

WEST STANDS BY PURCHASING BOARD

Declares Bids for Supplies Have Been Obtained by Regular Advertising.

BOARD A BENEFIT, HE SAYS

Closes by Saying Board Will Continue to Do Business at Old Stand.

Correspondent Expects to Some of the Statements.

Governor West denies that he has conceded the State Purchasing Board to be a failure. He declares the charge that supplies have been purchased without having been advertised for regularly.

This latter charge The Oregonian's Salem correspondent denies. He repeats the charge that bids for state supplies have not been regularly advertised for.

"The article attacking the State Purchasing Board which appeared in this morning's Oregonian is so unfair and misleading and in many respects so absolutely without foundation of truth that it is ridiculous.

Lowest Bids Accepted, Is Statement. "The contracts awarded by the State Purchasing Board are the lowest because they were lowest bidders and the records will show that these contracts so awarded to Salem merchants were as low as the bids were awarded with those awarded to merchants outside of Salem."

"I want to say right here that the talk during the last campaign about the enormous saving that could be made by buying the supplies in bulk was largely tommyrot. I find that in the bids which the officials of the State Purchasing Board received during the last campaign, the State Purchasing Board has been a benefit to the state because of two things: It in a way has simplified the manner of purchasing supplies and has relieved the many different boards of a lot of detail work which otherwise would be thrown upon them."

No Deficiency, Says Governor. The Salem correspondent of The Oregonian says that the Board is facing a deficiency. There will be no deficiency, unless it be due to causes over which the Board has no control.

We are in touch with the situation and know the different superintendents of the Board and are keeping well within their appropriations. It is the lack of appropriations, has been a difficult matter for some of them, but they will succeed.

This morning's article was prompted by the personal dislike which the Salem correspondent of The Oregonian has for the State Purchasing Board. He has told me he was after Frazer's scalp and was going to get it. He is using the columns of his paper to do it.

Notwithstanding the news paper story, the State Purchasing Board will continue to do business at the old stand, and will use its best efforts toward purchasing supplies at the lowest possible figure, at the same time giving each and every bidder a square deal.

Correspondent Makes Reply. In reply to the Governor's charges D. H. Upjohn, correspondent at Salem for The Oregonian, makes the following statement: "Secretary Oleott was the authority for the statement to me that the board did not advertise for bids, and he stated as much in West's presence this afternoon. Governor West now knows that there was no personal animus on my part and he also now knows the authority for the other statements which he has repudiated."

"It is a fact that the board never advertised proposals, but sent the proposals through the mail. They did have published a small advertisement saying bids would be received, but Secretary Oleott positively insisted to me that the board sent out the proposals without advertising. I asked him how the board discriminated and how they sent them out to all of them, and he stated he supposed they did so by sending them to such firms as they thought would want to bid on the supplies."

"This came directly from him as a member of the State Purchasing Board. However, Kay was out of town and Governor West was not to be found. I spent considerable time with Secretary Oleott on this very point, and we looked into various laws as to the board's authority to award contracts without advertising, and he reiterated that the board had not advertised, as they thought it meant a saving of money."

"Other things that Governor West has to say in his statement speak for themselves, and I have nothing to say regarding them. But he has declared something that is untrue in stating that this article was inspired by personal animus. I was assigned to get the facts on this matter and write a story, and I did so."

The story concerning the State Purchasing Board which appeared on the first page of The Oregonian yesterday was not initiated by the Salem correspondent of this paper. He was assigned to gather the facts and write them into a story, after report had come to The Oregonian that the State Purchasing Board was not providing a

success and that its business was not being conducted strictly according to the declared purpose of the act. This sets at naught the Governor's charge that personal dislike for the State Purchasing Agent on the part of The Oregonian's Salem correspondence inspired the story.

STORM RAGING ON COAST

Mazatlan Suffers, but Guaymas This Time Escapes.

TUCSON, Ariz., Oct. 18.—Another terrific storm has swept the west coast of Mexico. One schooner is reported ashore at Mazatlan and the "Prisco" wharf has been severely damaged.

