

We Are Opposed to it, but Lots of Men DESERVE Tar and Feathers

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"YE SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH AND THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE"

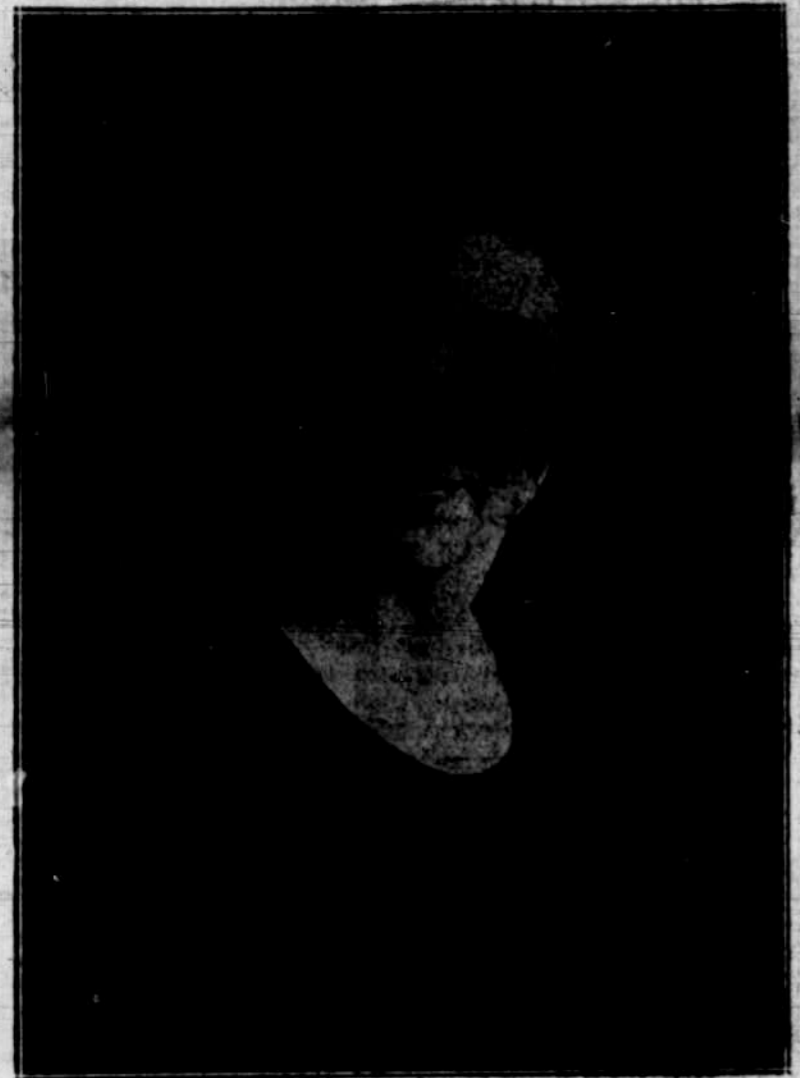
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GRAND PRIZE AUTO AWAITING HUSTLER

Race Will Be On In Real Earnest Before Week Is Ended, With All Doing Their Best

THE WESTERN AMERICAN'S big prize Automobile contest is now on in full swing. Names of new hustlers have been added this week and it is safe to say, that before the week is ended the race will be on in earnest. Thus far, no one has a "walk away" for the prize automobile; neither is anyone beaten

Mrs. Bertha M. Hadley



Mrs. Hadley took the lead in The Western American's great subscription campaign from the start and so far maintains it.

yet. Just a good bunch of subscriptions turned in to the credit of any one of the active contenders would change the complexion of affairs, and develop a new leader in the race.

With but one more week in which to turn in subscriptions and secure the maximum number of votes, and with but five more weeks to go before the race finally comes to a close, interest in the competition intensifies. Each candidate realizes that the big prizes, remarkable in their value, lie practically within their grasp, either to be claimed for their very own or forfeited to more aggressive opponents during the next few days, depending to a great extent upon their supreme efforts put forth while the BIG VOTES are allowed.

If you halt now for a single moment; if you weaken for a single day, or if you overlook one opportunity to better your chances to win, you are taking the desperate chance of losing the prize you most desire, already partially won and which really belongs to you, and you are nearly certain to bring dismal disappointment upon yourself, as well as your friends, who will take it as sorely as you will yourself.

Don't forget that this is a battle hereafter. Craft helps; speed, too, but the rugged strength and lasting qualities of a few hundred votes means victory here as the same traits win any battle.

Vote discreetly; hustle swiftly; watch and battle persistently till the end; and, if you don't win at that it will be for no other reason than that some competitor embodied all your strength to a greater degree.

REMEMBER—3000 votes are allowed on yearly subscriptions to The Western American until Feb. 5, next week, while the following week only 2000 votes are given; 25,000 votes are now issued on five-year subscriptions, while during the "second period" only 20,000 votes are allowed.

IT IS THE NEXT FEW DAYS THAT COUNT.

