

RETAILERS STAMP FESTIVAL AS AD

W. F. Lipman Declares Property Owners Should Help in Raising Funds.

STREET-BLOCKING SCORED

Circuit Judge Morrow Tells Merchants People Demand Relief. Postmaster Merrick and E. D. Timms Also Speak.

Blockading of the streets in Portland's business district by hawkers, street-vendors, standing automobiles, delivery wagons, contractors and merchants who leave their iron cellar doors open and pile their goods on the sidewalk was denounced by Robert G. Morrow, Circuit Judge, at last night's banquet of the Portland Retail Merchants' Association, at the Commercial Club. The merchants who fail to wash their store windows until after 8 o'clock in the morning, and then use a long-handled brush to the annoyance of every passerby, also came in for criticism.

William F. Woodward, who presided, first introduced W. F. Lipman, who said there is no reason why the retail merchants of Portland should be the only financial supporters of the Rose Festival. He said the advertising value of the Rose Festival cannot be over-estimated, narrating an incident in connection with the exhibition of moving pictures of the festival at Coney Island.

"I was in the theater," he said. "When the pictures were shown, a young man in a nearby seat said to the girl beside him, 'Tipe it, kid! Look at the carriages.' I thought they had sleighs out there in the Klondike. That's about the estimate Eastern people, many of them, have of Oregon."

Postmaster Merrick told of the good legislation brought about by the association, and explained the plans for Greater Portland drawn by E. H. Bennett of Chicago. Street-cleaning sidewalks were thrown into the picture. The widening of Burnside street, extension of Sandy and Foster roads, building of the new Union depot under the Broadway bridge, building of public docks and the auditorium are the features of the plan demanding immediate attention, he said. He spoke of the 7000 acres of parks planned, of the elevated roadway along the river banks, enabling one to go from one bridge to another without passing through the congested business district, and of the enlargement of the civic center by purchase of more land near the present location of the City Hall and Courthouse. An effort will be made to have the city publish these plans at municipal expense, he said, the cost being about \$4000.

Chairman Woodward said 110 firms are now members of the association. As to labor unions, he remarked that they "should have a place in our body politic if they conduct themselves properly."

Judge Morrow said that sooner or later, unless the individuals responsible for street congestion remedy it, the subject will be taken into court and the streets cleared.

Company Settles Case Out of Court. ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special)—An order was filed in the Circuit Court today dismissing the suit of Delmer D. White, administrator of the estate of Charles E. Avery, deceased, against the Sorenson Logging Company, the action being brought to re-

cover damages in the sum of \$7500 for the death of the decedent, who was killed by a locomotive while working on the defendant company's logging railroad and the case was settled outside the court.

WHEAT BLOCKADE GROWS

Farmers Fight in Streets for Chance to Market Grain.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 14.—Reports received tonight say the wheat blockade in Saskatchewan is without a parallel, farmers already have suffered enormous losses, and severe suffering is feared.

At Morse today farmers fought in the streets for the privilege of marketing their grain, and mounted police were called to maintain order. Fifty thousand bushels of grain are piled in the streets and the implement houses at Morse, and more than 100 loads are standing in wagons with no place to unload it. Farmers have been trying for a week to dispose of their wheat.

At Mort Loch, Outlook, Pense and Reulau the elevators are filled to the roof and farmers have been waiting there for days to unload. The elevator commissioner has suspended the grain act and imperative orders for cars have brought no results. The railways say they are unable to cope with the situation.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The jury trying Lillian Graham and Ethel Conrad for their alleged attempt to murder W. E. D. Stokes heard from counsel today two final pleas for the show girls' acquittal that bristled with unsparing denunciation of the brilliant sportsman who now lies critically ill as a result of an operation.

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WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 14.—Fritz Holmagne, a wealthy saloonkeeper here, who alleged that he was awarded in Bridgeport, Conn., of \$15,000 through a fake prizefight by W. J. Kennan, of Chicago, and others, today won his suit for \$15,150, plus interest.

