

30 WOMEN TAKEN AFTERNOON RAID

Police Round Up Characters in North End Houses and 3 Men Arrested.

AIM IS TO SET EXAMPLE

Marcelle Bortell, First Prisoner at Bar Under All-Woman Jury, Is Among Those Taken; Chief's Orders Are Unexpected.

In less than an hour yesterday afternoon 16 policemen rounded up 30 immoral women in the district between Burnside and Everett streets and Sixth Street, and placed them in the City Jail under charges of vagrancy.

"Getting too thick," was the explanation offered by Chief Siover for the sudden raid which is the first decisive action of the police along this line since Governor West took charge of vice conditions in the city last August.

"The fact is, I had no idea that there were so many women of this class in this neighborhood and I am surprised at the number caught by my men. I simply knew that they were gathering in and getting holdier, and in conference with Captains Moore and Riley we agreed that the time was ripe to make an example. This does not indicate any change of policy."

Hall Fixers Are Seized

Combined with the day and the first night relief assembled at the station about 3 o'clock, and at the same instant dispersed to houses in all parts of the district named. It was but a few minutes till the captives began pouring in, conveyed by a horde of ball-fixers and till dark fell the station was a clamoring babel with a medley of tongues calling over the telephones and among the captives and their friends.

The officers who managed the raid were Sergeants Harms and Rupert, Patrolmen Johnson, Cameron, Sherwood, Dillon, Griffith, Martin, Jones, Miller, Wellbrook, Cason, Burke, Long, Wise and Anderson.

The list of places they invaded included 225 Everett street, 704, 434, 42, 44, 624, 624, and 124 North Fourth street, including the rows of cribs attached to the Tony Arnold saloon, 363, 307, 310 Couch street, 52 and 43 North Third street, Davis street and houses at Fourth and Davis, Fourth and Everett and Sixth and Couch streets.

Marcelle Bortell Taken

Among the captives was Marcelle Bortell, who gained momentary fame some weeks ago by being the defendant in the first case to be tried by a jury of women in the State of Oregon. She escaped when the woman jurors divided five to five, and could not reach an agreement and the case never was brought to trial. She was found at 225 Everett street by Patrolmen Cameron and Johnson, but asserted that she was merely visiting at the house at 219 Couch street, occupied by Sadie Moore, Patrolmen Long and Wise saw a dark shape disappearing the back way and Long pursued, dragging Fried from the house. Fried, who was implicated with members of the Straesberg-Kaplan gang in prosecutions last year.

On his arrest he set up the cry that he was being persecuted by Sam Kabiner. He was held under bail of \$100.

ROTARIANS NOT TO MOVE

Members Decide to Continue Meetings at Commercial Club.

Representatives of the Rotary Club, after inspecting other quarters, following the regular luncheon convened to the Board of Governors of the Portland Commercial Club yesterday that the Rotary men probably will continue to hold their meetings at the Commercial Club instead of changing, as had been considered.

In provision for the accommodating of civic organizations the Commercial Club is considering remodeling the seventh floor so that all of the smaller committee rooms and private dining rooms may be thrown into one capable of accommodating about 150 persons.

A definite effort probably will be made not only on the part of the Commercial Club to furnish accommodations, but upon the part of all the more important civic clubs to arrange within the coming year for meeting regularly at the Commercial Club.

FIRE BAND MAY GO EAST

Portland Players Anxious to Attend Convention of Chiefs in New York.

When the International convention of fire chiefs meets in New York City next September, Portland may be represented in a way previously no other city in the world. The Portland Firemen's Band, comprising 34 pieces and said to be the only organization of its kind, is planning to attend.

The city Executive Board will be asked to arrange the vacations of the members of the band so that they will all cover the convention period. Although the individual members of the band are willing to pay their own expenses, it is possible that the Commercial Club and the business interests of the town will come to the front and help the boys make the trip.

The band has been in existence two years, but has appeared in public only once, during the Rose Festival last year. Battalion Chief Stevens is manager, and F. A. Sieberling director.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Dr. H. A. Dedman, of Canby, is at the Perkins. A. I. Eoff, a Salem merchant, is at the Perkins. H. C. Davis, a Tacoma timberman, is at the Perkins. George S. Jones, a Minneapolis miller, is at the Oregon. Judge George Dysart, of Centralia, is at the Imperial. C. W. Davidson, a Haines merchant, is at the Perkins. George H. McClay, of Seattle, is registered at the Bowers. J. L. Turner, superintendent of the Columbia River Packers' Association,

is registered at the Multnomah from Astoria.