JOYOUS DANCE GIVEN BY PARENT TEACHERS

A large crowd attended a joyous dance the night of January 20, given under auspices of the Parent Teachers' Association of Woodstock, for the purpose of raising funds for the betterment of the school. A delicious repast was served by the Good-Fellows.

The managers of the occasion said special thanks were due to the Dwight Edward Company for the "wonderful coffee"; to the Morris Brothers, for cheese; to HHS Brothers for doughnuts, and to Ray Bellamy for finding the best Old Virginia ham that ever graced a feast.

Miss Sprague, pianist, and her excellent orchestra furnished music for the festive occasion.

Another dance will be given the night of February 3, for the same purpose. The ladies declare this is the easiest and most enjoyable way of raising money for a good cause.

KERNEL K. KUMTAX IS DUE TO ARRIVE FEB. 17

Spectacular, Joyous Benefit Entertainment to be Given For Everybody

Introducing Kernel K. Kumtax, a variety of songs and of purest ray serene, a spectacular benefit entertainment will be given Saturday, Feb. 17, beginning at 8 P. M., sharp, in the Municipal Auditorium, under the management of fraternity men who are expert in handling social events of this magnitude. It will be strictly high class and in every way enjoyable and unexampled.

All Oregonians within reach are expected to attend.

The program will include not less than seven nor more than nine high class and talented players. Dancing for everyone will follow the vaudeville immediately. There will be plenty of room, and music will be furnished by the best orchestra available. Admission will be \$1, including tax. Spread the glad tidings to everyone. Everyone is invited.

Mr. James F. Handley Had 'That Something'

"May he rest in peace." Mr. James F. Handley of Astoria, who passed away a day or two ago, mourned by many friends, for years was a living example of "That Something"—the spirit of self-conquest and determination to succeed which is exemplified in a famous little book by that title. Mr. Handley, by the way, was inspired through trying years to combat and conquer his physical ills and personal problems by reading and study of that dynamic volume. Enjoying the blessing of it, he sought generously to impart it to others, and distributed thousands of copies.

Many Klansmen feel saddened and a sense of personal loss in the passing of the amiable and kindly, ever cheerful and courageous little gentleman, whose resort for men was so well known throughout the years before the great fire. Differing, in life, concerning mortal problems, men are brothers in death and co-heirs to immortality, all differences erased, and nothing but the good is remembered of the dead.

Mr. Handley was a faithful member of St. Mary's Catholic church in Astoria. The body was laid at rest in Mount Calvary cemetery in Portland.

A Norwegian boy in one of our public schools, learning his English rapidly, wrote this essay on The Frog: "What a wonderful bird the frog are! When he stand he sit almost. When he hop, he fly, almost. He ain't got no sense hardly; he ain't got no tail hardly, either. When he sit, he sit on what he ain't got, almost."

K. K. RADIO CONCERT TO DELIGHT NATION THURSDAY, FEB. 8TH

Grand Dragon Gifford Announces Entertainment For All America

MILLIONS TO ENJOY EVENT

Greatest Broadcasting Station in Duke to Give Magnificent Program

Grand Dragon Fred L. Gifford has issued a notice from his Portland headquarters to all organizations in the Realm of Oregon and throughout the Northwest that on Thursday night, Feb. 8, between the hours of 9:30 and 10 o'clock, a magnificent "KKK" radio concert will be broadcast from station WBAF, Fort Worth Star-Telegram broadcasting station, Fort Worth, Texas.

The broadcasting station of the Star-Telegram, the Grand Dragon said, claims to rank first of all in the United States, and this "KKK" radio concert can be heard throughout America during that hour.

Mr. Gifford asked all Klansmen to pass the word to everyone concerned, especially all persons interested in the development of the radio system of communication and entertainment.

The exact details as to the program and the difference in time will be published by The Western American in its issue of Jan. 31.

PEANUT MAN HURLING HIS CAP IN THE RING; WANTS TO TRAIN BOYS

Western American Special.

Astoria, Ore., Jan. 24.—R. C. Moseley, Astoria peanut vendor, has announced himself as a candidate for the position of superintendent of the state training school for boys.

While Mr. Moseley is urging his own endorsement among friends in Astoria and writing to other places for support, his candidacy is not considered seriously. It is generally conceded that if a change is made the superintendent will be appointed from among those who worked for the election of Governor Pierce in the last campaign. Mr. Moseley was not in the state to help in the campaign or vote at the election, as he was operating a peanut wagon in Bellingham, Washington.

Many prominent persons who have studied the needs of the Boys' Training School are quietly urging the appointment of Lewis M. Kietzing of Astoria, who, they declare, is ideally fitted for the work. Furthermore, they say, positions of this kind, which require special training and aptitude, as well as character above reproach, should not be involved in peanut politics. It is understood that Mr. Kietzing will receive the appointment, if any change is made, and he has intimated his willingness to accept. He is strongly supported by prominent persons throughout the state.

