

GIVE MONEY FOR WAR

The Japanese in Portland Are Very Patriotic.

S. BAN SUBSCRIBES \$2000

Ten Committees Appointed to Solicit Contributions From Countrymen - Expect to Send \$10,000 Home Within a Month.

Two thousand dollars, subscribed by S. Ban, the Japanese contractor head of the Japanese contractors which is being circulated in Portland for the purpose of raising funds to be sent to Japan with funds to help the Japanese patriots in their struggle with the Americans.

When it was announced that Mott had won the contest the sophomores rushed to the stage and greeted the second sophomore that has ever won the annual local contest. The subject of Mr. Mott's oration is "The Patriotism of Benedict Arnold," and he demonstrated that he possessed

Every one of our people in this city is willing and anxious to subscribe to the fund. Ban last night. "Just how much money has already been subscribed I cannot say, as the committees have made no report as yet, but I have no doubt that we will raise the \$10,000 within a month.

Laborers and merchants alike feel they have the same interests at stake and the subscriptions will come from the many and not the few. The donation of \$200 by Mr. Ban is an illustration of Japanese patriotism. They will give according to what they have and the poorest laborer will donate his hard-earned savings for the benefit of his country.

On Thursday the Portland Japanese Association met at First and Couch streets, where S. Ban, the president of the association, made a stirring patriotic speech. Tetsuji Akiba gave an address, briefly reviewing the incidents of Japanese history. Mr. Ban and Mr. Sei-Ibara were appointed at this meeting to circulate the subscription for the war fund.

EXTENDING ROOSEVELT LEAGUE

New Local Leagues Organized in Various Parts of Oregon.

The Roosevelt League of Oregon is still growing. The high esteem in which President Roosevelt is held by the people of Oregon is in a measure indicated by the enthusiastic manner in which citizens throughout the state organize for the purpose of making sure his nomination and re-election. For the original plan and the organization of the Roosevelt League of Oregon much credit is due to Dr. Henry Waldo Coe of this city, who has freely tendered not only his own name as an organizer but also his services in the extended correspondence that necessarily became incident to the work of the league.

Immediately after the organization of the State League, numerous local leagues were organized under the State League constitution, and these have continued to grow while many others have since organized in various parts of the state.

The chairman of the organization committee, Gustav J. W. Gracie, is also secretary of the Multnomah County League, is receiving letters daily from all portions of the state, relative to the Roosevelt League, and the interest shown and the hearty cooperation that is being given is most gratifying to all friends of the President.

Within the last few days the following leagues have been reported organized: The Granite River League, of Granite; H. E. Hendry, president, and E. S. Stone, secretary. Milwaukie Roosevelt League, of Milwaukie; R. Scott, president; J. R. Kelso, vice-president; J. W. Gracie, secretary. Frewer Roosevelt League, of Frewer; A. P. Noblitt, president; S. Christensen, secretary. Pine Creek Roosevelt League, of Clarno; Charles E. Burgess, president; G. J. McCoy, secretary. Dundee Roosevelt League, of Dundee; Z. J. Ima, president; G. W. Byers, secretary.

CADETS WIN HONORS.

Students That Took High Rank at Hill Military Academy.

The second year of the current school year at the Hill Military Academy ended February 5. During the period the following cadets attained the highest grade in scholarship: In the academic department: Otis Bradley, Gerald Barrett, Charles Dunham, William Dunham, George Hutton, William Hutton, H. D. Jones, Wilson F. Mays, Victor Marland, Eugene Minto, W. B. Moy, Arthur Nichols, Joseph Vitto, Norris Young, all of Portland; Fred Arnold, Stevenson, Wash.; Renton K. Brodie, Robert C. Brodie, Palestine, Or.; James O. Bunnell, Wallawa, Or.; Asahel Bush, Salem, Or.; Charles S. Fulton, Wasco, Or.; Dean H. Hayes, Moro, Or.; Lawrence C. Hill, Seattle, Wash.; Jay Matteson, Dawson, Y. T.; Russell A. McCarty, Joseph, Or.; Fred W. McKenney, Kelso, Wash.; James M. Merchant, Marshfield, Or.; John H. Mitchell, The Dalles, Or.; Henry Parsons, The Cove, Or.; Charles H. Robbins, Sumpter, Or.; Ernest D. Russell, Greenwood, R. C.; Frank Scott, Woodlawn, Or.; Edgar Senzies, Harriburg, Or.; Fred L. Stanton, Spokane, Wash.; Cecil E. Woodcock, The Dalles, Or.

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TOO FAINT TO ACT

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SHOW BEGINS BUT SOON ENDS

Her Manager Declares the Suicide of Yielding is No Wise Responsibility for the Condition of the Actress.

MISSOULA, Mont., Feb. 12.—After playing one act of "Zaza" tonight at the Union Opera-house, Florence Roberts was compelled to have the announcement made that she could not go on with the performance, and the audience was dismissed. Announcement was made afterward that Miss Roberts had suffered a nervous collapse, and would be compelled to take a rest before continuing her itinerary. Helena, the next point scheduled, has been canceled, and it is hoped by her manager that her next date at Butte may be filed.

It was accepted by the public and even some members of the company that Miss Roberts' collapse was due to the shock she had undergone in Spokane, where Act 10 yielding had blown out her brains at the door of her room in a Spokane hotel. This explanation is scouted by her manager, who says the actress has been overworking her strength, even requiring mild stimulants in the last week or two to remain at her place in the cast, and that the collapse came as a natural result.