G. S. Hewins, an engineer of Bull Run, is at the Bowers. E. W. Knox, a fossil stockman, is registered at the Perkins. W. H. Eccles, a Baker lumberman, is registered at the Oregon. D. S. Kinney, an Antelope stockman, is registered at the Perkins. Dean Baldwin, an insurance adjuster of Portland, is at the Oregon. J. J. Pfister, a manufacturer of Berkeley, Cal., is at the Portland. Owen McCusker, Jr., an auto dealer of San Francisco, is at the Oregon. O. C. Finlason, a Honolulu lumberman, is registered at the Portland. C. E. Troutman, an Aberdeen merchant, is registered at the Imperial. C. K. Spaulding, a timberman of Salem, is registered at the Imperial. Edward Larkin, a logger of Blind Slough, is registered at the Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Miller, of Albany, are registered at the Multnomah. H. E. Thixton, a Seattle insurance adjuster, is registered at the Portland. L. B. Senosky has returned from a furlough of two months to Southern California. C. A. Garrison, a piano manufacturer of Philadelphia, is registered at the Multnomah. T. E. Teare and J. C. Teare, steel producers of Cleveland, O., are registered at the Oregon. George W. Gaines, a manufacturer of cotton seed oil at Houston, Tex., is registered at the Multnomah. George D. Hood, Western manager of the Western Union with headquarters at Seattle, is at the Multnomah. Owen Cooley and W. C. Schaefer, furniture manufacturers of Grand Rapids, Mich., are registered at the Imperial. Stanley Hero, representing the Hebrew Immigration Aid Society of New York, is registered at the Oregon. C. E. Walker, vice-president of the Pope Manufacturing Company of Hartford, Conn., and W. M. Phelps, Pacific Coast manager of the company, are registered at the Portland.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The following from Portland, Or., are registered at Chicago hotels: Blackstone, Hensel, Mr. and Mrs. M. Fletschner.

EVIDENCE NOT SUFFICIENT

Suspected Yeggmen Allowed to Plead Guilty to Vagrancy.

Failing to connect four alleged yeggmen who have been in the City Jail a week with the blowing of a safe in the Alisky Cafe several weeks ago, the detectives in the case consented yesterday to the granting of a "batter" to all the prisoners after they had pleaded guilty to charges of vagrancy and had been sentenced for six months.

Evidence pointed to one or more of the gang as the criminal who blew open the safe, but it was insufficient. One of them had in his possession a book bought at the cigar stand in front of the saloon, and meager evidence connected them with the heavy claw bar which was used to pry off the combination.

COUNCIL IS ASKED TO ACT

Cross-Town Carline Request Made by East Side Association.

Demand that the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company be required to construct cross-town lines on the East Side was made yesterday to Allen R. Joy, chairman of the Council committee, by L. M. Lepper, representing the Greater East Side Clubs.

The same complaint filed with the State Railway Commission was included in the demand placed in the hands of Councilman Joy. Mr. Lepper called attention to section 61 of the public utility act passed by the people November 5, 1912.

THOMPSON HITS SENTIMENT

Better to Have New Warrior Named After State, Says Solon.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Hagood's memorial to bring the historic battleship Oregon to Portland harbor and use her as a training school for the Oregon Naval Militia was indefinitely postponed in the Senate today.

Thompson declared it to be an impractical proposition to place the Oregon as a naval militia training school and preclude, by so doing, the possibility of this state having its name placed on a new battleship. He suggested that while the memorial is pending in the House, he believe that as a business proposition for the State of Oregon it would be better to allow the old Oregon to be dismantled.

RECEIVER ASKED IN SUIT

North Coast Development Company Is Under Fire of Clients.

The appointment of a receiver to take charge of and distribute the assets of the North Coast Development Company, a concern which is alleged to have opened up a "maturity loan" business, is asked in a suit instituted in Circuit Court by The Dallas Dressed Meat Company, purchaser of eight "loan" contracts. The plaintiff company alleges that it is out \$620 on the deal. It has taken an assignment of the claims of various other contract holders and is suing on them in the same complaint.

