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City Is Most Attractive in Northwest and Far Excels Los Angeles.

25,000 TRAVELERS STOP

Records of Ticket-Validation Office Show Supremacy of Metropolis, Which Is Second Only to San Francisco.

Among the cities of the Northwest Portland has taken first rank as a tourist center. Among the cities of the Pacific Coast Portland is second only to San Francisco, and ranks far ahead of Los Angeles. Reports completed yesterday by G. B. Kerth, manager of the Portland validating office of the Transcontinental Passenger Association, show that for the past year and a half the number of tickets validated in Portland was 14,253. The number of tourists who visited the city during that period is estimated at 25,000. This is by far the greatest number of validations for a single season since the Lewis and Clark exposition. It exceeds the 1910 record by more than 4000.

Seattle validated only 3000 tickets in the season, while Los Angeles handled about 2500. Tacoma, Vancouver, B. C., and San Diego are the only other Coast cities at which validation records are kept, but the business done at those points was so small that it was handled by the regular ticket agencies. Special validating offices are maintained only in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland and Seattle.

While San Francisco validated approximately 48,000 tickets, the record of Portland stands far ahead of the other cities of the Pacific coast. The business of the California city represents thousands of delegates to the National Educational Association and the International Sunday School Association, both of which held their 1911 meetings there. Mr. Kerth believes that the normal business done at San Francisco is no greater than that handled in Portland. Even the figure 14,253 does not represent the total number of tourists that visited Portland within the year. Tickets are issued at Eastern points for San Francisco permitting a routing through Portland with stopover privileges here on payment of a small sum in addition to the regular tourist rate. It is believed that fully 8000 persons availed themselves of that opportunity to visit Portland. Several special train parties stopped here in making their trip to or from San Francisco. Thousands of delegates to either of the two big San Francisco conventions, traveling singly or in groups, also called, some of them remaining here for several weeks.

It is estimated that at least 3000 tourists who had their tickets validated at Seattle and other points traveled through Portland, stopping here for brief periods. The total number of tourists visiting Portland in the season is estimated, therefore, at 25,000. August was the best month in the Portland validating office, fully 5000 tickets being handled. This is accounted for by the fact that September 1 usually is considered the end of the vacation period.

Mr. Kerth was sent here from Chicago at the opening of the tourist season in the spring. He became so attached to the city that he decided to remain, and has accepted a position as city passenger agent for the Canadian Pacific and Soo lines. In making his final report to Chicago he recommended that in the future the validating office in Portland be established in a convenient room in the business district of the city instead of in an out-of-the-way corner of the Union Depot.

Portland is growing in importance every year as a tourist center. It is entitled to an up-town office. It is the only city on the Coast that has to contend with a validating office in the depot. With the Elks' convention coming here next year the number of validations likely will exceed 50,000. That little office in the depot will be swamped in an endeavor to handle that amount of business. If the people of Portland insist on it, I believe that they can be given an up-town office next season.

Visitors Decide to Stay. Mr. Kerth says the three biggest conventions held in the United States every year are those of the Grand Army, the National Educational Association and the Elks. The number attending the Grand Army conventions is decreasing annually. The Elks' conventions are growing annually. He expects, therefore, that the Portland convention of the Elks next July will be one of the greatest gatherings of the kind ever held in the country.

is registered at the Carlton from Salt Lake City. E. T. Barnes, a prominent merchant of Salem, is registered at the Portland Hotel at the Bowers. M. Fybish and Abe Friendly, of Elmira, N. Y., have taken apartments at the Bowers.

P. N. Berg, a prominent insurance agent of San Francisco, registered at the Oregon yesterday. Robert Withycombe, director of the Eastern Oregon Experiment Station at Union, is at the Imperial.

H. E. Crosswell, a merchant of Washouak, accompanied by Mrs. Crosswell, is at the Oregon.

R. E. Gant, a Chicago architect, who assisted in designing plans for the Multnomah Hotel, is at the Bowers.

W. W. Kerr, president of the Oregon Agricultural College, was registered at the Imperial yesterday from Corvallis.

Misses Seabrook, publishers of a fruit growers' publication, are registered at the Carlton from Hood River.