The Southern Pacific Railroad of Mexico lost all wires at midnight. Up to that time the gale had been blowing 12 hours.

Several washouts are reported on the road.

CLEONE WOMAN IN STATE SINCE CHILDHOOD DIES AT HOSPITAL



Mrs. Clara A. Province.

Mrs. Clara A. Province, wife of J. P. Province, of Cleone, Or., who for eight years was in the hotel business, died at the Good Samaritan Hospital at 9 o'clock yesterday morning after having undergone an operation. She was born in Iowa, January 25, 1871. When she was a small girl her parents moved to Washington, and after a few years to Mitchell, Or. She lived in Oregon 49 years. Five months ago she and her husband moved to Cleone.

Mrs. Province was the daughter of Madison and Sarah E. Swift. Her mother now lives at Bendon. She is survived by her husband, her son, Irving, and the following brothers and sisters: Wanda Swift, of Dayton, Or.; J. D. Swift, of Klamath Falls; Mrs. Lottie Keeler, of Klamath Falls; Mrs. Mattie Bingham, of Bendon, and Charles Swift, of Bendon.

NAVAL FORCES NOT ALLIED

Commanders Acting on Instructions From Own Nations Only.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—There is no joint international force acting as a unit in China, in the view of the State Department. Each of the naval commanders is supposed to be acting under instruction from his own government and although it is contemplated that they should support one another if foreign interests are endangered by the military operations, it is said positively that so far, there is no allied force, and consequently the question of seniority of naval commanders and right to direct the international operations has not been brought to an issue.

Although the revolutionary disturbances first occurred in Sze-chuen Province, there has been no considerable development of unrest, and the American Consul at Chungking reports comparative peace in that province. He reports that in the province is the revolutionary movement anti-foreign and that Americans generally are safe, although communication with the extreme eastern section of Sze-chuen is interrupted.

FOREIGNERS ARE SECURE

Chinese Telegrams Interdicted, but Those to Europeans Go.

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Oct. 18.—The Chinese colony of Santa Barbara gave out today a cable message received from Shanghai, under date of October 16, showing that there is no disposition whatever on the part of the revolutionists in China to injure foreigners.

IMPERIAL FLAG HOOTED DOWN

Manchu's Emblem Unpopular During Celebration of Confucius Day.

HONGKONG, Oct. 18.—The anniversary of the birth of Confucius was celebrated in general holiday today. The imperial flag was not seen. It was raised over a few shops in the morning, but the crowds yelled "down with the Manchus" until the flags were lowered.

TURKS BENT ON MASSACRE

Fears Felt for Safety of European Residents of Saloniki.

ROME, via Frontier, Oct. 18.—A massacre of all Europeans is planned by the radical element among the Turkish residents of Saloniki, European Turkey, according to refugees from that place.

All the cistern ships of the Italian navy have been ordered made ready for the transportation of drinking water to points along the Tripolitan Coast occupied by Italians, in case of the appearance of cholera among the soldiers.

CHICAGO, Oct. 18.—(Special)—Oregon people registered at Chicago hotels today as follows: From Klamath Falls—At the Great Northern, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Helman.

GEOGRAPHIC GREAT Oregon Congregationalists' Increase 10 Per Cent. 3 EDIFICES BUILT HERE

Progress of Creed in State Is Shown by Reports Read Before Annual Conference—Three Sessions Held Today.

Congregational churches of Oregon made an average increase of 10 per cent in membership and spent about \$100,000 in building churches and in other improvements in the past year, according to the report read by Rev. Daniel Staver before the annual congregational conference yesterday in the Sunnyside Church at East Thirty-third and East Taylor streets.

Reports were received from 51 churches in the state, and it was shown that each had made a substantial gain. Several have paid off their debts and only a few are without pastors.

In some instances the increase in church membership was shown to be more than 10 per cent, especially in Sunday school attendance and in the Christian Endeavor Societies. The reports intimate that the young people's organization is stronger than ever before in Oregon.

