



FESTIVAL'S RULER ARRIVES AT NOON

Rex Oregonus to Get Royal Welcome Today.

CITY DECORATED FOR EVENT

Rose Sunday Sees Portland Arrayed in Gala Attire.

TRUMPETERS GREET KING

Royalty's Apartments at Fair Grounds Await Arrival of Monarch Whose Official Appearance Is Made on Thursday.

TODAY'S PROGRAMME FOR ROSE FESTIVAL. Morning—Arrival of guests; welcome of home-comers; completion of decorations.

With hundreds of thousands of flags fluttering all around, with every railroad engine and steamboat screaming a discordant welcome, Rex Oregonus, the mystic spirit king of the Rose Festival, will come into his own at noon today.

Rose Sunday Honored. Thousands of people promanated the streets for unofficially yesterday was Rose Sunday and in all the places of worship in the city special discourses were delivered on the rose, and its place in the city and state.

Day of Triumph Tomorrow. All the prominent rosarians of the city spent the day caring for their prize blooms as if they had been children.

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NEW YORK, June 5.—Charles K. Hamilton attempted to fly from New York to Philadelphia and return, probably on Saturday next.

With automobiles, accompanied by the Rose Festival officials, King and Mayor will flash through the city streets, be introduced to a night of the decorations arranged in Rex Oregonus honor and

PASTOR PREACHES AS CHURCH BURNS

EAST SIDE CONGREGATION CALMLY LEAVES BUILDING.

"Mister, Your Church Is on Fire," Says Child Who Sees Flaring Shingles, to Elder.

Fire broke out at 11:40 o'clock yesterday morning in the lecture-room of the Third Presbyterian Church, East Thirteenth and East Pine streets, while the church was crowded with people during a sermon preached by the pastor, Dr. William Parsons, but everybody got safely out of the building, without any undue excitement.

Dr. Parsons was in the midst of his sermon on "The Difficulty, the Physician and His Prescription." Meanwhile, a little girl who was waiting outside to attend the school, saw the flames coming from the roof, and she marched to the rear of the church building and said to a man she saw standing there: "Mister, your church is on fire." Three church officials who were seated near the door were called to, and they went out to fight the flames.

"My friends," said the preacher, in even tones, "I have just been informed that we had better vacate this building now. Please go out quietly." The people did so, without confusion; men, women and little children.

The damaged lecture-room was originally used as the church building when the latter was located at East Sixth and East Oak streets.

TRAIN ENDS HONEYMOON

Romance of South Dakota Plains Closes When Engine Kills.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., June 5.—(Special.)—A honeymoon of three days' duration ended in a horrible manner at Arion, Ia., when Mrs. Frank B. Sherwood, aged 28, daughter of T. F. Broderick, of Sioux City, was killed by an Illinois Central engine. She was running to board the Milwaukee train and did not hear an advancing train on the Central. All the cars passed over her body. Her husband, to whom she had been married but a few days, was a witness of the spectacle.

PRESIDENT RETURNS HOME

Taft Pleased With Enthusiasm of Cheering Crowds Along Route.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—President Taft returned to Washington tonight at 8:14 o'clock from his Western trip. He went directly to the White House, declaring he intended to see no one this evening.

VETERAN SUDDENLY DIES

Frank J. Twing Leaves Son in Kettle Falls, Wash.

SANTA MONICA, Cal., June 5.—(Special.)—Death came suddenly to Frank J. Twing, aged 65, last night at 714 Oregon avenue. He leaves a widow, a daughter, Mrs. H. Harris, whose home is in this city, and two sons, F. W. Twing, of Los Angeles, and E. W. Twing, of Kettle Falls, Wash.

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DAWSON, Y. T., June 5.—The steamer Schwatka arrived from Fairbanks yesterday, the first boat of the year from the Lower Yukon. The Schwatka brought \$900,000 of Tanana gold to Seattle. The gold is being shipped this year by express.

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DEMOCRATS SEE "PLAGUE" IN 1912

Victory Feared May Prove Boomerang.

CONSTERNATION NOW REIGNS

Democratic House in 1911 Could Not Legislate.

REPUBLICANS ARE HAPPY

Should Minority Party Win Congressional Campaign, All Things Would Be Helpful in Presidential Year.

BY HARRY J. BROWN. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, June 5.—Publicly, Democratic leaders in Congress are gloating over prospects of carrying the next House of Representatives; privately they are asking one another whether such a victory would not prove a boomerang, likely to return to plague the Democracy in the Presidential campaign of 1912.

Publicly the Democratic leaders declare they want and expect to control the next House; privately they express the hope that they will not get it. And the nearer the approach to the campaign, the greater the consternation among them.