George T. Myers, of Seattle, who is largely interested in Alaskan salmon packing, is registered at the Portland.

Dr. H. H. Olinger, secretary of the State Board of Health, is registered at the Imperial from Salem.

J. W. Lyons, of Seattle, legal representative for Considine & Sullivan, was registered yesterday at the Imperial.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. McIntosh and Mrs. A. D. Davidson, of Independence, were registered yesterday at the Cornelia.

Louis R. Haseltine, an architect, accompanied by Mrs. Haseltine and son, is registered at the Bowers from Salem.

Miss Elizabeth Reuter, of Medford, and Miss Dorothy Reuter, of the Dalles, registered at the Cornelia yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Moody, of Sherbrooke, and Mrs. J. J. Phelan, of Portland, registered at a party registering at the Portland.

Robert E. Strahorn, vice-president of the O. W. R. & N. Company, accompanied by Mrs. Strahorn, is at the Portland.

R. M. Jennings, a business man of Marshfield, accompanied by Mrs. Jennings, was registered at the Portland yesterday.

George W. Sanborn, a Columbia River salmon packer, accompanied by Mrs. Sanborn, is registered at the Portland from Astoria.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Ballestro have returned from Berkeley, Cal., where their daughters are attending the University of California.

C. A. Johns, attorney, W. L. Vinson, a mining promoter, and W. M. Pollard, a real estate agent, were registered at the Imperial yesterday.

J. D. Carroll, a business man of Klamath Falls, was at the Imperial yesterday. Mr. Carroll is returning to Klamath Falls from a business trip to Chicago.

United States Senator Gore, of Oklahoma, spent a few hours in Portland yesterday on a route from Eugene to Tacoma. He was registered at the Portland from Lawton, Okla.

GRAND JURY SELECTED

NOVEMBER BODY TO BEGIN INQUIRY THURSDAY.

Taswell May Be Object of Investigation and Fight by Labor Against Hicks Is Probable.

With cases of unusual interest before it, the November grand jury was drawn in Judge Gatens' court yesterday and will report to District Attorney Cameron Thursday to commence its duties. While only three of the members appear in the directory, the prosecutor yesterday said that the grand jury and other officials will do good work. The inquisitors are S. B. Sandier, S. C. Wagner, George Ralston, M. C. Calf, Alfonso Dambrino, J. J. McInerney and P. Salinger.

Most notable of the new jury's cases may be the complaint against Municipal Judge Taswell for misconduct in office by releasing prisoners without authority. Following the heels of the indictment of Max G. Cohen, Taswell's temporary successor, returned by the grand jury, the investigation, if it is carried through as announced, may be productive of sensations.

Cohen's friends are likely to retaliate by seeking another indictment against Judge Taswell. The North End saloon-keeper, on whose wife's affidavit Cohen was held, Cohen is a recent criminal, a disorderly man in the Municipal Court, brought out testimony that Krasser sought to extort money from his client, to purchase immunity from police interference, and while it is evidence of the grand jury, while it is also probable that Hicks will go before the grand jury in his own behalf.

A minor case that will be watched with close attention in some quarters is the action on an information against Keating & Flood, theater proprietors, held to answer for displaying prizefight pictures in the Lyric Theater. The case against them is pressed by the Municipal Association, which argues that since prizefighting is prohibited, life-size pictures of a prizefight are also prohibited. The case, being based on a statute forbidding the presentation in theaters of representations of crime, may be thrown out on a technicality that the prizefight was not a crime at the place where it was held.

Numerous routine cases of larceny and another great of juvenile delinquency cases will fill much of the time of the jury.

AUTO COMMITTEE NAMED

Three Councilmen to Consider Changes in City Motor Laws.

Councilmen Burgard, Watkins and Monks were appointed yesterday by Mayor Rushlight as a committee to confer with the Portland Automobile Association and the Oregon Automobile Association on the ordinance relating to the automobile traffic of the city. A change in the city ordinance has been found necessary because of conflict of the present ordinance with the state law. The Council committee will meet this week with a committee of automobile men.