HARMONY IS KEYNOTE IN AFFAIRS OF KLAN

"I rejoice to see such splendid cooperation in all the work of our Order," declared Exalted Cyclops J. R. Johnson of Portland, Monday. "Harmony" among all-Protestant people now seems to be the keynote, and it means unexampled progress and development. The high principles of our Order are being practiced in daily life, and before the year is ended, with such loyal teamwork, the Klan's great program of achievement will have been consummated.

DEAN HICKS IS OUT OF GOOD SAMARITAN

Hosts of fraternity and other folk in Oregon will be pleased to know that Dean R. T. Hicks of the Episcopal Church, who was confined to the Good Samaritan Hospital for two weeks with a sudden and painful illness, now is making rapid progress toward complete recovery. He has resumed, in part, his constructive activities in community betterment work.

In a previous issue The Western American made an error, inadvertently, in reporting that Dean Hicks was in the St. Vincent's Hospital. One part of the news item, however, may be repeated by common consent, concerning the well-loved Dean: "You hear that man laugh, you think he's all fun, But the angels laugh, too, at the good he has done."

SWEET SINGER GOES TO ETERNAL REWARD

Mrs. Jack Munson, Dear to Ex-Service Men, Passes Away in Astoria

Mrs. Jack Munson of Astoria, who passed away this week after a brief illness, long will be mourned and never will be forgotten by many thousands of ex-service men who so often were entertained by her splendid singing at Camp Lewis, Wash., in the early days of the world war. Mrs. Munson is survived by her husband and a small daughter, who have the heartfelt sympathy of all.

The singer was known and admired by music-lovers throughout the Northwest, including Alaska, and her sunny disposition and personal charm had endeared her to hosts of friends. She always seemed happy and carefree, ever striving to brighten the lives and to lighten the burden of others. The news of her passing causes an irreparable loss among thousands of people, including especially the ex-service men of Camp Lewis.

Cameratta Club To Give Dance Feb. 2

One of the enjoyable social events of the winter season will be the initial dance given under the auspices of The Cameratta Club, a new entertainment group composed of prominent young women, in the Pythian Temple, corner of West Park and Yamhill streets, Friday evening, Feb. 2. Excellent music will be provided and a joyous time is assured for all. Cards will be enjoyed by the older persons, and delicious punch will be served. Admission 50 cents. Tickets will be on sale in a few days.

SAWYER AND JOHNSON AT RAINIER THURSDAY

Dr. R. H. Sawyer, Grand Counsellor of the Ladies of the Invisible Empire, with imperial headquarters at 226 Pittcock block, Portland, and the Rev. J. R. Johnson, Exalted Cyclops of Portland Klan No. 1, will attend a special gathering at Rainier, Ore., Thursday night, January 25, on request of Grand Dragon Fred L. Gifford.

Mr. Johnson delivered an inspiring address to men only at Montavilla Christian church Tuesday night, under auspices of the Brotherhood of Christian Men. His appeal for better living and for constructive progress toward the Klan ideals was delivered with impressive effect.

A popular Klansman's little girl wondered why her hair crackled when she combed it. She was told that it was electricity in her hair. "Oh," she exclaimed, "How down-to-date we are! I have electricity in my hair, and grandma has gas on her stomach."

PARSON COLLECTS; NEEDY SUFFERING

Gilbert Takes \$104.15 For Use of Dishes, Etc., Approving This Charge for Church

Western American Special.

Astoria, Ore., Jan. 24.—William S. Gilbert, pastor of the Presbyterian church, on January 8 billed the Astoria Fire Relief Committee of Ten a charge of \$104.15 in behalf of his church "to cover breakage, shortage and USE" of dishes, etc., loaned from the church to the fire-stricken and homeless people and used for a short time. Gilbert signed the requisition as "recommender," and also as chairman of the committee, and drew the money from the Astoria Savings Bank, Check No. 35, as per statement—\$104.15.

The Committee of Ten requisition, thus prepared by Gilbert, certified in the requisition that it had "received disaster relief in the amount of \$104.15," as aforesaid. Gilbert's bill for the Presbyterian church, which is the richest in Astoria, follows:

Astoria, Ore., Jan. 8, 1923.—The Astoria Relief Committee Dr., to the Astoria First Presbyterian Church: covering breakage, shortage and use:	
2 dozen teaspoons at \$3.50	\$ 7.00
2 dozen forks at \$7.50	15.00
14 dozen cups at \$3.00	42.00
6 knives at \$7.50	45.00
4 dozen plates at \$3.00	12.00
Lights, Pacific Power and Light Co.	23.40
Laundering 10 tablecloths	1.00
Total	\$104.15

Gilbert's bill also contained this item: "For cleaning up the premises used, basement of the church, \$20.00," but for some unexplained reason it was marked out with a pen. His original claim was \$124.15, but the deduction was made.

Mabell E. Jones



Though entering late in The Western American's subscription campaign, Mabell Jones climbed quickly to third place, and expects to keep going until she reaches the top. She says she is not trying to win any prize for herself, but is in the race to help The Western American go over the top; and, furthermore, that if she wins the prize, she will donate it to a certain popular organization, which will use it for a noble and charitable purpose. A committee of fifteen, composed of loyal and active members of The Cameratta Club, is assisting her.