

POICE GUARD

Detachment at the Fair This Morning

CITIZENS' ALLIANCE ACTS

Fears Violence and Asks for Assistance.

SIGNS OF DISINTEGRATION

Strikers on the Government Building Complain They Were Deceived by Leaders and Some Will Return to Work.

Dissatisfaction among the strikers at the fair grounds is causing disintegration in their ranks. The main body of the men are beginning to feel that they have been duped and are about ready to go back to work if their leaders do not bring a hasty settlement. They stood around the gates and downtown in groups yesterday and spoke in strong terms regarding the men who had induced them to go on strike, asking why they had not brought a settlement, as they had promised.

This is the claim of some of them: That when they were induced to go on strike they were assured that the contractors would immediately hold a conference with them and accede to their demands. They awaited this conference hourly till Saturday night, when the truth of the situation dawned on them. They saw that they were out of it with nothing to gain.

Those of the disgruntled are almost all from the Government building, who only struck out of sympathy. They say they were told that the strike would only last a day or two. Now they know differently, and many of them are ready to break the strike. Some of them have already done so, but the number has not been large enough to have any moral effect on the others.

Talk of a Settlement.

All day yesterday there was talk at the fair grounds that at 4 o'clock the strike would be declared off. The hour passed without any demonstration of any kind, but later the men left the grounds at 5 they were not approached by the pickets as usual. The pickets, in fact, were much fewer than usual. It looked as if they had come, particularly as C. H. Gram and George Howell, both well-known labor leaders, had a few minutes before entered the gates of the Exposition and were at the time closeted with President Goode. Later, however, Mr. Goode said that no agreement had been reached.

Until yesterday the strike had been effective on the Government building, though only partially so on the other work. But a considerable body of trained artisans and unskilled helpers were secured by J. E. Bennett, who has the contract for the Government building. For the first time since the strike went forward there, even on the difficult structural operations on the roof.

The foremen in charge of the job said yesterday that they had 200 men working, 50 per cent of whom were formerly on the job. This morning it was said there would be 300 more men, mostly skilled builders, and that the plasterers would return to work. These men have been given their badges and will begin at the regular hour in the morning.

May Cause Trouble.

There will be a considerable body of men coming to work for the first time this morning, and some trouble is anticipated. So far the pickets at the gates have merely used peaceable means to prevent men from going to work, yesterday morning securing quite a number, but today it is feared there will be trouble. A. E. Lynde, J. E. Bennett, P. W. Wier, the Burrell Construction Company, the Wakefield-Jacobson Company and W. R. Griffith, have applied to the police through the Citizens' Alliance to have the men protected in case any hostile means were used.

Chief of Police Hunt detailed Captain Bailey, commanding the second relief, Sergeant Taylor, 12 of the largest patrolmen on the force and a strong squad of plain clothes men to keep order at the Lewis and Clark Fair grounds this morning. According to information imparted by Secretary Alexander Kunt, of the alliance, many new workmen will be there to be sent through the gates at 5 o'clock, and it is said trouble with strikers is feared.

Secretary Kunt letter reached Police Headquarters in yesterday's morning mail, and Chief of Police Hunt was busy arranging details of the matter in leisure moments during the day. It came as a surprise to him, as he had been informed from other sources that no trouble was expected with the strikers.

Men Assigned by the Chief.

Chief Hunt assigned Patrolmen Seymour, Hoelsy, Carlson, Roberts, Kay, Patton, Wilson, Craddock, Galbraith and Sloan, with several plain clothes officers. As it was reported to him that trouble is feared, he ordered a patrol wagon to be on the scene, so that all disturbers of the peace may be quickly conveyed to headquarters, if any are arrested. The officers are to make no comment concerning the strike, but are instructed to act vigorously in case of necessity.

How long the squad of policemen will remain at the grounds depends entirely upon developments. In case of any serious trouble, reinforcements have been arranged for, and the night men will be relieved. The Citizens' Alliance objects to the "ticket" system of the strikers said to be in vogue at the grounds, but the police will not be able to interfere with that or any other actions of persons not actually committing breaches of the peace.

What Unions Donated.

Inquiry made of the Fair officials yesterday to ascertain the amount of money subscribed to the Fair by labor unions resulted in the information that it was \$720. Of this the sheet-metal workers, the bricklayers, the painters, the printing pressmen and the teamsters each gave \$100. The theatrical stage employees gave \$200. The Letter Carriers' Association gave \$200. The last-named sum, however, can hardly be said to have come from a union.