Mayor Rushlight appointed Councilmen Daly, Fox and Menefee as a committee to investigate the condition of streets near the riverfront in the vicinity of Water, Stark and Alder streets used by the railway companies as terminals.

Player pianos rented, \$12 per month free music rolls. Kohler & Chase, 373 Washington street.

MARTIN SAYS OLD BLON BIRGES WEST

Fugitive Declares Husband of Governor's Wife's Cousin Blacked Oswald's Eye.

COURT ADMITS TESTIMONY

Man Kidnaped Asserts He Is "Keeps Company" With Relative of Executive's Spouse—Detectives Deny Guilt.

"Governor West was a humane officer or something before he was Governor and a few years ago he was given a Black eye at a racetrack in Salem by a man named Martin, who was then the husband of Miss Leah A. Martin, with whom I am now keeping company," volunteered Leo W. Martley, Judge Gatens' court yesterday afternoon. He was testifying against Detectives Mallett and Moloney, who are charged with contempt of court for having assisted in kidnaping Martin and taking him to the State of Washington while he was on bail from Judge Gatens' court.

Miss Martin, the witness said, is a cousin of the Governor's wife. She called the Governor on the long-distance telephone and also telegraphed him asking that he refuse to sign extradition papers for Martin. She was taken to Colorado until his attorneys had fully explained the circumstances, Martin declared. The witness admitted that the Governor's action in honoring the regulation papers might have been influenced by the affair with Simmons.

Explanation Is Recorded.

"Your honor, this is all interesting, but I fail to see in what way this material in this proceeding," objected John H. Stevenson, appearing for the detectives. Judge Gatens ruled that it was not particularly material, but he allowed the statement to stand on the record on the ground that it was a part of the history of the case.

Both Mallett and Moloney, through their attorney, Stevenson, entered pleas of not guilty. Their attorney also demurred to the affidavit on which the proceeding was based. With ten minutes of the time he left the Court-house Saturday, he testified, he was hustled into the automobile and taken to Bridal Veil, whence he was taken to Prindle, Wash., in a fisherman's boat.

The detectives, he declared, made vulgar remarks about being outside the jurisdiction of the court when they reached the Washington shore. These remarks were not complimentary to the judge, he said. Further hearing on the case was postponed until a date to be decided upon by counsel. It is probable that it will not be continued until after the detectives have been arraigned on the kidnaping charges. The object of taking Martin's testimony was to insure that the trial will be held, even if he is taken back to Colorado, Governor West having announced that he has signed new extradition papers.

Detectives Mallett and Moloney will enter formal pleas to the charges before Judge Gatens this afternoon.

JUDGES TO TALK CHANGE

M'GINN'S PLAN TO SAVE TIME TO BE DISCUSSED.

Gatens Calls Meeting of Fellow Jurists to Consider New Way of Assigning Cases.

Following the complaint of Judge McGinn that the Circuit Court judges for Multnomah County are wasting a great deal of their time because of the poor system of assigning cases through a presiding judge, a meeting of the judges is to be called by Judge Gatens to consider the question of action on which he advised in writing yesterday. A copy was given to each of the judges.

While the system proposed by Judge McGinn, in collaboration with Judge McGinn, will not do away with the presiding judgeship, it is expected to expedite the handling of cases. Hereafter, if the recommendations are adopted, the Clerk of the Circuit Court will have charge of assignment of cases, distributing them to the departments numerically as soon as appearance is entered. The duty of each department to make such assignments as may seem fit for the handling of cases, and to take preliminary and supplemental proceedings in connection with cases assigned to his department. Each department will thus have its own presiding judge. He will continue to have charge of all applications for writs of habeas corpus and mandamus, injunction proceedings and defaults, including default divorces, unless such questions are connected with cases on the dockets of the other judges, which rarely happens.

The presiding judge will also have charge of the grand jury and will, on the first of the month, apportion the jurors equally to the different departments. Should one or more of the departments not be in need of jurors, as happens when equity cases are on trial, the jurors will report back to the County Clerk and be distributed among the remaining departments as the situation may demand.

Physical Directors Elect.

The Oregon Physical Directors Bo-

ELKS' FUND LOOMS

Canvassers After \$35,000 Purse Are Encouraged.