To begin with, a Democratic House, under a Republican administration, and with a Republican Senate, could enact no partisan legislation. Democratic measures passed by the House would be certain of defeat in the Senate, unless passed by the aid of insurgent votes, but even if passed by that body, would be vetoed by the President.

Yet the Democratic leaders realize that if their party dominates the next House it will be necessary to make a showing, otherwise the party will lose its standing before the country, and the Democratic ticket in the next Presidential campaign will be handicapped by the inactivity of the Democratic majority in the House. It will not do for a Democratic House to sit idly by and pass only the necessary appropriation bills and the non-partisan legislation that comes up in every session. Something distinctively Democratic will have to be undertaken, even though it is known in advance that it is doomed to defeat.

One of the first embarrassments that would arise would be over the organization of the House. The Democrats in the present House have ridiculed the Republican majority for retaining the Reed rules, and have joined the insurgents to diminish the powers of the Speaker. They have taken him off the committee on rules, they have declared the Speaker should be shorn of the power to appoint committees, and have clamored for all manner of modification of the House rules. Yet if the Democrats have a majority in the next House they will have to decide for themselves whether or not the Speaker shall appoint committees; whether he shall be a member of the

RUSSIAN POISONER SLAYS WITH GERMS

WEALTHY MEN INOCULATED WITH CHOLERA ADMITTED.

Heirs of Victims Pay Large Sums to Doctor, and Debtor Also Employs His Services.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 5.—(Special.)—Dr. Patschenko, who with Count Delyassy, was arrested here about a week ago on suspicion of poisoning Count Bouturlin, heir of a fortune of \$5,500,000, has confessed that he killed Count Bouturlin by injecting cholera germs into his system.

The police say he also confessed to a series of identical crimes, his victims being wealthy persons. During the cholera epidemic he pretended to inoculate them to prevent them from contracting the disease. He received \$250,000 in each case from the victim's heirs.

Dr. Patschenko is nearly 70 years old. The Count Bouturlin was only 26. He was a son of General Bouturlin and belonged to one of the oldest and wealthiest families in Russia. Count Delyassy, Dr. Patschenko's alleged instigator, protests his innocence.

The bodies of two of Count Delyassy's brothers have been exhumed and found to contain poison. A prominent merchant has been arrested on the charge of employing Dr. Patschenko to poison several of his creditors.

'CORT REBELLION' HAS COST HEAVILY

New Portland Theater Backing Missing.

OLD 'TRUST' TALKS IN RIDDLES

Klaw & Erlanger Will Let Pacific Northwest Alone.

SHUBERTS PLAN GOOD LINE

Independents Declare They Will Give Portland and Other Coast Cities Greatest Galaxy of Stars Ever Seen in West.

Ladder Falls; Painters Drop.

MARSHFIELD, Or., June 5.—(Special.)—Clarence Woodard and J. A. Baker, two painters employed on the new residence of Dr. Houseworth, were seriously injured yesterday by the falling of the ladder. Woodard is in a critical condition.

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The Weather. YESTERDAY'S maximum temperature, 62 degrees; minimum, 54 degrees. TODAY'S—Threatening during the morning; fair during the afternoon, and warmer.

200 Theaters Lost. The situation up to date can be summed up in these words: Klaw & Erlanger have lost more than 200 theaters by the so-called "Cort Rebellion."

Conditions Only Satisfactory. "We have no announcement to make at the present time," replied Mr. Klaw. "Conditions are satisfactory."

Managula Much Alarmed. President Madrid Would Deny Reports of Rebel Victories.

Hunters Seek Specimens. British Columbia Mountain Sheep to Be Studied by Naturalists.

Stock Show Draws Many. Parade of Horses and Cattle Is Two Miles Long.

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SPRECKELS FAMILY FIGHTS FOR SUGAR

TRADE ENTERS TO FURTHER DISRUPT MILLIONAIRES.

Older Arrayed Against Younger in Court Soon to Be Contesting Among Selves for Business.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 5.—(Special.)—Four Spreckels brothers, now arrayed in court, fighting for \$10,000,000 of their mother's estate, the elder two against the two younger, will soon be contesting for the sugar trade on this coast.

John D. and Adolph, the elder brothers, control the Western Sugar Refinery here, which works up much of the raw sugar shipped here from the Hawaiian Islands.

Claus A., better known as Gus Spreckels, arrived from New York last night. He was very reticent in regard to his recent shipment of 5200 tons of refined sugar from Yonkers to San Francisco, but those on the inside say it means a bitter war for the control of the lucrative sugar trade of California and adjacent states and territories.

