MERCHANT PRINCE OF CHINA TALKS

Oriental Agent of Portland Firm Says Far East Progresses.

SILVER PRICES IMPORTANT

Quan Kai Says Good Crops in India Boost Money, Which Causes Demand for Wheat and Flour From America.

China's future as a united nation of power and strength, with a fine patri-otic spirit, was pictured in good Eng-Hen terms by Quon Kai, a Chinese visiting Portland as the guest of the

visiting Portland as the guest of the Portland Flouring Mills, whose representative he is in the Orient.

Mr. Kal, a remarkably intelligent, bread-minded man, is accompanied by his son and two nephews, who will remain in this country to be educated. They will attend school in Partland and live with Moy Back Hin, Chinese The sen brought over on this trip

is the third whom he has started upon a course of education in this country. Kal has four wives and 18 children. We have a peculiar custom in China We have a peculiar custom in China and I am well aware of the fact that and I am well aware of the fact that in this country you do not follow the lines which we do in this respect, but it is a custom with our people which we have followed for many centuries; that is, the perpetuation of our names. My first wife was the mother of only girls and to carry the name it was necessary to have a boy, so she insisted that I take another wife and be the father of a boy to carry the name of that I take another wife and be the father of a boy to carry the name of Mai on to posterity. Had I had a boy by my first wife there would have been no necessity for taking another wife.

It != Kai's belief that China is rapidly forging shead as a mation and it will not belong before she takes her place among the nations of the world, so that she will be recognized at her true worth.

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"China is advancing rapidly." said Kal. "We have assemblies in the provinces, with legislative powers and Governors who, though appointed, are responsive to the wishes of the people. The fact of the matter is China is becoming rapidly Westernized. We have been absorbing your philosophy, your decirines of government and have been advanting our youth under your stars and stripes. There are many young mee in China who know all about the life of Washington and Lincoln and all ef your patriots of the revolutionary period. We are moving toward a unification of national spirit so that we can be a united country with only one object.

These legislative assemblies in the various provinces meet annually, pass their laws, have their chairmen and act and do just the same as your legisla-

Chinese congress or national as-The Chinese congress or national as-sembly already has its annual meetings, but does not have power to pass laws and will not acquire that authority for four or five years. It will be produc-tive of new statesmen and new con-ditions and out of these will grow a new China which will be accepted by the world as part and parcel of the march of events.

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T received from Mr. Wilcox the \$10.000 collected by Mr. Ben Selling for the relief of the Chinese in the famine disrelief of the Chinese in the ramine dis-tricts. You know I am not a stranger to Portland and have many old-time friends in this part of the world. My first visit to Portland was made in 1876. It was a very small town then and I came up from San Francisco by boat. So when I received the meney raised by the people of Portland and Oregon I was anxious to do the right thing. I inquired by cable as to what disposition the people wanted to be

made of the money.

And the reply came at once that I was to use my own judgment. So I converted the money into Mexican silver and sent 18,000 Mexican dollars to the vicercy of Canton and 14,000 to the vicercy of Ngan Whel, tributary to the city of Shanghal. Here it was turned ever to the Imperial committee, appointed by the emperor to relieve the distress of the poor people.

Two Causes of Famine.

This committee bought the flour and the rice and all necessary articles to save the people from starvation. The familie districts which were affected familine districts which were affected most were the Kwung Tung, in South China and the Ngan Whei in North China. It is a strange fact that in North China the famine was due to floods and in South China due to drouth causing a failure of the crops. The poverty was not felt until last Novempoverty was not feet until and com-ber and now that Spring is advanced so that vagetables are in the market there is some relief; but many still suffer. "Business conditions in China are improving and the sale of flour in which

improving and the sale of hour in which I am largely engaged is growing. In-dia has a good crop and strange as it may seem that means a good deal to us, for it will mean a demand for sil-wer and silver will go up in price. There are two elements to the flour situation which we consider as vital and these are the price of sliver and the price of

Wheat.

"If the price of silver is high it means its purchasing power has gone up and if the price of wheat is low in America it means cheap flour and that is what we have got to have in China if we sell any. The flour can easily get too high for the consuming chasses. The boycout had some effect sometime ago but we have largely overcome that

America China's Ideal.

The business man of China likes America it is his ideal and for this country he has the hest of feeling but your immigration laws are irritating and humiliating to the Chinese of intelligence. Now I have visited this country, lived in it and I grew up in it. I came to San Francisco from Canton in 1870 and went to school there. In 1872 I went into business in San Francisco and have three stores there at the present time. I was the first at the present time. I was the first man to start stores in Guatemais, San the present time. It is the best of feeling would prevail.