State's Progress Greatest. Rev. W. H. Meyer, retiring moderator, declared in his annual address that Congregationalism is making more progress now in Oregon than through the country than ever before, and that its strength is due to its stand for Christian education and for the betterment of the young people. He also spoke of conditions in Portland, where several new churches had been completed and dedicated since the last conference was held, and announced that the Hood River Congregational Church will soon have a fifth edifice.

Evangelism Is Topic. The Permanent Value of Evangelism" was the subject presented by Rev. V. P. Welch, of Sheridan. Remarks were made on this subject by Rev. G. A. Padlock, J. L. Jones, Rev. E. S. Bollinger, Rev. D. T. Thomas and Rev. J. J. Staub. Rev. Mr. Staub said that unless he knew the evangelist well he would prefer to be his own evangelist, rather than have his church disturbed by sensational methods.

After the social hour at noon R. H. Perkins, of the Portland Young Men's Christian Association, spoke on "The Men and Religion Movement," which was endorsed by the conference. In the evening "The Church and Social Problems" was considered.

OREGON TEAM BATTERED

COLLEGE MEN SLAUGHTERED BY HIGH SCHOOL SQUAD.

Game With Pullman May Be Tragedy, as Captain and Three Are Unfit to Play by Injuries.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., Oct. 18.—(Special)—Just as the Oregon varsity football team was about to round into the reasonable form for its early schedule it experienced the worst series of misfortunes last night it has had thus far.

A laughable scrimmage affair with Eugene High School was turned into a funeral dirge when several of the first squad men were dispatched to the hospital corps. Bill Mann, Oregon's dependable captain and right half back, suffered two broken ribs and a badly wrenched side that may keep him out of the game until after the critical contest with Pullman a week from Friday. Mann's painful injury is in the lower ribs just over the stomach, which makes apparatus protection against attack difficult. Even should his fractures mend before the game, the contest in his absence from scrimmage work will make a serious void in the team play routine during the interim.

Ben Chandler, one of the prominent candidates for the vacant end post, sustained a knee dislocation that will keep him out of the fray for a week, and Bob Fariss, a promising guard, is temporarily out of the mix with a cracked rib.

To further the spell of gloom, LaTourrette, quarter back, has seen off the hospital shelter since Saturday with a badly wrenched side, but he hopes to be in a suit before the game with Dudley Clark's Vancouver militia team, Friday.

Unless the varsity improves the miserable form that it displayed in the farcical match with the midget high school last Saturday, the game with Pullman might as well be pulled off by long distance correspondence. But the wise ones say that this will put the finger into the men later on. In the coming tilt with the Army men it is probable that a large squad of players will be used and that the real first team lineup will not be announced until next Tuesday evening. The plan is to leave here Wednesday morning and work in a practice on Multnomah field that afternoon. Roscoe Fawcett, sporting editor of The Oregonian, has been agreed upon as one of the officials in the game at Pullman. The prospective game with Pacific University has been definitely arranged to take place November 11.

musical numbers include songs by James Dunn, Fred Harvey and George Turnbull. Preparations are being made for the club's annual banquet, which will be given in about two weeks.

Redmond to Have Race Meet. A race meet will be held here October 29, 31 and 1. Thirty horses are here now and nine more are coming from Prineville, where they ran at the fair. The horses here now are from the Oregon circuit and have been racing at Salem, Eugene, La Grande and Pendleton.

Lincoln High Paper Issued. The first issue this term of the Cardinal, Lincoln High School student publication, is off the press. It was distributed to subscribers yesterday. The entire editorial staff is new this term. Howa Chisney, the school cartoonist, is one of the contributors. A question corner has been started for the benefit of inquirers about school happenings. Under the title "Unchartered Territory" the faculty has inserted several anonymous compositions. The censorship of the first issue by the faculty seems to have been less severe than in previous issues. Signed editorials are made a feature, as is the joke column. "Circles" is the title of an interesting story.

