 Kinds, now selling at \$3.99.
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