The inquiry was made on account of the letter of C. H. Gram in yesterday morning's issue of the Oregonian, in which he spoke of the subscriptions to the Fair made by the labor unions, which President Goode said he had agreed to return to the unions in case

they had subscribed on the representation that the Fair was to be built entirely by union labor.

IT MAY SECEDE.

Plan of Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., of Washington.

Industry Lodge, Ancient Order of United Workmen, held an open meeting last night to the members of the other lodges of the city for educational purposes. Ralph Feeney talked to the assembled Workmen on the necessity of adopting some new plan in assessment in order to make the policy-holders secure in their holdings. He explained in length the plans of the Supreme Lodge, delivered into the mysteries of the level and the step rates, and told what had to be done to overcome the \$17,000,000 deficiency which is now hanging over the head of the organization as the result of the policy of the past. J. E. Werlein and D. Solis Cohen took the opposite side and talked of the old men and what ought to be their due.

There is a great agitation now on over the financial standing of the Workmen. The young men are leaving the order, and, as a consequence, the rate of assessment is becoming too high to be carried, and unless some change is made to put the order on a sound financial basis, the wise heads seem to see the coming extinction of the order. The plan of the Supreme Lodge, therefore, is to put the assessment payments on the same basis as those of an old-line insurance company, or to construct the scheme along similar lines, in order to make the structure safe.

One reason, it is said, that the leaders of the order in Oregon are so anxious to call a speedy special session of the Grand Lodge to settle the question is that there are ever-growing rumors coming from Washington to the effect that the jurisdiction of that state will not enter the plan of the Supreme Lodge; that it does not see fit to take any extra burdens upon its members to help make up the deficiency caused by the aging membership, or, in other words, that the Washington jurisdiction is about to secede from the order and become a state organization all to itself. It is feared that the action of the Washington Grand Lodge, should it take such a step in advance of any action on the part of the Oregon Grand Lodge, might induce the Oregon Lodge to take some similar action to the detriment of the membership. For that reason the special session has been called for such an early date as April 12. It is thought, however, that there will be but little difficulty in the adoption of the plan as proposed by the Supreme Lodge.

This afternoon and tonight last Concerts of Famous Musicians.

AT THE THEATERS

What the Press Agents Say.

MATINEE CREATOR'S BAND.

This afternoon and tonight last Concerts of Famous Musicians.

This afternoon at 3 o'clock a special matinee will be given at the Marquam Grand Theater when Creator and his Italian band of 25 musicians will be heard in a familiar and popular program including the famous "Exit from Lucia." The last concert this evening will begin at 8:20 o'clock. The following programme will be given:

- March, "Royal Purple".....Creator
- Overture, "Jamaica".....Herold
- Polka, "The Rose Tree".....Wagner
- Grand selection, "Carmen".....Bizet

"Old Heidelberg"

Like wine, improved by age, "Old Heidelberg" is a play of the highest order. It is a play of the highest order. It is a play of the highest order.

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Mahara's Minstrels.

Wednesday matinees are not a regular thing at the Empire Theater, but Mahara's big minstrel will give one tomorrow for the benefit of the ladies and children who are unable to attend the performance tonight and tomorrow night, which will end the engagement. This clever colored organization has pleased large audiences since Sunday. A street parade will be made both days at noon and a free concert in front of the theater just before each performance.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

"The Earl of Pawtucket."

The special engagement of Lawrence D'Orsay in Augustus Thomas' charming society farce, "The Earl of Pawtucket," will interest the fashionable patrons of the Marquam Grand Theater when it is presented at that house. With Mr. D'Orsay will appear the entire New York cast. The engagement is announced as the attraction for the Marquam Grand Theater, Portland, Or., for three nights and one matinee, beginning March 12. Advance sales opens next Friday.

At the Empire.

"Happy" the tramp as played by James McDevore in "Four Neighbor's Wife," the sparkling comedy which comes to the Empire Theater Friday and Saturday nights of this week will please all character comedy.

"Buster Brown" of cartoon fame, is another familiar figure that the ladies and children love. There is a number of excellent vaudeville features in "Four Neighbor's Wife." A "Buster Brown" matinee will be given on Saturday.

Northwestern People in New York.

NEW YORK, March 6.—(Special).—Northwestern people registered at New York hotels today as follows:

- From Portland—Mrs. A. A. Dolph, at the Fifth-Avenue.
- From Spokane—C. Glass, at the Park-Avenue.
- From Baker City, Or.—W. S. Driver, at the Astor.
- From Tacoma—W. E. Hacker, at the Everett.
- From Seattle—A. H. Stracy, at the Holland; C. E. Wigginton, at the Earlington.

Drowned in the Cowitz.