FIGHT OFF MASKED ROBBER.

One of Two Men in Tacoma Store Fatally Wounded.

TACOMA, Feb. 12.—Two masked men attempted to hold up Trommald's drug store on Tacoma avenue tonight. When Steve Larsen, one of the proprietors, showed a disinclination to hold up his hands, as ordered, one of the highwaymen shot him in the abdomen, beat him over the head and made his escape. Dick Brown, who was in the store, was also struck a terrible blow over the head. Larsen is probably fatally wounded.

ARRESTED ON ROBBERY CHARGES.

Robberies in the North End are again becoming of frequent occurrence. Three women were arrested last night on robbery charges. Paul Adams is the complaining witness in one case, and has made complaint against Nellie May White and Ross Wangman. He says that his watch was taken from his pocket while he was in the company of these two women. Gustie Adams was last night arrested and the charge against her was vagrancy. The reason of her arrest, however, was that a business man of Portland who refused to give his name to the officers was robbed of \$40. He says that she is the woman, but refuses to be known in the case or to make a charge against her.

RUSSIAN DEFEAT TO HELP GERMANY.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Telegraph claims unimpeachable authority to declare that in the event of Russia being defeated in the Far East, Germany will make a diversion in her favor likely to have far-reaching results.

IOWA TRUST LAW HELD VOID.

Court Decides Fine Railways Would Have to Pay Unjust.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—A dispatch to the Tribune from St. Paul, Minn., says that in a decision sustaining a writ of injunction in the case of the State of Iowa against the Illinois Central, Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific and Great Western Railways, the United States Supreme Court has held that the Iowa trust law is unconstitutional. The court, in fixing the amount of demurrage charges, Judge Franklin C. Platt, in the District Court, has declared the Iowa trust law unconstitutional, and finds for the defendants.

Last August the three railways leading into Waterloo fixed a demurrage charge of \$2 for every 24 hours a freight car was delayed in excess of 48 hours. It was believed the railways were thereby amenable to a section of the code, which provides that any person, or corporation, entering into an agreement to fix the price of any article of merchandise or commodity shall be held guilty of a crime. Another section provides as a penalty a fine of not less than one nor more than 20 per cent of the capital stock of the company or person. This section of the law, Justice Brandeis, in his opinion, declared unconstitutional. Under this section, the minimum fine which could be levied on the railways would be \$2,000,000, of which the County Attorney would receive \$500,000. The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, being an Illinois corporation, would be liable for the franchise in Iowa, and convicted under this charge, and the fine imposed might reach the enormous figure of \$19,200,000. In the opinion, Judge Platt says:

"The law requires a man who is possessed of \$1,000,000 to pay a fine of \$200,000, while for the same offense a man possessed of \$100 is subject to a penalty of but \$100, which is destructive to the foundation upon which constitutional law must rest, yet such is the effect of this section."

Further the judge holds the indictment for the charge of detaining a car contains that in the event of Russia being defeated in the Far East, Germany will make a diversion in her favor likely to have far-reaching results.

CLEARED OF POSTAL FRAUD.

Mrs. Lorenz Hears Judge Direct a Verdict in Her Favor.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Before court adjourned in the postal trial today, Mrs. Martha J. Lorenz, a poor woman, Justice Fritchard decided that there was not sufficient evidence to hold her, and directed the jury to find a verdict of not guilty. She simply smiled at the announcement and when congratulated by her counsel and friends. Judge Fritchard's decision came immediately after all the evidence was in. Several witnesses in rebuttal testified, one of whom was John R. Polke, the stenographer who took down the testimony and replies at the time Machen was under investigation in General Bristow's office on May 7, 1903. The witness, under a searching cross-examination, admitted he had made a number of errors in transcribing his notes.

Tales read the original notes of the examination of Machen in the office of Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General Houston on May 12, 1903, previous to the arrest. Yesterday Machen testified that some of his replies to questions were not expressed correctly.

After a cross-examination during which other inaccuracies were admitted the witness was excused. The Government then announced that its rebuttal testimony was all in. Justice Fritchard then directed the jury to find a verdict of not guilty, as to Mrs. Lorenz. Court was then adjourned until tomorrow.

ED LYONS AS A MAGNATE.

He is to Be Financially Interested With the Ellys.

Ed Lyons, a pioneer baseball player and a dyed-in-the-wool fan, will "cut into" the baseball magnate business with the Ellys. Lyons has on several occasions been identified with the Ellys, and it is now known that he is to own a bundle of the Brown stock will be welcome news to the local fans. He is the right sort, and if the rumor is true, aside from the Ellys he will be the largest stockholder in the new organization. The committee of five which was named to sell the franchise is still at work on the details necessary to disposing of the remaining \$200 worth of stock. It is the intention of this committee to send subscription books to every man who owned stock in the old organization, and they will be given a chance to name the amount they wish to buy, or to take in the new organization. An effort will be made to sell as much of the stock to the former stockholders as possible. If the stock is not taken up, then what is left will be bought by those who have pledged themselves to do so.

BURGERS MAKE HAULS AT TWO BANKS.

WOODSTOCK, Ont., Feb. 12.—Burgers blew open the safe of the Molson's Bank at Aylmer last night, and stole \$15,000. They also blew open the safe of the Bank of Montreal at Embro, securing a large sum of money.