

BANKER SENTENCED AS PACT'S BROKEN

F. N. Myers, Head of Wrecked Mount Scott Concern, May Serve Two Years.

30 DAYS' GRACE GRANTED

Judge Gatens Imposes Penitentiary Penalty and \$1000 Fine When Financier Doesn't Pay Depositors as Agreed.

Paying no attention to the prisoner's declaration that he had pleaded guilty only after he had been led to believe that he would be paroled, other than to say that he had not been a party to any such arrangement...

The Judge, however, granted a stay of 30 days, for which period Myers will be confined in the County Jail, to give the banker another opportunity to make good the losses of depositors.

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Depositors Against Lenity. John R. Cleland, attorney for Receiver Tobin, informed the court that should every lawsuit be successful the depositors would eventually receive dividends aggregating 65 per cent. C. M. Idlemann, who was employed as special prosecutor by the depositors said that his clients were opposed to leniency for Myers.

That Myers would be able to raise the money to pay off the depositors was considered improbable, but District Attorney Cameron consented to recommend that he be given the chance and also to recommend a parole in case of success at the request of Mrs. Myers and other relatives and friends of the banker.

There is really nothing to be said in behalf of a banker who proves delinquent to his trust," said Judge Gatens in passing sentence. "A borrower from a bank must give ample security, while a depositor has only the integrity of the bank officials to rely upon."

Banker's Record Bad. Myers has had a meteoric banking career. Several banks which he started in California were eventually received by the Commission of that state. He then came to Oregon and obtained charters for a large number of state banks. A few were actually opened, the charters of others were merely received, and the remainder were declared forfeited because of failure to pay the state corporation tax.

Myers' attempt to organize the Italian-American bank met with failure. Charges that he accepted deposits in the name of that institution although it had been refused a license to do business are still pending against him.

FIRE PROTECTION ASKED

Mount Scott Residents Unite in Appeal for Station There.

Mount Scott residents between Powell Valley road and Grave Crossing, which is the city boundary, are asking that steps be taken to provide that district with fire protection. Rev. W. H. Meyer, of the Mount Scott Citizens' League, said yesterday that the clubs of that district will urge the installation of a fire company as speedily as possible.

In the district it is estimated that there are nearly 10,000 residents who have no protection. A number of business buildings have been built along the Foster road out to East Seventy-second street, and there is a 20-room schoolhouse at the end of the street. In the last three years aggregate nearly \$100,000, including the recent blaze.

It is believed that a combination chemical fire engine will be better for that district than a heavy fire engine that could not be taken quickly over the unimproved streets, and, save for the mains recently laid, the water supply is short. The water mains are wooden and there are no fire plugs. The pipes run from 1 1/2 to three inches in diameter.

Superior coal \$5.50. Edleson's yard.

"LONG AND SHORT" OF ELKDOM HERE TO PREPARE FOR BIGGEST CONVENTION IN HISTORY OF ORGANIZATION.



JOHN P. SULLIVAN, GRAND EXALTED RULER, SIX FEET THREE; FRED C. ROBINSON, GRAND SECRETARY, FOUR FEET TEN.

BOSS ELKS HERE FOR BIG STAMPEDE

Four Leaders of Cheery Order Declare Portland Convention Will Outshine All.

HOTELS ARE INSPECTED

Headquarters, Hall and Route of Huge Parade to Be Selected. Grand Exalted Ruler Sullivan Says City Will Be Thronged.

From the lips of Elkdom's highest officials Portland was told yesterday to prepare for the greatest gathering ever assembled in the Northwest, when the 48th annual convention of the Elks' grand lodge will be held here July 12-14.

That the meeting in Portland will be the biggest in the history of the order, and undoubtedly the best medium ever offered for the advancement of Portland's interests was the common opinion of John P. Sullivan, of New Orleans, grand exalted ruler; Fred C. Robinson, of Tubugut, Ia., grand secretary; Thomas B. Mills, of Superior, Wis., chairman of the board of grand trustees; and Casey L. Applegate, of Salt Lake City, grand trustee, who are here for the purpose of arranging the details of the convention.