The defendants include A. J. Stowell, Ernest S. Platts, Jesse W. Platts and O. B. McClelland, directors of the North Coast Development Company, according to the complaint, and Ashley & Rumelin, bankers, who are stated to have acted as trustee for the company. A few months ago the grand jury was appealed to in an effort to secure the indictment of the officers and directors of the company, but although there is a great deal of suspicion as to the operations of the company, little actual evidence could be produced and no true bills resulted.

"If we can get a receiver appointed and get at the books I believe we will then have something more tangible to present to the grand jury," said Frank Schlegel, of attorneys for The Dallas Dressed Meat Company. "As far as I can ascertain about 68 contracts were issued, and anywhere from \$50 to \$100 paid on each. The officials of the loan company tell me that their assets consist of about \$300 in money and a mortgage for \$600. Their system of doing business was to charge \$6 as a fee for writing a contract and getting monthly payments from contract holders, the idea being to send these contract holders \$1000 each in rotation as the money came in. In case a man defaulted on his payment all he paid in was forfeited, no matter how much it amounted to."

GRAND TRUNK TO COMPETE

Report Canadian Line May Gain Entrance to Chicago Is Current.

A district freight office for the Grand Trunk system probably will be opened in Portland within the next few months. Officials for the line now are negotiating for suitable rooms. Since the opening of a local passenger office in charge of Dorsey B. Smith, the Grand Trunk has been convinced of the commercial importance of Portland. With the early completion of the Grand Trunk transcontinental line to Prince Rupert, B. C., the necessity for a freight office is becoming apparent. It is reported that there is a possibility of the Grand Trunk obtaining control of the Chicago Great Western, which would give it an entrance into Chicago from the West and greatly strengthen its position in competing for trade in the local field.

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PORTLAND TO ASK FOR "OLD OREGON"

Civic Bodies Would Exchange Cruiser Boston for Historic Man-o-War.

SENTIMENT GROWING FAST

Move Is Put Under Way to Bring Veteran Sea Fighter to Local Harbor as Training Ship After Panama Canal Opening.

The movement to intervene and save if possible, the battleship Oregon from being "scrapped" by order of the Navy Department is growing steadily and commercial and civic bodies of Portland will probably all have joined in it before the close of the present week.

President Piper, of the Commercial Club, was authorized yesterday by the board of governors at its regular meeting to draft and present to the proper authorities a resolution for the Commercial Club expressing strong disapproval of the decision to dismantle the Oregon. The resolution is to urge that the fate of the vessel be not decided until after the opening of the Panama Canal at which time the Oregon is expected to lead the procession through the canal. After that it is desired that the Oregon be stationed in the Portland harbor if practicable, but if she is dismantled, that all haste be made and every influence used to secure the naming of another battleship after the State of Oregon.

Similarly the Chamber of Commerce yesterday dispatched telegrams to members of the Oregon Legislature urging that they make every effort to save the old ship and have it given to Oregon as a training ship after the opening of the Panama Canal. The Senators were also asked to ascertain how much more it will cost to maintain the Oregon here, than the cruiser Boston and if there is any objection to making the change if Oregon insists upon taking the responsibility.

In the meantime Mr. Glitner, secretary of the Chamber, is securing all possible data to show the cost of maintaining the Oregon here and concerning other conditions that enter into the matter.

J. A. Currey, Phil Bates and Don Zan were appointed yesterday on a committee from the Rotary Club to cooperate with the other commercial and civic organizations in the effort to save the Oregon. The matter will be brought up before the Ad Club at its meeting today and probably will be considered also this week at the meetings of the Progressive Business Men's Association, the Realty Board and similar organizations.

NOTED VIOLINIST WILL PLAY AT HELIG THEATRE TONIGHT.

MISCHA ELMAN.

Mischa Elman, the new genius of the violin, who, according to European critics, has overthrown all precedents and established a new standard of violin art, will be heard at the Helig tonight under direction of Lois Steers-Wynn Coman.

The ravishing beauty of Elman's tone, his youth, the fire and romance which mingle with such amazing technique and inspired understanding of the greatest masterpieces, combine to form one of the unexplained mysteries of genius, for Elman is but 22 years old; yet he has become a law-maker to the critics, who, recognizing the divine fire, regard him with reverence and awe.

Among the gifts bestowed upon him by royalty, is the Russian coat-of-arms set in diamonds, with which the Empress of Russia has recently honored him, for Russia is his native land.