MANY RALLY TO CAUSE

Voluntary Contributions to Convention Entertainment Sack Are Numerous—Minnesota "Bills" Coming on Special.

Encouragement is given the local committee by the voluntary contributions received from various sources. Secretary McAllister went out yesterday and in less than half an hour gleaned \$500. Considerable money also came to him through the mail. Co-operation with the publicity committee in exploiting the convention is promised by the Elk newspaper men in all parts of the country. Recent Secretary McAllister communicated with various lodges of the country for the purpose of obtaining assistance of their members who are engaged in newspaper work. The results have been most gratifying. Soon after the first of the year, when the press bureau of the local commission starts its work, papers in all parts of the United States will print news of Portland's big meeting.

G. F. McNeill, city passenger agent of the Northern Pacific at Minneapolis, will arrive in Portland this week to arrange for 200 Elks of that city and St. Paul. A special train will carry them to Portland. A large number of members from Superior, Wis., the home of Thomas B. Mills, chairman of the board of grand lodge trustees and a candidate for grand exalted ruler, will arrive in Portland.

Assurance was received yesterday that the famous Quiene Sabe Marching Club of the El Paso, Tex., Lodge, with a large number of members from that city will be here. Texas is sold for Charles A. Rasbury, of Dallas, for grand exalted ruler.

When the canvassers started out yesterday they needed \$35,000 to make the \$125,000 fund complete. The campaign last Spring netted approximately \$90,000 in pledges. Nearly \$20,000 of this balance is payable in two other installments.

When Portland collects its \$125,000 it will have available a greater entertainment fund than ever was raised for the entertainment of a similar gathering. When members of the Dallas lodge went to Philadelphia four years ago with a certified check for \$50,000 they broke records. The mere suggestion of a larger amount pledged in advance would have been considered ridiculous. Portland promised \$125,000 two years before the convention and now promises to "make good."

Secretary McAllister has received reports from the various cities that have entertained the Grand Lodge within the last five or six years. An interesting item in the report of the Denver lodge, which handled the convention of 1906, appears under the head of receipts. It reads, "Gold and silver

WIDOW IS ALLOWED HALF

Judge Holds Edmunds' \$7500 Estate Must Be Divided.

\$35,000 Is Goal.

County Judge Cleeton decided yesterday in the Edmunds case that an estate in entirety in personal property does not exist in the State of Oregon. The judge followed precedents set by the Supreme Court of New York and Michigan and disagreed with the rulings of similar courts in Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, New Jersey and Missouri. The point has never been decided by the Supreme Court of Oregon and it is reported that the present case will not be taken to Salem for final adjudication. The point thus will be left open to controversy.

Alva C. Edmunds, National color-bearer for the G. A. R., who died at Rochester, N. Y., last August, while attending a reunion, made his will bequeathing the bulk of his estate to his widow, Mrs. Edmunds. After his death the question arose as to whether \$7500 in cash should revert to the widow as the sole beneficiary. The administratrix, a daughter, contended that the money should be distributed in accordance with the terms of the joint will, but this view was opposed by Mrs. Edmunds and other heirs.

Under Judge Cleeton's ruling Mrs. Edmunds will be entitled to \$3500, her original half, and the balance will go to the children, neither Mr. nor Mrs. Edmunds having left anything to the other in the will.

CHINA WORKER TO SPEAK

Secretary Leiser, of Canton Y. M. C. A., to Lecture Tomorrow.

Portland men who are interested in missions, especially in China, where the present uprising makes the subject of unusual importance, will have an opportunity tomorrow to hear an address by O. Leiser, general secretary of the Canton Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. Leiser will speak in the auditorium of the Portland Y. M. C. A. before an audience of men, including the missionary committee of the Men and Religion Forward Movement.

Mr. Leiser is expected to give interesting information concerning the present disturbances in China. One object of the meeting is to encourage the formation of mission-study classes in all churches that are now without such organizations. The old missionary committee formed by the Laymen's Missionary Movement, when it conducted its campaign in Portland, has been reorganized as the missionary committee of the Men and Religion Forward Movement, and an active campaign is being conducted both at home and abroad is being conducted.