Principal among the plans that will be determined while they are in the city will be the selection of a hotel for grand lodge headquarters, a convention hall and the route of the parade.

Hotel to Be Chosen. The selection of the grand lodge hotel, as a matter of fact, lies in the hands of the trustees, for whom Mr. Mills and Mr. Applegate have full power to act.

While the route of the official parade, which will be held Thursday, July 11, rests partially with the Portland committee, of which George L. Baker is chairman, the grand lodge officials will have to place their approval on this action.

Chief to Pick Parade Route. This duty really is in the hands of James R. Nicholson, the grand exalted ruler, who lives in Springfield, Mass., but he has delegated Mr. Sullivan to act for him, inasmuch as the grand exalted ruler, previous to his elevation to his present office, occupied the position of grand exalted ruler.

All the visiting officials expressed their desire to route the parade over streets from which it can be seen by the greatest possible number and which will afford the most opportunity for spectators to obtain grandstand sites.

Hall Also to Be Chosen. As the municipal auditorium will not be ready for occupancy by the time the convention is held, other buildings must be considered for the meeting place. The temporary auditorium erected for the Gipsy Smith meetings, the Armory or the Hellig Theater are adequate to accommodate the meetings and it is probable that one of these will be selected.

"I expect to see the Portland meeting surpass all others in points of attendance and the enjoyment of the members who attend it," said Grand Exalted Ruler Sullivan last night. "Wherever I have gone I have found that the Elks are eager to come here. The Elks of the West have made good and they know that Portland will do as good or probably even better than Los Angeles or Denver."

Order's Progress Great. "Even the people of Los Angeles and Denver hope to see Portland outdo them, because they will see that our order is progressing and increasing in membership and that the interest of its members is increasing. As a matter of fact, we are making wonderful progress this year. I hope to make this the banner year of Elkdom, as nearly all of my predecessors have done in their respective domains."

CHRISTMAS RUSH LIVENS

Many Shoppers Realize Advantage of Buying Gifts Early.

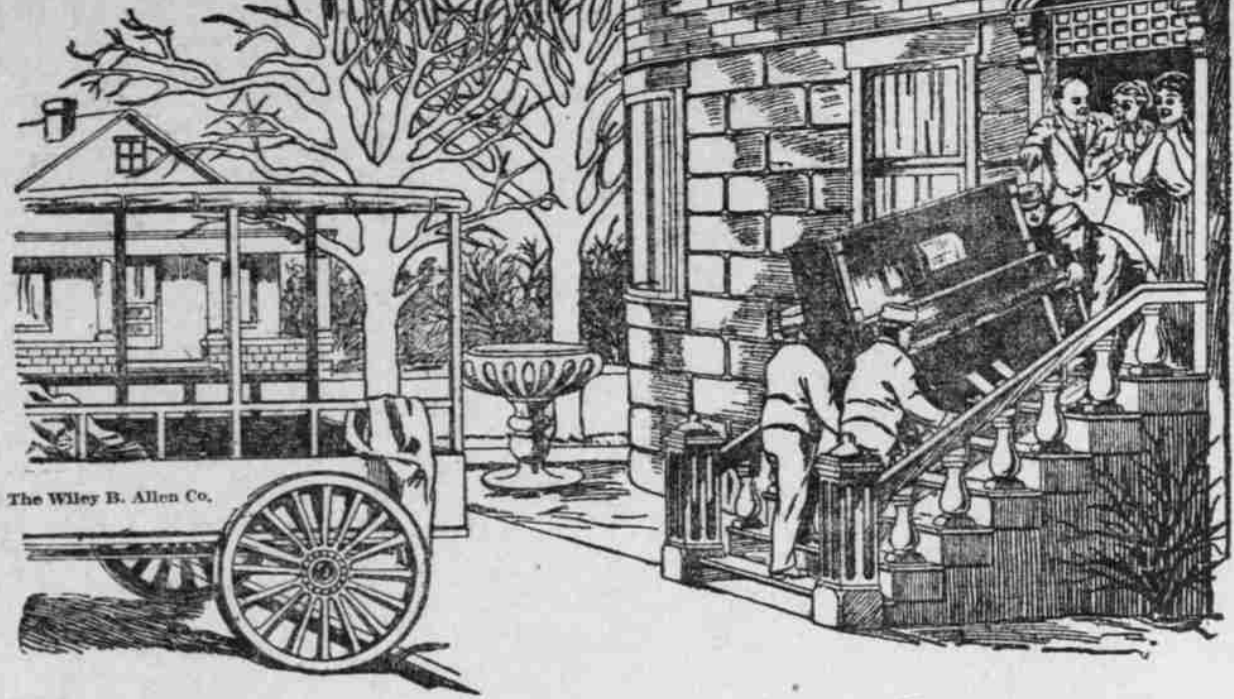
Even had weather did not prove a deterrent to the crowds of eager shoppers that filled department, jewelry and bluester stores of all descriptions yesterday. The Christmas rush has started in earnest.