KELSO, Wash., March 6.—(Special).—Ernest Newton was drowned Saturday night in the Cowitz. A boat containing three men was upset on contact with the ferry cable. Newton's companions escaped.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the Mother's Favorite.

The soothing and healing properties of this remedy, its pleasant taste and prompt and permanent cures have made it a favorite with people everywhere. It is especially prized by mothers of small children, for colds, croup and whooping-cough, as it always affords quick relief, and as it contains no harmful or dangerous drugs, it may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. For sale by all druggists.

"American Boy" FOR MARCH READY

The "American Boy" is distributed free in our Boys' Clothing Department to holders of purchase cards, which we give with every Suit or Overcoat to the amount of \$5.00 or over. The March "American Boy" is unusually interesting, as it contains a letter from Governor Chamberlain of Oregon—good, sound advice to the hundreds of thousands of readers of America's biggest and best boy's paper.

Sheet Music 8c Copy

Hundreds of copies of popular Sheet Music on sale today at 8c a copy. We always sell the latest in popular vocal and instrumental music at the lowest prices. A few of the titles are: "Honey I'm Waiting," "Nyomo," "Zenoble," "My Blue-Eyed Sue," "Louisa Schmidt," "Gone, Gone, Gone," "Back, Back, to Bali-more"..... 8c

Sale of Hair Tonic

Sale of well-known cures for Dandruff, Falling Hair, Baldness, etc.; cool, refreshing and invigorating.

- Coke's famous Dandruff Cure—Large size bottle.....69c
- Small size bottle.....37c
- Newbro's Herpeside, bottle.....67c
- Bay Rum, the finest grade, pint bottle for.....39c
- Colgate's Bay Rum.....42c, 66c
- Pinard's Eau de Quinine, small 48c, large.....90c
- Superior Bay Rum, bottle.....19c
- Hair Brushes, polished wood back, pure gray bristles.....25c
- Eastman's Triple Extract Perfumes, 1/2-ounce bottle, all popular odors.....9c
- "World's Fair" polished wood Toothpicks, small package.....4c
- Large hotel size, box.....18c
- Soft wood Toothpicks, large box.....3c

Women's Oxfords \$1.63 Pair

500 pairs of Women's new Low Shoes on sale today and tomorrow at an extraordinary low price. Patent leather Oxfords, chocolate kid Oxfords, vici kid, patent tip Oxfords, all this season's best styles; shoes of equal quality cost you \$3.00 a pair at other stores; all sizes and widths, your choice, \$1.63 pair.....\$1.63

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\$7 Suit Cases \$5

The greatest Suit Case bargain we ever placed on sale; 100 of them—a clean-up of the reserve stock of a prominent Philadelphia manufacturer; 23-inch, full stock, figured linen lining, drop shirt-fold, brass trimmings; a Case that sells every day in the year at \$7.00 each. Your choice of this special lot while they last at \$5.00 each. A carload of new Trunks just received. Wardrobe Trunks, Steamer Trunks, Basket Trunks, Hat and Skirt Trunks; every good style and size; all grades. 3d floor.

Odds and Ends of Fancy China Extra Low Priced

- \$1.10 China Salad Dish.....77c
- \$1.40 China Salad Dish.....99c
- \$1.90 China Salad Dish.....\$1.43
- \$1.75 China Salad Dish.....\$1.21
- \$1.75 China Sugar Bowl.....\$1.19
- \$1.25 China Cracker Jar.....89c
- \$1.60 China Cracker Jar.....\$1.22
- China Plates at low prices—\$1.25 val., \$1.05 50c val.....37c
- 90c val.....72c 75c val.....58c
- 25c val.....21c
- \$2.15 China Chop Dish.....\$1.48
- Odds and ends in Semi-Porcelain ware. Plates, Cups and Saucers, Vegetable Dishes, Platters, etc. Basement.
- \$1.25 Comb and Brush Trays.....84c
- \$1.35 Celery Trays for.....94c

"Lindsay" Light Complete 79c

Still selling the 300-candle power "Lindsay" Incandescent gas light, complete with mantle and optical globe.....79c

The most economical gas consumer on the market. The best light for the least money.

