

TRAMPS TAKE RAIN

Deadheads Ride on North Coast Limited.

POLICE PLAN WARM RECEPTION

Officers of the Law Line Up at Depot, While Seven Husky Hobos Jump Off at the Water-Tank.

When the North Coast Limited rolled into the Grand Central Station yesterday morning at 7 o'clock, in addition to the train crew and the regular passengers there were seven lusty and crossing hobos on board.

For many weeks the cold weather and lack of labor over in the Washington territory has been driving the many knights of the sea southward, and every train from the north brings in many passengers who never pay their fares.

Early yesterday morning, when the limited was being made up at Goble, the seven members of the anti-sweat society climbed aboard and sought rest on the train.

Having thus discharged his duty, the collector of the station has another chat with the "bobs," and started for Portland with vengeance in his eyes.

"What for?" asked the leader of the bluecoats.

"Why, them bums will drop off in the yards," explained the buttnik.

"Don't mind him," said Mr. Sloan. "Watch the arms of the law."

When the train rolled into the depot, Captain Sloan and his cohorts gathered for the word "arrest," and stood expectantly waiting.

WERE GLAD TO SEE HIM

Prisoners Welcome Bill Collector to City Jail.

As the result of his latest purchase in real estate by which he became the owner of James Garner's ancient scow, on the East Side, at the upset price of \$19, James McDonald, of 28 Union avenue, the white-whiskered debt collector, known all over Portland by people who can't pay their bills, was not in his usual place in church yesterday.

McDonald was arrested Saturday night, and when his fellow prisoners discovered his identity yesterday morning they gave him a triumph and attempted to enforce one of the rules of the "kangaroo" court, one of which is that each newly arrived prisoner shall take a bath.

One strange circumstance about the affair is that McDonald was arrested on the complaint of his former cell mate, Garner. Some little time ago a judgment was granted against Garner to satisfy a debt he owed, and in looking for a friend to advise him what he should do to keep his scow intact he was advised to consult McDonald, and did so.

It developed that Garner could not raise enough money to satisfy his creditor, and he feared that his beloved scow would be sold over his head. But all the same he appointed McDonald his agent, and McDonald lost no time in notifying Constable Jackson that the real owner of the scow was McDonald.

McDonald laid his plans accordingly to get ahead of Garner in the matter of owning that scow. He made an appointment with Garner to meet him in front of a certain telegraph post on Third street, near Morrison, for a conference about an hour before the sale took place.

Garner paced sullenly in front of that telegraph post, looking for his friend McDonald, but the veteran debt collector wasn't there. In fact, while Garner was holding up the telegraph post, McDonald, certain now that his dear friend was coming, had taken the scow to the yard and bought the scow, under the judgment proceedings, for \$19, and secured the bill of sale from Constable Jackson.

McDonald schemed until he saw Garner leave the scow to get a breath of fresh air, and then he ran into the scow and took possession. Garner, unmoved, waited outside, and when McDonald peeped out to see who the enemy was doing, Garner jumped and held the fort.

"I'm too old to go to jail," remarked McDonald sadly, when Deputy Sheriff Adkins placed him under arrest. "You must produce \$100 cash bail or you go to the county jail," said Adkins. Now, McDonald has often been the official means by which lots of people in Portland have suffered worry when they could not pay the bills of the Southern Pacific and other companies.

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PORTLAND MAY OBTAIN SHARE OF TRANSPORT BUSINESS.

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Since it has been learned that Portland's bid for the transport service will not be considered by the War Department, sentiment in this city is in favor of the Government's plan of continuing again for bids for its maintaining the present transport service.

There has been no unfairness in this matter at all. The bids were duly advertised for, and all Pacific Coast ports had an equal opportunity. Bidders were handicapped at 2 P. M. on a specified day, were not specific. The Boston Steamship Company, through its influential Eastern connections, might have had more definite information in this respect than other bidders.

"Would it be to Portland's advantage to have the Government advertise again for bids?"

"My opinion is that Portland can pick up more business under the present transport system than it could under the contract system. As things are now, we can get an occasional whack at the traffic if a contract should be awarded, it would in all probability go to Seattle or San Francisco. If to Seattle we could not get into the business, we would be out of it."

That San Francisco has the support of the Harriman railroads is indicated by the following from the San Francisco Chronicle of last Thursday:

"The most encouraging news relative to the future of the transport service that has come for several days is contained in a telegram received yesterday morning by the Southern Pacific Company."