The refreshing buoyancy, superb sincerity, daring spirit and joyousness of youth which characterize Mischa Elman, mingle with the imperial authority of genius, subtle delicacy of intuition and power of enchantment which takes strange hold of the human soul. Thus Mischa Elman reaches the heart of the multitude as no other violinist of the century, or, indeed, of the past has been able to reach it. He is idolized by the "gallery." As the Boston Evening Transcript says: "He carries the multitude to unknown heights on the wings of his wonderful art, and it may be said of him that he has anointed with his perfect music the eyes of the poor."

Only genius of the rarest sort can appeal thus to men and women of all classes.

Following is Mischa Elman's programme for tonight:

Table listing musical pieces and composers: Sonata, F major; Allegro, Adagio molto espressivo, Scherzo (allegro molto) Rondo (allegro ma non troppo); Concerto, F Sharp Minor; Rondo Capriccioso; Nocturne, Op. 27, No. 4; Love Song; Hungarian Dance, No. 7; Zigeunerweisen; Beethoven; Ernst; Saint-Saens; Chopin; Hummel; Brahms; Liszt; Sarasate.

Advertisement for Cottolene featuring a large graphic of a woman and a child, and text: 'Less Cottolene is required than Butter or Lard. That's simply because Cottolene is richer than either lard or butter. It makes better food, too—food free from grease and indigestion—food that is light and crisp and flaky—food that digests easily and does you good. Cottolene contains no hog fat. It is a vegetable product—made from choicest cotton oil. Nature made it, and Nature knows what is good for human stomachs. Don't cry any more about the high cost of living until you have practised the economy which the use of Cottolene will enable. Discard lard altogether, discard butter except for your table, and use Cottolene for all shortening and frying. The results, as well as the economy, will make you thankful for having read this advertisement.'

SCHOOL POST IS SOUGHT. NEW CANDIDATES TO SUCCEED FRANK RIGLER APPEAR. Suggestions Made That Support of D. A. Grout by Principals Is to Create Another Vacancy.

Candidates to succeed Frank Rigler as Superintendent of Public Schools in Portland are appearing and two names are already mentioned in addition to that of D. A. Grout, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, who has been seriously considered by the School Board ever since it was decided to accept the resignation of Superintendent Rigler, to take effect at the end of the present school year.

D. A. Grout, present assistant school superintendent in Portland, is openly in the field for the appointment and it is rumored that he is backed by many of the principals of the city schools. Although there has been no formal announcement of the principals' organization backing Mr. Grout, members of the School Board have been

led to believe that this condition exists by the fact that many principals have called on individual members of the Board in support of Mr. Grout's candidacy. Grounds for this interest are attributed by some members of the Board to the fact that such an appointment would leave vacant the post of assistant superintendent, offering an opportunity for promotion from the ranks of the principals.

The grade teachers of the city, on the contrary, are said to be in favor of Mr. Alderman. The School Board has not taken any action. "I have not discussed the various candidates with any of the members of the Board," said I. N. Fletschner yesterday, "and there will probably be no important developments in the matter until the next Board meeting. Just when this will be held is a matter of uncertainty at present. Mr. Munly is ill and some of the other members of the Board are out of the city."

The suggestion of appointing a woman to the position of assistant school superintendent has not been discussed extensively by members of the Board. The other candidate for the office of superintendent besides Mr. Alderman and Mr. Grout is H. H. Herdman, principal of Washington High School. Principals of Curtis, of Sunnyside, Wiley, of Montavilla, and Stanley, of Highland, are said to have been active in organizing the support for Mr. Grout and are spoken of as candidates for the position of assistant to succeed him

JURORS VISIT RESERVOIRS. Tedious Trial Expected in Suit of Contractors for \$408,000.

Two days and a half were occupied in Judge Morrow's court in making opening statements to the jury in the \$408,000 Mount Tabor reservoirs suit of Robert Wakefield & Co. against the City of Portland. The jurors went yesterday to see the reservoirs and the taking of testimony will commence this morning.

Probably more than four weeks will be needed to hear the evidence. Wakefield & Co. contend that the city abrogated the contract and hold that they are entitled to recover what was actually expended for labor and materials, together with a reasonable profit. The contention of the city is that there was no interference and that failure of the contractors to complete the work within the time specified and make a profit was due to inexperience in handling that class of work. The city has a counter bill of \$75,000, alleged to be due as penalty for failure to finish the reservoirs within contract time.

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