APRIL DELINEATORS ARE ON SALE TODAY—SPECIAL SPRING NUMBER 15c

The Meier & Frank Store

Portland's Largest and Best Store

Trunks, Traveling Bags, Suit Cases, Etc.—The Greatest Display in the City—3d Floor
"Willamette" Sewing Machines Sold on the Easy-Payment Plan—\$5 Down, \$1 Weekly
Artistic Picture Framing to Your Order—New Molding—Very Lowest Prices—2d Floor

Walking Skirts--New Spring Styles



Ready this morning, Portland's greatest showing of stylish Walking Skirts—Hundreds of them—Every new material, every new effect in chevots, mohairs, tweeds, checks and voiles—Altogether the largest and best display we ever attempted—Medium and lightweights—Kilt, plaid and fancy styles—We call particular attention to the handsome checks and invisible plaids—Prices, \$7.50 to \$22.50 each

New Suits, Coats and Silk Raglans

Women's Suits, in Etons, Blouses, Jackets and Norfolk; Broadcloth, Cashmere, mannish mixtures, Alpaca, Etamines, Chevots, Voiles, Panama Cloths and Serges; tans, blacks, blue, grays, brown, stripes, mixtures, checks; all the season's newest effects; \$12.50 to \$45.00.

Our Shirtwaist Suit display is second to none in the land. Taffetas, Alpaca, Etamines, Serges and Pongee, in blue, blacks, tans, brown, green, plaids and mahogany; beautiful styles in immense variety at prices from \$14.00 to \$48.00.

Entirely new line of Coats for women, "Peter Thompson" effects in black and white checks, tan Covert, fancy mixtures and homespun, stylish, serviceable garments at \$11.00, \$12.00, \$14.00, \$15.00, \$16.00, \$18.00, \$20.00.

New line of Silk Raglans and 3/4-Coats; taffeta, pongee, alpaca, tans, browns and blacks; handsome novelties at \$14.00, \$15.00, \$18.00, \$22.50, \$24.00, \$25.00.

Tan Covert Coats, largest display in this city, \$9.00 to \$35.00.

\$1.50 White Petticoats 83c

\$1.25 Gowns for 69c

Two great lots of White Petticoats and Gowns at ridiculously low prices for Tuesday and Wednesday—Special purchase from a leading manufacturer enables us to offer the following bargains:

800 white Cambrie Petticoats, trimmed in cluster of tuels, embroidery, insertion and edging, separate dust ruffles, the very best \$1.50 values, on sale for three days at low price of.....83c

500 Women's Cambrie Gowns, round and square necks, trimmed in embroidery, beading, ribbons, tuels and hemstitching, all sizes, very best \$1.25 values, on sale for.....69c

Picture Department Specials

Pastel Pictures in 2-inch gilt frames and gilt mat, oval openings, size 14x 26 in., regular \$2.95 val. on sale for.....\$1.89

Great values in Oil Paintings.....\$2.50

Artistic Picture Framing to your order at the very lowest prices. Second Floor.

Great Black Lace Sale

A one week's sale of Black Laces—All kinds, all grades at a big saving—Our entire stock is included—45-inch black dress nets, plain and figured—Embroidered and tucked chiffon, black liberty silk, chiffon cloth, appliques, bands, net top laces, all-overs and edges—Very best patterns

All Our 50c Values at 39c Yard

All Our \$1.00 Values at 79c Yard

All Our \$2.50 Values \$1.29 Yard

All Our \$4.00 Values \$3.19 Yard

All Our \$5.00 Values \$4.10 Yard

Point de Paris and Plat Valenciennes White Laces and Insertions, 1 1/2 to 5 inches wide, 20c values, on sale for a few days at this low price, 12 1/2c

French Valenciennes Edges and Insertions, 3/4 to 1 1/4 inches wide, great special values at, dozen 43c

New Laces and Dress Trimmings—the very latest novelties for Spring and Summer—now being shown.

Selling Sheets, Pillow Cases, Sheeting, Etc.

At prices every housewife, hotel and boarding-house keeper is interested in—Thousands of dozens of Sheets and Pillow Slips of the best quality in this sale also hundreds of thousands of yards of Brown and Bleached Sheetings of all grades—The prices must be the lowest because The Meier & Frank Store buys cotton goods on equal ground with the largest jobbing houses in the land; in fact, prominent mill agents tell us that outside of one San Francisco jobbing house no concern west of Chicago anywhere near commences to sell cottons with us—Being at all times protected in the matter of prices you never need fear having an inferior article sold you when the market fluctuates—A few of the grand values we are offering follow—Take advantage