Salvador and Nicaraugua and still have these stores. I was here years ago and have represented the Portland Flouring Mills for many years. Yet when I landed in San Francisco had it not been for J. W. Ganeng, of Portland, I would not have been enabled to come ashore until I had established the fact that I was entitled to land by a series of affidavits. As it was Mr. Ganeng made an affidavit and looked after the Custom House officials until I was ashore. What thins objects to is the humiliation which is placed upon responsible citizens of the Chinese empire. Were it not for this the best of feeling would prevail.

Chinese Would Be Friends.

"Throughout the empire there is a

strong dasire to cultivate the friendship of America for the sole reason
that we feel America has no desire to
take pari of our soil. All other countries seem to have a strong purpose of
grabbing some part of the Chinese empire. We have had notable examples
in the past and during the entire existence of the period since the opening
of the empire to commerce there has
been a constant struggle by foreign
nations to grab the land. For this reason China feels that America is her
friend and we would be the happiest
pair upon the earth if we could only
get a little better treatment under your
immigration laws."

Quan Kai has a silk factory in Hongkong and is connected with the Pacific
Mail and the Portland & Asiatic Steamahip Companies. He is said to be worth
many hundreds of thousands of dollars.
He will remain in Portland until after
June 1, awaiting the return of T. B.
Wilcox from the East.

PASTOR WARNS ELECTORS

Dr. Hinson Tells Congregation to Beware of "Graft" Candidate.

"If you stand for immorality and drunkenness and graft and a wideopen town, there are some men seeking
your votes who will voice your will,"
said Dr. Walter B. Hinson, in his sermon at the Whitz Temple last night,
but if you would have Portland the
kind of city that shall shine as a bea-

CHINESE MERCHANT VISITS PORTLAND ASSOCIATES.



con light in the Northwest you know some candidates in this municipal election against whom you should vote and speak and work.

"Portland may need a great many things, but just now it needs a Mayor," continued the speaker, "a Mayor who is lord of all 'neath his own hat; and not some caricature of a man, who is owned and controlled by the enemies of true presperity and the foes of man.

"We need a city government that will take our police force out of politics, or take politics out of the police, a government that will regard as a mored trust

take our politics out of the politics, of take politics out of the politics, a government that will regard as a sacred trust the rights of all, regardless of class distinction, or party, or elique affiliation, a government that is self-reliant, consistent with the ideals of a twentieth century civilization, and free to its last analysis of any entanglement with capital, or labor, east end, or west end, north or south.

"For God's sake do something," is engraved on the title page of a modern book. We need to beed the adage. And here in Fortland we need to besilr ourselevs and make of our fair city a real city of God, in which the children of men can live the highest life possible to mortals. For here great evils exist, and fanuting themseleves in the day-light.

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"Men seeking position, honor and
trust are hand in glova with these
forces of iniquity, and no duty is discharged by indifference at a time like
this. The hosts of the dark are
grouped into a menseeful unanimity.
Let the children of the light be at
least as wise as are the legions of
hell. Your representative is the man
you choose to represent you."

SONG CAPTURED PARIS

Mary Garden Sings Great Aria That Made Her Favorite Star at

The great soprano aria from Char-pentier's "Louise," which so captivated Paris that Mary Garden is now the most popular star of the Opera Comique, is carrying audiences by storm wherever Mary Garden appears on her present tour. The Charlotte Daily Ob-server says: "The audience listened present tour. The Charlotte Daily On-server says: The audience listened enraptured. This great aria occurs at the opening of the third act. Louise and her bridegroom Julien are in the midst of their bonsymoon. It is from a heart too full of hiss beyond wild-est dream that the great vocal de-scription of the height of purely human happiness issues. Over and over again during the number the strain of overwhelming torrential happiness is heard. There can be no wender that heard. There can be no wender that Miss Garden, when she substituted in this great role in Paris, sprang at once to the drst rank almost at a single

performance."
Mary Gardan will sing this beautiful aris at her Portland concert at the Armory Saturday night, June 1. Both in and out-of-lown orders for seats are now being received by Lois Steers-Wynn Coman, under whose direction she appears. Regular seat sale opens at Sherman-Clay's Wednesday, May 11. at 10 A. M.

AUTO SPEEDERS PAY FINES

Two Caught Sunday Penalized Se3 Each by Court.

Sunday speeders made their appearance in Municipal Court yesterday in recognition of the first attractive holiday in many weeks, and pleaded guilty to having had \$15 worth of speed. Guy day in many weeks, and pleaded guilty to having had \$25 worth of speed. Guy T. Ketcheson compromised the arresting officer's charge that he was going 50 miles and hour by confessing to 25 and paying at the rate of a dollar a mile. He was captured at East Twenty-eighth and Broadway streets.