Gus Spreckels has figured out that there is good profit in shipping refined sugar around the Horn, but the elder brothers may interfere with his efforts by cutting prices.

The quarrel in court between the four brothers is over the sharing of the \$10,000,000 left by their mother. The younger sons, Claus A. and Rudolph J., and their sister, Emma, contend that the two elder brothers should not share in their fortune, because their father gave them, during his life, property worth over \$17,000,000.

CAR THIEF GETS \$50,000

Chicago Man Is Robbed on Sleeper on Way to New York.

NEW YORK, June 5.—(Special.)—While every effort has been made to keep the matter a secret, it became known today that William A. Miner, a wealthy business man of Chicago, lost or was robbed of \$50,000 in cash and negotiable papers while en route Thursday night from Chicago to New York on the Twentieth Century Limited train, which arrived at the Grand Central Station shortly after 9 o'clock Friday morning.

Detectives employed by the Pullman Car Company have been working on the case since Friday, but so far as could be learned tonight, no trace of the money and securities has been found.

Enjoining to secrecy the few friends whom he took into his confidence, Mr. Miner reported his losses to the Pullman Car Company and at once took steps to have canceled a letter of credit for a large sum which had been issued by a Chicago bank and which Mr. Miner intended taking with him on a trip to Europe early this week. It is understood considerably more than half of the \$50,000 loss is covered by the letter of credit and negotiable papers.

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RATE MEETINGS IN CLUSTERS COMING

Development of Interest to Nation Due.

ROADS TO PROTEST TO TAFT

Legal Corps of 25 Lines to Talk Injunction Defense.

SHIPPERS WILL BE ACTIVE

While Presidents of Big Systems Are Telling Troubles, in White House, Joint Conference on Question Will Be Held.

CHICAGO, June 5.—(Special.)—Developments of the most vital interest to the railroads and interests of the entire country as well, will come this week, following four conferences concerning the rate fight.

Tomorrow morning the Western and Eastern railroad presidents will meet President Taft and attempt to show him that the Government fight on railroad rates is unjust. President E. P. Ripley, of the Santa Fe; President Delano, of the Wabash; President Felton, of the Chicago Great Western, and President Hughtitt, of the Chicago & Northwestern, left Chicago for Washington today.

Legal Corps to Meet. While this conference is being held at the White House, the legal corps of 25 Western railroads will begin a meeting in this city to devise a defense to the Government injunction suit, in event it is pressed to an issue.

On Tuesday, the shippers will meet to strengthen their lines of attack. Representatives of the commercial associations of 15 cities will assemble in this city to tighten up their battle front.

Joint Committees to Meet. On Wednesday, the railroads and companies from the shippers will meet in a joint conference in Chicago. By that time each side will know its exact position; the attitude of the Government will have been made clearer and it is hoped a compromise will be reached, which will stop the present war and consequent unrest in all lines of business.

That the shippers fear President Taft may decide to stop the Government injunction suit is intimated from several quarters.

THAYER SEES DYING WIFE

Deputy Takes Prisoner to Bedside Upon Woman's Plea.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 5.—(Special.)—A reconciliation between Mr. and Mrs. David Thayer was effected at Camas last night, while the wife was on what it is believed will prove her death bed.

Thayer was in jail for assaulting his wife's mother, and when Mrs. Thayer felt she was about to die, she called the town Marshal, William Warren, and made a dying request that she be permitted to see her husband.

Thayer was in the County Jail here and was taken to Camas by Deputy Sheriff Walters. He was returned to jail last night.

Many citizens in Camas will ask the court to permit Thayer to go to Camas, that he may be there when his wife dies and attend the funeral without a guard. He has promised to go to work and pay \$10 a month toward his fine.

36 HURT IN TRAIN WRECK

Southeastern Limited, on Frisco Line, Meets With Accident.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., June 5.—The Southeastern Limited on the Frisco road was wrecked this afternoon in Walker County, about 50 miles west of Birmingham.

Thirty-six persons were injured, six of them seriously.

PRINCE TO VISIT CAPITAL

Cousin of Emperor of Japan to Be Received at Washington.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—Semi-official and political in character will be the visit to Washington this week of Prince Fushimi-No-Mya, cousin of the Emperor of Japan, and his wife.

Obviously their visit has no significance and is merely part of a world tour that the distinguished couple are taking.

REVOLUTION NOT BEGUN

Chinese Exposition at Nanking Is Quietly Opened.

NANKING, China, June 5.—Notwithstanding recent threats that a revolution would be established today at the opening of the exposition, this ceremony was carried out without disorders.

Citizens who a few days ago were leaving the city are now returning.

THE FAIR EST ONE. HOSPITALITY. Portland