UNION FIGHTS CHINESE HOQUAM CITY OFFICIALS TAKE HAND IN DIFFICULTY. Effort to Run Mongolian Foundrymen Out of Business Leads Chinese Consul to Act.

HOQUAM, Wash., Oct. 18.—(Special)—Hoquiam is in the midst of a fight against the Chinese taken up by the Central Labor Council of the United States and the Chinese consul at Seattle. The effort to run the Chinese out of business leads the Chinese consul to act.

Some weeks ago the labor body urged through a local police officer, that steam laundries be patronized solely. About the same time Mayor Harry Ferguson ordered the arrest of two Chinese laundrymen. Police and Chicago Jim, on the ground that they were conducting laundries without permits and that their establishments were insanitary. The Chinese engaged counsel to look after their interests.

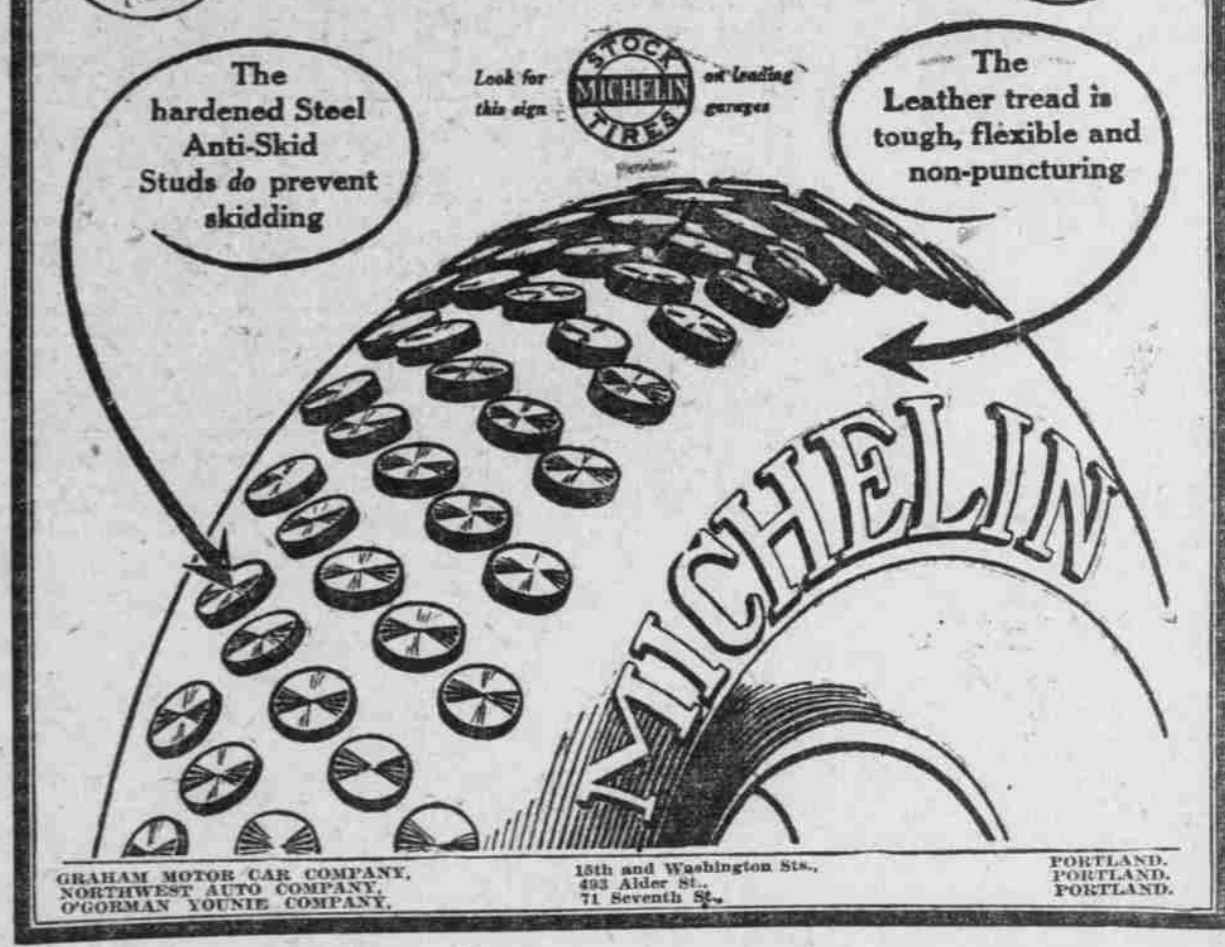
About two weeks ago the Chinese Consul at Seattle inquired of the trouble and telegraphed the Mayor, Chief of Police and Prosecuting Attorney of the County to look out for the interests of the Chinese, invoking the treaty between this country and China. The police and prosecuting attorney have been called for hearing and postponed five times, the hearing now being set for next Friday afternoon. The city officials, it is said, have so involved themselves that serious complications are likely.