Department store managers who marked the crowd commented on the danger of Christmas shopping being postponed till the final week. "If purchasers want articles engraved then, we shall be compelled to decline their work; if they desire minor alterations they will be compelled to wait until after the rush of Yuletide," said one.

LITTLE GIRL WANTS PONY

Eight-Year-Old Independence Miss Writes to Santa Claus.

If Santa Claus wants to please a little 8-year-old girl who lives near Independence, Or., he should note the following letter sent to him in care of The Oregonian:



The Wiley B. Allen Co.

About December 11th or 12th, we will move to our new store, corner Seventh and Morrison streets, where added floor space will place us foremost in Portland as an exclusive piano, player piano and Victor Talking Machine store.

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Every department is teeming with bargains in instruments of the world's finest makes. The savings have proved irresistible to all Christmas piano buyers who have investigated, for the blue pencil has lessened the price of every piano and player piano left unsold in our present store.

Every piano is fully guaranteed and your money will be cheerfully refunded if any instrument purchased is not exactly as represented.

Let members of the family immediately consult together and have a beautiful piano in your home tomorrow. Easy payments may be arranged if desired.

Present Location 304 Oak St. The Wiley B. Allen Co. FOUNDED 1873 Morrison and Seventh Sts. in a few days

the commercial, professional and political world. They will spend a lot of money. They will spend it gladly and go away smiling. If Portland will give them value received the city will obtain an inestimable benefit."

Mr. Applegate, who has traveled over the entire country since Portland was selected as the next meeting place, said that in the 25 years that he has been an Elk he never has witnessed the same enthusiasm everywhere as now manifest among lodgesmen everywhere over the Portland meeting.

SERMON IS MADE BOOST

"In Beginning God Created Montana," Is Governor Norris' Text.

How Governor Norris, of Montana, turned an embarrassing situation into an advantage for the Northwest is an interesting sidelight of the present trip of the Governors' special through the East that George H. Smitton, assistant freight agent for the Great Northern Railroad in Portland, likes to tell about.

H. A. Noble, general passenger agent for the Northern, got it by telegraph from someone on board the train, and thought it so good that he telegraphed it to Smitton.

There was not a Bible within his reach, but he collected himself with real Western nerve, and taking another step nearer his audience, he leaped boldly into his sermon with the text "In the beginning God created Montana."

There was a titter of laughter, but all appreciated the humor of the situation and the sermon they heard on Montana was none the less interesting.

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We Ask "Why Cough?" Q. What is good for my cough? A. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Q. How long has it been used? A. Seventy years. Q. Do doctors endorse it? A. If not, we would not make it. Q. If you publish the formula? A. Yes. On every label. Q. Any alcohol in it? A. Not a single drop. Q. How may I learn more of this? A. Ask your doctor. He knows. J. C. AYER COMPANY, Lowell, Mass.

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