- Brown Sheeting, two yards wide, great value, yard.....17c
- Brown Sheeting, 2 1/4 yards wide, great value, yard.....18c
- Brown Sheeting, 2 1/2 yards wide, great value, yard.....20c
- 45-inch Bleached Sheeting, great value, yard.....11c
- Bleached Sheeting, 2 yards wide, great value, yard.....18c
- Bleached Sheeting, 2 1/4 yards wide, great value, yard.....20c
- Bleached Sheeting, 2 1/2 yards wide, great value, yard.....22c
- 42x36-inch bleached Pillow Cases, good cotton, great value, each.....8c
- 45x36-inch bleached Pillow Cases, great special 15c value at, each.....10c
- 45x36-inch hemstitched Pillow Cases, matchless value at, each.....13c
- Hemmed Marseilles pattern Bedspreads, large size, great value.....\$1.12
- Hemmed Marseilles Bedspreads, large size, great special value at.....\$2.05
- 72x90 bleached Sheets, good quality, great value, each.....42c
- 81x90 bleached Sheets, great special value at, each.....48c
- 81x90 hemstitched Sheets, best quality cotton, great value.....68c
- 81x99 hemstitched Sheets, best quality cotton, great bargain.....73c
- 90x99 hemstitched Sheets, best quality cotton, great bargain.....80c

REGULAR 20c TABLE OILCLOTH 14c YARD

25,000 yards of white and fancy colored Table Oilcloth, 20c value, on sale for a few days only at the low price of.....14c

Portieres, Curtain Swiss, Bed Sets

80 pairs of mercerized Portieres; two-tone effects in red, blue, green and combination colors—Rose and Nile, blue and cream, green and rose, green and tan, olive and rose—20 colorings to select from—All new this season's goods—Great bargains \$7.50 val., Pr. \$4.98 See Them on the Third Floor

10,000 yards of dotted and figured Curtain Swiss, 36 inches wide, great variety of patterns, great special value at, the low price of.....11c

Ruffled Swiss Bed Sets, for full-size beds, flounced sides and foot, including bolster-cover, great bargain, \$5.50 values, on sale for three days at, set.....\$2.98

Duck and goose feather Pillows, fancy tick covering, big size, 7 lbs. to pair; great special values for 3 days, ea.....98c

Great special purchase of 100 Oriental Tapestry Couch Covers, 50 inches wide, three yards long, three patterns, heavy knotted fringe all around, \$3.50 values, for.....\$2.17

Double-faced Tapestry Table Cover, two yards square, red, green, tan and olive; best patterns; regular \$2.00 value, on sale for the low price of, each.....\$1.10

Coffee, Teas, Chocolates, Cocoas

- Best English Tea, lb.....47c
- Fancy English Tea, lb.....47c
- Best Gunpowder Tea, lb.....47c
- Fancy Gunpowder Tea, lb.....47c
- Unmodified or Spider Leg Tea, lb.....47c
- M. & F. Co. Green Tea, lb.....47c
- Country Club Mocha and Java Coffee, 1-lb. cans, lb.....47c
- Country Club Mocha and Java Coffee, 3-lb. cans for.....47c
- Green Costa Rica, lb.....47c
- Green Java Coffee, lb.....47c
- Imperial Cocoa, 1/2-lb. cans.....47c
- Baker's Cocoa, 1/2-lb. cans.....47c
- Baker's Cocoa, 1-lb. cans.....42c
- Ghirardelli's Cocoa, 1/2-lb. cans.....42c
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- Hurley's Cocoa, 1/2-lb. cans.....42c
- 1/2 lb. Hazler ready-to-serve Cocoa, late.....42c
- Epps' Cocoa, 1/2-lb. cans.....42c
- Ghirardelli's Eagle Sweet Choc.....42c
- Ghirardelli's Unsweetened Choc 32c
- Baker's Eagle Sweet Choc, 1/2-lb. cans.....42c
- Baker's Unsweetened Chocolate, 32c
- Meier & Frank's famous Mocha and Java Coffee—Equal to the best 40c grades, lb.....25c

Sale of New Wash Goods

New Canton Crepes, yard.....50c

New fancy colored Swisses.....15c

New imported French figured Nets, handsome styles, yard, 85c.....50c

New imported fancy white and cream Silk Madras, yard, 85c and.....75c

New white embroidered Madras, yard.....75c

New white Piques, yard, \$1.00 to.....19c

New embroidered tissues in checks, plain grounds with dots and figures, very best styles for shirtwaist suits, immense variety to choose from, yard.....25c

New Imperial Chambrays in colors, 30 inches wide, great variety, yard.....15c

New cotton Shirtwaist Suitings, in voiles, flaked voiles and novelty designs, an immense assortment at, yard, 25c to.....15c

New flowered Silk Organzies, yard.....35c

New "Soisette," plain colors, beautiful mercerized fabric for waists and dresses, yard 25c

New White Goods in endless variety; all the latest effects, plain and fancy styles, all grades.

Japanese Linens in all grades. New Swiss, Nainsook, India Linens, Lawns, etc.