STUDENTS HAVE "RALLY"

Pacific University Classes Vent Enthusiasm in Competition. PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, Forest Grove, Or., Oct. 18.—(Special)—Pacific University today held its annual "Rally Day" today. Marsh Hall was the scene of class mixes and various stunts of rivalry.

Auto Driver Not Blamed. Frank Russo Absolved by Jury Investigating Boy's Death. Freeing from blame Frank Russo, driver of an auto truck which ran down and killed Benny Schnitzer, aged 8 years, of 234 Arthur street, a coroner's jury last night returned a verdict of "unavoidable accident."

MICHELIN Anti-Skids "Semelle"



GRAHAM MOTOR CAR COMPANY, NORTHWEST AUTO COMPANY, OGDENMAN YOUNG COMPANY. 15th and Washington Sts., 493 Alder St., 71 Seventh St., PORTLAND, PORTLAND, PORTLAND.

TOBACCO PLAN ASSAILED INDEPENDENTS LOSE CONTENTION IN COURT.

Competition Cannot Intervene in Scheme of Reorganization for American Combine. NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—There will be no intervention by the so-called independents in the American Tobacco Company's proposed plan of reorganization. The United States Circuit Court handed down a decision so stating today, after the filing of a petition by counsel for three associations, giving grounds of opposition.

G. B. HANSARD IS PARDONED Governor Frees Eugene Man Who Violated Prohibition Law.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 18.—(Special)—Pardon for G. B. Hansard, of Eugene, was granted by Governor West today. He was indicted five times for violation of the local option laws and convicted on two of the charges. He was fined an aggregate of \$850 and sentenced to 30 days in jail.

Revenue Cutters to Be Armed. WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—All United States revenue cutters are to be equipped with six-pounder rapid-fire guns. Four of the pieces will be mounted on each ship, and the jackets will be instructed according to the Navy rules.

Governor Pothier Renominated. PROVIDENCE, R. I., Oct. 18.—The Republican state convention here today renominated Abram J. Pothier for Governor.

Advertisement for Brownsville Woolen Mills Store. Big Savings in Price of Woollen Goods. Sale will run all this month. Out prices on Men's Underwear, Men's Hosiery, Sweater Coats, Woolen Shirts, Colored Blankets, White Blankets, Carded Wool, Indian Robes. All Blankets, seconds, half price.

Advertisement for Pabst Blue Ribbon beer. For Those Who Appreciate good things to eat and drink there is no beer like Pabst Blue Ribbon. The Beer of Quality. There is something so distinctive, so delicious about it that the man who drinks it is never quite satisfied with any other brew. Order a case today. ABATA BROS. 89-91 Sixth St. Tel. Main 450, A 3531.

Advertisement for Scott's Emulsion. THE BRAIN is the force that keeps the nerves well poised and controls firm, strong muscles. Men and women who do the world's work can avoid Brain-fag and guard their health by feeding brain and body with Scott's Emulsion. ALL DRUGGISTS 11-61