A lively day was spent at the Salvation Army Hall, on Davis street, yesterday, Major Dublin, assisted by Ensign Kinney and Captain Swanson, of the Rescue Home, and by the members of the Revival Brigade, conducted very enthusiastic meetings.

The morning service in the hall was of unusual interest. Major Dublin spoke with power from, "I know thy works, that thou hast a name, that thou livest but art dead. Therefore thou art incurable."

ANXIOUS ABOUT THE CASH

Ex-Secretary Moore Proposes to Keep It Himself.

How to be happy though troubled is the riddle that confronts the Board of Trade. The board will probably get free from its difficulties this week and enter upon a career of greater usefulness.

Mr. Moore has been crowded out of the organization. He holds certain property which he will not surrender until he gets about \$20,000 and a list of the Oregon exhibit at Osaka, Japan.

"I don't wish to answer that question," came the reply.

"What do you think the board is going to do to you?"

"I really do not amount to much," said he. "It is only a small altercation with one of the outgoing officers. I'm sorry it has occurred, because I don't think Mr. Moore is benefiting himself by his action. My personal feelings toward him are kindly, and on this account I regret what he has done. He did not conduct the office on as strictly business lines as he should have done, and, therefore, he has run himself out. Mr. Shillock makes good secretary. I see a field of wider usefulness opening to the board. There is no reason why we cannot soon have 1000 members and an income of \$1000 a month."

The committee on revision is composed of Seneca Smith, Thomas Guinean, W. A. Laidlaw, C. M. Idlemann and J. H. Fisk.

RECENT ACCESSIONS. Works Newly Received at the Portland Library Association.

Hyde, W. DeW.—Jesus Way.....242H595 FOLKLORE AND LEGENDS. Skinner, C. M.—Myths and Legends of Our Own Land, 2 v.....388B28 Holland, W. H.—Battered Book.....5857H27 USEFUL AND FINE ARTS. Lehmann, Lill—How to Sing.....7845L23 Moore, George—Modern Paintings.....700M22 Wheeler, Mrs. C. T.—How to Make Rugs.....674W563 LITERATURE. Riley, J. W.—Book of Joyous Children.....811R573 BIOGRAPHY. Davidson, A. F.—Alexandre Dumas.....828D40 Strong, Mrs. J. O.—Osbourn and Lloyds—Memories of Vallina.....858A88 HISTORY, DESCRIPTION AND TRAVEL. Adams, Brooks—New Empire.....901A21n Fraser, J. F.—Real Berlin.....815F24 McCarthy, Justin—Reign of Queen Anne, 2 v.....942J5M12 Wilson, W.—The American People, 5 v.....972W754 FICTION. Barrie, J. M.—Little White Bird.....837B1 Bates, Jarvis—Diary of a Saint.....852B4 Conroy, F.—The Glorious Game.....849C20 Crawford, F. M.—Cecilia, the Last of the Vestals.....859C20 Hays, W.—The Story of the Sun.....811H44 Higginson, Mrs. E. O.—Mariella.....857M2 Jerome, J. K.—Paul Kilver.....859J2 London, Jack—Children of the Snow.....874L20 Lusk, Mrs. R. M.—Napoleon Jack.....859L20 Cats.....859C20 Philpotts, Eden—River.....859P20 Strain, W.—The Story of the Sun.....811S40 Van Dyke, Henry—Blue Flower.....734B5

ANNOUNCEMENT. Multnomah Grange Will Elect Officers Next Wednesday.

Meier & Frank Company Meier & Frank Company Store closed tonight Commencing Wednesday, store open evenings until Christmas.

Buy a handsome Peninsular Range for a Christmas gift.

Holiday Store News

Shop mornings and avoid the great crowds. Take small parcels with you—when convenient. Toys or Holiday Goods purchased now will be delivered any time.

When having goods delivered give name and address plainly—Ask to see the delivery slip, so there will be no mistake. Toys, Dolls, Games, etc., are on the third floor.

From Sunday Oregonian

Great sale of Fur Scarfs and Boas. All Silk Waists and Petticoats greatly reduced. Second week of the holiday sale of Dress Goods and Silks. Great holiday stocks in all departments.

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FULTON'S DAY OFF

State Senator Makes a Visit to Astoria.