Dr. J. A. Petit was another victim stopped by Patrolman Evans, to whom he asserted that he was answering the call of a patient and that a weman in the car with him was a nurse. Judge Taxwell expressed diseatisfaction with the explanation, and ordered Evans to bring the physician

Eddis McAllen turned a corner too quickly and was fined \$25 for reckless driving.

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LEASE TAKEN

John S. Beall to Build at Washington and Fourth.

EIGHT STORIES PLANNED

Merchants' National Bank to Be Quartered in Structure to Rise at Once - 50-Year Grant Obtained-Foundation Ready.

Leased for 30 years to John S. Beall, the lot at the northeast corner of Fourth and Washington streets will be the site of an eight-story office building which will be constructed with the least possible delay. The ground floor has been subleased for 20 years to the Merchants' National Bank, and it is expected that the building will be completed in time for the bank to occupy its new quarters by December 1 next.

The ground is owned by Mrs. Caroline A. Trimble, and was the subject of a lease to a syndicate of Portland men styled the Association of Business Property Owners, which undertook last January, with insdequate financial backing, to erect a 13-story building. After the frame buildings on the lot had been removed and a basement excavated the syndicate ran into financial shoals and was ousted. he lot at the northeast corner of Fourth

ran into financial shoals and was ousted by the owner. Since than abortive at-tempts have been made by other syndi-cates to take up the lease and carry out the building plans, but all found the job too big until Mr. Beall became in-terested. George H. Durham negotiated

Foundation Is Ready.

Mr. Bealt has ample financial backing and is prepared to go shead with the building as soon as preliminary arrangements such as drawing plans and letting the contract can be attended to. About, one month will be saved because exceilent foundation and basement walls have been constructed. The foundation footings were established in a firm bed of gravel in a strong binding formation is feet below the street level. The basement is la feet deep in the clear.

The lot has a frontage of 100 feet on Washington street and 50 feet on Fourth. The ground rental will be \$1500 a month for the first 20 years and \$2000 a month for the remaining 10 years of the lease. The total amount of rent to be paid in the 30 years' duration of the lease is \$872,000. It is also provided that the building to be erected shall cost not less than \$20,000, and shall revert to the owner of the property at the expiration of the term. Mr. Beall has ample financial backing

term.
Although the lease requires the expenditure of only \$50,000 on the building, Mr. Beall said yesterday that the struc-ture would be of steel-frame freproof construction, and would cost from \$125,000 to \$150,000.

Handsome Building Contemplated

"It is my intention to put up a building that will be an ornament," said Mr.
Beall. "The bank quarters are to be
finished and furnished splendidly. Farther than that, plans for the building
have not been worked out."

Mr. Beall is president and general manager of Beall & Co., dealers lin contractors' implements and machinery, and is
a director of the Merchants' National

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The upper floors of the building from the second to the eighth are to be devoted to office purposes. It is understood that a safety deposit company is negotiating for quarters in the basement, where vaults may be constructed as an integral part of the building.

Removal of the Merchants' National to the new location means the taking up of the entire block between Third and Fourth streets on the north side of Washington with banking quarters. The Ladd & Tilton Bank removed several months ago to its new location at the northwest corner of Third and Washington, its space extending to the entrance of the Spalding building in the middle of the block.

At the next directors' meeting, May 30.

At the next directors' meeting, May 30, its capital stock from \$250,000 to \$500,000 The increase has not been voted upon formally, but opinions have been obtained from snough stockholders to insure that the proposal will be carried.

QUEEN RACE EXCITING

Miss Gladys Forrest Makes Leap in Mount Scott Contest.

Miss Gladys Forrest was the sen Miss Gladys Forrest was the sensation in the voting for Queen in the Mount Scett Rose Festival contest. She polled 19e votes and took second position. Jumping over two candidates from the vote Saturday night. Another gainer in the contest was Mrs. Nellie Star, who went from seventh to fourth position.

tion.

Lucile Berry maintained her position at the top of the list by a substantial majority. Miss White made a big gain of 115 votes, but the vote cast for Miss Forrest placed Miss Forrest one notch ahead of the candidate from Stewarts station, by a majority of five. Miss White has many friends who are working hard for her and she may be expected to make a sensational move at any time.

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The others to make good gains were Miss Bane and Miss Langguth. Several new candidates have been entered in the contest, but at present the fight seems to be hetween the first seven or eight candidates, although there is no telling when something may be heard from those down in the lower end of the list.

