

CITY'S PROSPERITY CAUSE OF GROWTH

Poor of Portland Are Better Provided for Than in Any Previous Year.

MUCH FOOD TO BE GIVEN

Christmas Dinners as Usual Are Features of Work Among Needy.

Amid the prosperity of Portland's Christmas this year, the city's poor are not being left to starve. A visit to the various charitable institutions yesterday made clear the fact that the poor people are to fare much better than in any previous year.

Langille, who presided at the meeting, read a report by Mr. Stevens on insects, birds and other timber pests in this state. The report set out that the most harmful pest to the timber wealth of the country are the bark beetle, which has recently appeared in the timber on the Deschutes in this state as well as being prevalent in all of the principal timber sections of the country, the pine butterfly and the borer.

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Family Washing Sent as Xmas Gift

Wife Prepares Gifts for Old Folks in San Francisco; Husband Expresses Wrong Bundle, Adding Cigars.

BY NEXT Saturday a worthy couple living in San Francisco will receive from their son living on the East Side a package containing soiled socks, dirty collars and other intimately personal effects to numerous to mention.

BRITAIN LIFTS BAN

Johnny Bull Helps Out in Red Cross Fight.

BOOM SALES TO \$10,000

England Now Permits Delivery of Letters Bearing "Bullet."

More Postcards Received by Visiting Nurse Association, Which Hopes Business Firms Will Once More Give Aid in Stamp Sale.

News that letters and packages bearing the Red Cross Christmas stamps would hereafter be admitted in the mails to Great Britain and Ireland was received with joy yesterday by the women of the Visiting Nurse Association, who have been engaged for the past three weeks in selling these little tokens of good cheer.

BAN OFF RED CROSS STAMP

Chicago, Dec. 21.—The ban has been taken off the Red Cross Christmas stamp by the postal authorities of England and Ireland.

TODAY IS LICENSE DAY

COUNCIL TO GRANT MORE THAN 400 LIQUOR PERMITS.

Protests From Half-Dozen Omitted From List Expected to En-liven Session.

Wednesday, December 22, will be memorable in the city's history, for this morning the City Council will meet in regular session, and among other things will grant 418 liquor licenses and more than a score of licenses to sell in restaurants.

FEEBLE OLD LADY

Has Strength Restored By Vinol

Mrs. Michael Bloom of Lewistown, Pa., who is 80 years of age, says: "For a long time I have been so feeble that I have had to be wheeled around in an invalid's chair. I had no strength and took cold at the slightest provocation, which invariably settled on my lungs, and a cough would result. My son learned of the cod liver preparation called Vinol, and procured a bottle for me. It built up my strength rapidly, and after taking three bottles I am able to do most of my work, and I can walk a quarter of a mile easily. Every aged or weak person who is quires strength should try Vinol. I am delighted with what it has done for me."

MOTHERS CONGRESS MEETS

Miss Emma Butler, Juvenile Court Deputy, Addresses Organization.

"Juvenile Court Work and the Day Nursery" was the topic yesterday before Oregon State Congress of Mothers, at the City Hall, Miss Emma Butler, a deputy of the Juvenile Court, addressing the assembly.

NEGRO CHARGES ASSAULT

William Hayne, Porter, Arrested for Serious Offense.

William Hayne, a negro porter, 101 Park street north, was arrested yesterday on the charge of having assaulted William E. Ellis, negro, with a revolver.

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Christmas Eve Special

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

Special Train on Same Schedule Will Also Be Run Friday, Dec. 31

Elaborate preparations are being made by the hotels at Clatsop Beach resorts to accommodate their holiday visitors.

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Many Desire to Help.

It is an optimistic sign that the applications to help others have been numerous that the applications for help at the office of the Associated Charities. Many apply each day for a list of worthy poor. Offers of cash, of presents, of food and of work are being received daily.

Dinners for Over 600.

Other baskets of food will be sent out by the local post of the Volunteers of America. The Volunteers have food enough on hand for 500 persons. They will also give a big Christmas tree on Monday night, when a programme will be provided.

Tree for Girls' Home.

The girls of the Florence Crittenton Refuge Home will have a Christmas tree and a special dinner with a musical programme. The 14 girls at the institution will be made to feel the Christmas spirit as deeply as the workers can make possible.

FIRE PATROL EFFECTIVE

Result in Keeping Down Forest Blazes is Apparent.

Efficiency of the patrol service for fighting and preventing forest fires in Oregon is shown by figures which have been compiled by the Government forest officials and the officers of the Oregon Conservation Association for the season of 1909.

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