AGAINST CHANGES IN FISH LAW

Clatsop County Not Especially Interested in Any Local Legislation—Others Propose Subjects for Lawmakers.

"I'm going home to get acquainted with my family. Ha, ha, ha!" it was State Senator Fulton's voice ringing out in the corridors of the Imperial Saturday.

"No, Clatsop County will not be particularly interested in any legislation of the Legislature. The fact that Governor Geer takes a trip occasionally and writes a few letters in the meantime probably makes it necessary for the senator to watch on his senses to see that none of them are broken down."

Fish Laws Good Enough.

"So far as I know, there will be no demand for any important changes in the fishery law. I notice that the Fish Warden had recommended that the law providing a close season be repealed. While I have not learned the reasons upon which he made this recommendation, my present impression is that this change would be ill advised. However, the Fish Warden is a very conscientious worker, and may have sufficient reason for making the recommendation. I think perhaps it might be well to raise the license tax on the salmon pack and perhaps some other minor changes are needed, but I am of the opinion that the fishery laws are in pretty good shape already."

Law for Fruit Packing.

Joseph Otwell, of Central Point, Jackson County, is in Portland for a short time this evening while on his way to Walla Walla. He is a brother of Representative John D. Otwell, of Jackson County, and a member of the firm of Otwell Bros., the apple-growers at every point known, the Otwell apples, and in fact nearly all the Southern Oregon apples, have gained an enviable reputation in the fruit markets of this country and even in England. Practically all the apples of Southern Oregon are carefully packed, only sound fruit being used, and the boxes are labeled with the brand of the packer and also branded "Oregon apples." It is by this means that a reputation which greatly aids their sale.

At a meeting of the Veterans Volunteer Firemen's Association, held yesterday in the hall of the Graham Grange, No. 72, on the Powell Valley road, for election of officers and transaction of other business. The present officers are as follows: Master, J. J. Thompson; President, Mrs. R. H. Clark; Graham; secretary, A. F. Miller, Sellwood. As this is the annual gathering more than usual importance is attached to the meeting. Graham Grange will provide entertainment.

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TO RECEIVE PRESIDENT.

Veterans of the Spanish War Expect Visit From Roosevelt.

The three Portland camps of the Spanish-American War Veterans are making preparations for the visit of President Roosevelt here next Spring. The event is of the greatest importance to the veterans, for the former leader of the Rough Riders is expected to visit the city. A member of the organization, and every soldier of the late war will turn out to do homage to the chief of the Nation. It is hoped that the President will come to the gate and lay the cornerstone of the soldiers' monument, and the committee in charge is looking forward to that event.

Active activity is apparent among the veteran camps. Harrington Camp elected its officers last week, and Hampton Camp, of the same regiment, the famous Second Oregon, will follow suit in a few days, and Gibbs Camp, an East Side organization, will also hold an election soon. All these camps have excellent ladies' auxiliaries, and these will presently conform to the general organization by electing officers.

The portrait of Josiah Kemp, recently elected commander of Harrington Camp, and of the late Lieutenant Ralph Platt, of the Second Oregon, published in yesterday's Oregonian, were prepared from photographs furnished by E. W. Moore, the photographer.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS.

GENTLEMEN—We are prepared to supply you most exacting wants, be it a dress pattern, waist, jacket, tailor-made suit, gloves or handkerchiefs. Leave your glove orders with us. We have only one end in view—how best to serve you.

XMAS DINNER FOR POOR

Volunteers of America Will Help Out Santa Claus.

The Volunteers of America, under the leadership of Captain A. B. Watson, are making extensive preparations to provide the destitute of the city with comfortable Christmas dinner. The efforts of the Volunteers in securing Thanksgiving dinners were very successful, and they hope that the generosity of the public will be repeated on the approaching holiday. Captain Watson has sent out hundreds of letters asking for aid in this work, and the appeals are being well responded to by those who need not worry about their own dinner on that day. The contents of the boxes to be sent out will keep an ordinary family over a week and will furnish them a good square Christmas dinner. Those who dislike the giving of money will be heartily thanked by the Volunteers if they will purchase these supplies or a part of them.

ST. LOUIS AND SOUTHEAST. A New Tourist Service Inaugurated by the O. R. & N.

If you are going to St. Louis, Memphis and other Southern points, better call on the O. R. & N. ticket office, Third and Washington, and ask about the new tourist service inaugurated by the O. R. & N. via Denver and Kansas City.