Mr. Leiser is stationed at the same association in China as M. A. Keen, a former Portland man, who is now visiting in this city. He is one of the leaders in the work of the Y. M. C. A. abroad, Canton having the only association in Southern China.

\$20 PIECE NOT LUCKY

Negro Train Cook and Waiter in Court Over Gold.

"Let me feel that money, man; I ain't had none for so long no piece, I think my arm is broke; maybe it'll change my luck."

So Miles Leadbetter, dining-car waiter, says he addressed S. Vessels, third cook, when Vessels displayed a \$20 gold-piece on their last run together to Huntington.

Vessels says no such conversation took place, and for confirmation points to the fact that Leadbetter's luck did not change, for he was arrested and became no richer.

Vessels was displaying his money and diamonds to the conductor, when Leadbetter sought to touch the double eagle for luck. Witnesses said he went further and picked it up, but he denied the charge, and asserted that the next day Vessels offered to bet him the identical \$20 that a favored patron of the road would be allowed to have his breakfast in his berth and go to sleep again. The case was dismissed.

If you have young children you have perhaps noticed disorders of the stomach are their most common ailment. To correct this you will find Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets excellent. They are easy and pleasant to take, and mild and gentle in effect. For sale by all druggists.

We Get a Slap. The big coffee trust, made up of Brazilian growers and American importers, has been trying various tactics to boost the price of coffee and get more money from the people. Always the man who is trying to dig extra money out of the public pocket, on a combination, hates the man who blocks the game. Now comes a plaintive bleat from the "exasperated" ones. The Journal of Commerce lately said: "A stirring circular has just been issued to the coffee trade." The article further says: "The coffee world is discussing what is to be the future of coffee as a result of the campaign of mis-education carried on by the cereal coffee people. We have before us a letter from one of the largest roasters in the South asking what can be done to counteract the work of the enemies of coffee. "The matter should have been taken up by the Brazilian Gov't when they were completing their beautiful valorization scheme." Then the article proceeds to denounce Postum and works into a fine frenzy, because we have published facts regarding the effect of coffee on some people. The harrowing tale goes on. "Where a few years ago everybody drank coffee, several cups a day, now we find in every walk in life people who imagine they cannot drink it. (The underscoring is ours.) Burly blacksmiths, carpenters, laborers and athletes have discontinued or cut down the use of coffee; as there is not a person who reads this and will not be able to find the same conditions existing among his own circle of acquaintances, is it not well for the Brazilians to sit up and take notice?" "Isn't it curious these 'burly' strong men should pick out coffee to 'imagine' about? Why not 'imagine' that regular doses of whiskey are harmful, or daily slugs of morphine?" If "imagination" makes the caffeine in coffee clog the liver, depress the heart and steadily tear down the nervous system, bringing on one or more of the dozens of types of diseases which follow broken-down nervous systems, many people don't know it. But it remained for the man who has coffee, morphine or whisky to sell, to have the supreme nerve to say: "You only imagine your ailments. Keep on buying from me." Let us continue to quote from his article. "Notwithstanding the enormous increase in population during the past three years, coffee shows an appalling decrease in consumption." Then follows a tiresome lot of statistics which wind up by showing a decrease of consumption in two years of, in round figures, two hundred million pounds. Here we see the cause for the attacks on us and the Brazilian sneers at Americans who prefer to use a healthy, home-made breakfast drink and incidentally keep the money in America, rather than send the millions to Brazil and pay for an article that chemists class among the drugs and not among the foods. Will the reader please remember, we never announce that coffee hurts all people. Some persons seem to have excess vitality enough to use coffee, tobacco and whisky for years and apparently be none the worse, but the number is small, and when a sensible man or woman finds an article acts harmfully they exercise some degree of intelligence by dropping it. We quote again from the article: "These figures are paralyzing, but correct, being taken from Leech's statistics, recognized as the most reliable." This is one of the highest compliments ever paid to the level-headed, common sense of Americans who cut off about two hundred million pounds of coffee when they found by actual experiment (in the majority of cases) that the subtle drug—caffeine, in coffee, worked discomfort and varying forms of disease. "There's a Reason" Postum Cereal Company, Limited, Battle Creek, Michigan.