The vote at & o'clock last night:

\$23,000 IS PAID FOR LAND

J. M. Acheson Buys Quarter Block at Twenty-First and Glisan.

J. M. Acheson bought the quarter block at the southeast corner of Twen-ty-first and Glisan streets resterday from Herbert Marz, executor of the es-tate of Sarah F. Wisdom, for \$12,000. The ground is occupied by two frame buildings. "I have not reached any determina-

"I have not reached any antenness the property," said Mr. Acheson. "That location is the center of a local business district, and it is also in a section built up with many apartment-bouses. It would be an excellent site for a building with stores on the first floor and apartments above."

Trade of the United States with non-contiguous territory in 1919 reached a tetal of over \$100.000.000 an increase of roundly 180 that the Municipal Judge is directed to do so, under the provisions of the figures are available.



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THE NEW LINE IS THE SHORT LINE

CAR COMPANY PRINTS EDITORI-ALS ON TRANSFERS.

"No-Seat-No-Fare" Ordinance Opposed in Pointed Paragraphs Changed Daily.

In an effort to create sentiment against the proposed "no-seat-no-fare" ordinance which will be submitted to the voters at the coming election, the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company will have printed on the back Company will have printed on the back of its transfers each day original and convincing phrases calculated to catch the public eye and at the same time present an argument for the impracticability of the scheme.

The slogan on transfers that will be issued today will be: "If you and your wife want to take the same car and

but one seat is vacant, you can take that—she can come along in the next

fomorrow it will be: "How would the people attending the baseball games get home" On Thursday: Apply the 'no-seat-no-ride' proposition to your own husiness. Could you furnish enough help to keep patrons from wait-ing at all times?"

On Friday this will great street.

ing at all times?"
On Friday this will greet streetcar patrons: "Would this (meaning the proposed ordinance) be unreasonable for a department store? If so why is it not unreasonable as it stands?"
Officials of the company declare that the adoption of the proposed measure withally will demoralize their business.

According to its provisions no one will be allowed to enter a car if no seat is

"It is not a no-sast-no-fare ordi-nance," said F. W. Hild, general mana-ger, resterday, "It is a no-seat-no-ride' measure. A traveler will not be able to enter a car and stand even if he wants to. We will not be permitted to take him aboard unless a seat is pro-vided. It is impossible to furnish enough cars to accommodate everyone with a seal at rush hours and patrons of our lines do not expect or want us to."

JUDGE TAZWELL PRODDED

Liquor License Committee of Council Asserts Court Is Derelict.

Municipal Judge Tazwell has not complied with the law in regard to reporting violations of the model liquor ordinance, according to statements made at the meeting resterday afternoon of the liquor license committee of the City Council. Upon metion of Councilman Cellars, License Inspector Hutchinson was instructed to write to the court and ask him again to report.

NOVEL CAMPAIGN WAGED model liquor ordinance. He said that he wrote to Judge Taxwell immediately common subterfuges for violating the Sunday closing law, and steps are being ing him of its contents and requesting considered to break up the practice. The

BARTENDER FORFEITS BAIL Man Charged With Selling Liquor on Sunday Doesn't Appear.

him to report all violations of its provisions to the committee without delay.

There have been a good many violations since April 1, upon which date the model ordinance went into effect. Owing to the fact that it contains provisions making licenses forfeited upon conviction of a saloonkeeper for certain offenses, it is regarded by members of the committee as of great importance that all violations should be premptly reported to them.

Samagy closing law, and steps are being considered to break up the practice. The wording of the new model liquor ordinance, they say, gives them the power to close the places. The ordinance says:

"No intoricating liquors shall be sold or in any manner disposed of (specifying the hours of closing), and it shall be unlawful to keep open or unlocked any doors or passageway to any saloon or barroom."

Laborer Killed by Electric Car.

United Railways, a half-mile this side of Linnton yesterday, Joseph Koskela, deafened by the noise of a train on the adjacent Northern Pacific tracks, was run down by an electric car and instant-Jack Dalley, barrender for Frank
Minto, did not appear in Mun'cipal Court
yeaterday to answer to a charge of selling liquor on Sunday, and his ball of
100 was forfetted. Patrolman Tatt reported that he had no difficulty in buying a flask of whisky in Minfo's ealoon,
which was crowded, the bar being fenced
off.

The police say that the practice of
putting a screen around bars and leaving
the places open for use as billiard rooms

ly killed. His body was dragged 125
feet before the car was brought to a
stop. The motorman sounded his whistie, but Koskela could not hear it on
account of the noise of the steam train.
An inquest will be held by the Coroner
today to determine the responsibility.
Koskela was on his way to his work at
the plant of the Western Oregon Lumber
Company when the accident happened.
He was about 45 rears old and lived in
Linnton, where he left a wife and six
children. ly killed. His body was dragged 125

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