TRAFFIC LAW URGED

Prevention of Congestion on Streets Is Sought.

RECOMMENDATION IS MADE

Special Committee Hears Opinion of City Attorney Who Favors Adoption of Regulations as in Eastern Cities.

That experienced and well-drilled traffic policemen and a set of traffic signals such as are maintained in New York and Chicago are more important than ordinances for the regulation of street traffic is the opinion of the special committee appointed by the City Council to investigate the congestion of traffic in downtown streets.

The committee at a meeting yesterday received recommendations from City Attorney Grant that the New York system be adopted and that traffic officers be drilled at once.

"The city ordinances are broad at present," declared Mr. Grant, "but they do not prevent congestion. What is needed is a good policeman at an intersection to regulate the moving of the streetscars, pedestrians, automobiles and wagons. One man on a corner can handle the traffic. I would suggest that the whistle system be used and that all teamsters and drivers of automobiles and cars be required to learn the meaning of these signals. One blast of the whistle held by the traffic policeman stops traffic going east and west and allows the north and south traffic to move. Two blasts stops the north and south and starts the movement east and west."

"There should be a regulation also as to the part of the street to be taken by various kinds of machines. The slow-moving vehicle should go to the curb and those moving more rapidly should take the center of the street."

The committee members were of the same opinion and it is probable the proper police training will be asked. An amendment to the present ordinance making it unlawful for an automobile to pass to the right-hand side of a car while passengers are getting on or off was objected to by E. H. Wempe, L. Therkelsen and W. J. Clemens, representing the Portland Automobile Club. The amendment provided for the enforcement of the ordinance in all parts of the city instead of as at present, only in the business districts.

The committee will hold a meeting next week to consider the advisability of licensing automobile drivers and requiring them to pass an examination before being eligible for a license.

IDA ST. LEON SAYS SHE CANNOT HELP STAGE ATTITUDE. Comely Young Actress Declares She Does Not Aspire to Stellar Roles. Family Is Happy.

actress, and I'm not aiming at stardom. I prefer the lower lights—say, a lamp-post—but I want to hit a big lamp-post light."

She had been selling Red Cross Christmas stamps all afternoon, and was full of the event as a topic of conversation. While she chatted she was slipping into a nightgown to wear in the scene where she is ill in the minister's home.

"My, they are carrying me in now," she exclaimed. "I'll have to hurry. You see my sister always injured into the parsonage. She's several pounds lighter than I am, and besides, it allows me to get ready for the second scene where I'm ill in bed."

"Mamma St. Leon, of pleasant face and many smiles, sat on the edge of a trunk and beamed on her pretty daughter."

"I'd never saw the manuscript of this play," she said. "We were all playing with Forepaugh's circus, over three years ago. My mother was all then, and our family consisted of the three daughters, one son, Mr. Leon and myself."

"Frederic Thompson came over to the circus saw our act and engaged us for the Polly play, in which his then-wife, Mabel Tallafiero, was to star. Ida sat in the wings every night and watched the performance. Bit by bit she learned it all."

"Expression came easy to her, and one night when Miss Tallafiero suddenly was taken ill, Ida jumped into the role at once and made such a success that Miss Tallafiero telegraphed for her husband to come and see how well our little girl handled the part."

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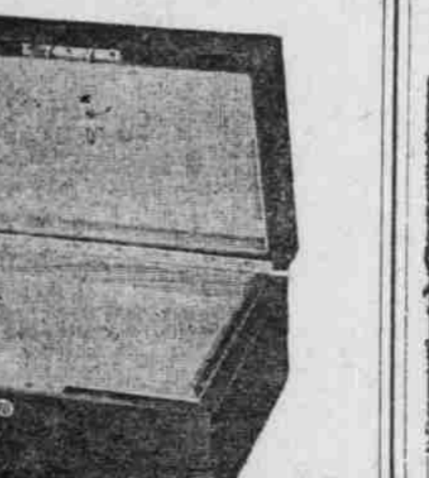
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