

LION IN HIS CAGE FROM QUIET STRAITS

White Quarters Are Being Cleaned, Nero Walks to Freedom in Park.

RETURN VOID OF DIGNITY

Animal Squeezes Into Small Space Between Zoo Buildings and Attendants Have Trouble Extricating Him From Position.

Nero, the tawny-maned king of the jungle; Nero, the son of a long line of "man-eaters" and circus performers; Nero, the invincible and unmanicured, in short, Nero, the well-known and popular lion at Washington Park, yesterday morning took advantage of an inattention on the part of Charles Herman, his keeper, to escape out of his cage and for the space of an hour and a half snuffed the air of freedom for the first time in 14 years.



NERO BEHIND THE BARS.

J. MOSSI IS JAILED

Troutdale Farmer Accused of Killing Tramp.

COMPANION GIVES ALARM

John O'Brien Tells of Trio Going to Sleep in Shack and Shot Being Fired From Window at Close Range During Night.

Joseph Mossi, a prosperous farmer, owning 1000 acres of bottom land worth about \$30,000, in the vicinity of Troutdale, was arrested early yesterday morning as a suspect in the murder of an unidentified tramp who was shot and killed shortly before midnight Saturday.

Victor Accordi, a farmhand employed by Mossi, and John O'Brien, a tramp, are held at the county jail as witnesses. The slain man has not been identified. His body is at the morgue of Dunham & McKintee.

O'Brien told Sheriff Word that three members of a party of tramps started from Portland Friday, walking along the line of the O.-W.-R. & N. track to the vicinity of Troutdale, and half a mile from the town they came to an abandoned shack, where they decided to camp.

There is a fireplace in the hut and while the others sat before the fire which they had built O'Brien says he went to sleep in an alcove which had been used for the purposes of a pantry and in which there is a small window.

Shot Fired at Close Range. Beside the fireplace, which is in the center of one side of the room, is a small window. At this window, O'Brien asserts, the murderer appeared, raised his gun and fired, the bullet landing within an area of two feet about the vicinity of the heart of the unidentified man. Some are also supposed to have struck the other occupants of the shack.

The injured man started to run away. He broke through the pantry and jumped out of the small window, breaking the glass clear to the edge. The other man followed, both running over O'Brien, who says he started up when he heard the shot. As soon as they had passed, O'Brien jumped through the window and followed.

O'Brien Gives Alarm. Barefooted and clothed only in his underwear, O'Brien ran to Troutdale and aroused the authorities. Sheriff Word and Deputies Curtis, Aldrich, Beckman, Rogers and Grafton hurried to the locality.

Mossi, whose house is across the railway track from the shack where the shooting occurred, denies all connection with the crime. In the house, newly cleaned, was found an automatic shotgun of the caliber of the shell with which the killing was done. The empty shell was found between the shack and the house. Shells of the same caliber were found in the house.

Supporting Mossi in his denial, Accordi said that they ate supper about 8:30 o'clock and went to bed about 9 o'clock. Their stories vary slightly, but both contents that they were asleep in bed when the shooting occurred. Mossi is said to have uttered threats against tramps who steal his vegetables, fruit and kitchen utensils.

CHANGE IN PLANS ASKED. East Side Improvement Clubs Take Up Auditorium Issue. Fifteen East Side Improvement clubs have taken up the matter of erecting the public auditorium on the combination plan. They have decided to take the matter before the City Commissioners and urge that some action be taken. The statement adopted by the improvement clubs contains the following: "We believe that the cost of site and building should not exceed \$600,000, as we have twice voted. We believe that the auditorium should seat from 12,000 to 15,000 people, rather than 7000, per the Friedlander plans. We believe that the auditorium should have an inclined floor, to give better view of the stage, but removable for exhibition when desired, instead of a flat floor, per Friedlander's plan. We believe that we should have towers for sight-seeing, and museums, as the act provides, which the Greater East Side plan provides and which the so-called Friedlander plans do not provide. We think the art gallery feature splendid at outer edge at top in clear of arches, similar to the promenade near roof of Denver Auditorium, being very desirable at small cost. We ask that you purchase two full blocks in the central East Side, convenient to the street, with good transportation, within a district bounded by Broadway street on the north, East Twelfth street on the east, Hawthorne avenue on the south and the east bank of the Willamette River on the west; at once, and proceed to erect an Auditorium that will seat from 12,000 to 15,000 people, as suggested and that the building and site shall cost not to exceed \$600,000, as we voted.

BAND CONCERT LOSS

Small Crowd at Municipal Entertainment Happy.

PROGRAMME IS FINE ONE

Rain and Needless Fear of Hearing Only Classical Music Keep Some Away—Series Is to Be Continued.

SCHOOL SYSTEM PRAISED

WASHINGTON BOARD HEAD LAUDS ALDERMAN'S WORK. Mrs. Preston Says Her State Watches Progress Made in Portland in Home-Credit Plan.

Mrs. Josephine Corlies Preston, State Superintendent of Schools of Washington, who has been staying at the Hotel Portland a few days, is enthusiastic in her praise of the school system of Portland under the superintendency of L. R. Alderman. Mrs. Preston says that the State of Washington is watching with interest the progress made here in the home-credit system.

At the recent State Fair held at Spokane, Mrs. Preston had charge of the "boys' and girls' agricultural and industrial contests, in which all the school children of Washington competed, and in which Elmo Kaler won the pony presented by the Union Stockyards. The Washington educator praises O. M. Plummer and the many innovations that he has introduced. Mrs. Preston says that she strongly favors the schoolhouses being used as social centers, and that, especially in isolated districts, these centers are a benefit.

The parent-teacher circles also are advocated by Mrs. Preston. She is enthusiastic over the work being done in rural schools. From Portland Mrs. Preston will go to White Salmon, Wash., to attend a teachers' institute, and Friday she will go to Clarke County to join Mrs. Elizabeth Sterling, superintendent of that county's schools, who is doing good work in social center organization. Mrs. Preston is the first woman ever elected to the state superintendency in Washington.

PORTLAND BABY IS AMONG PRIZE WINNERS



Dorothy Anna Downey, who was one of the prize babies at the State Fair this season, is a bright little one-year-old lassie, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Z. R. Downey, of 1737 Stanton street, Portland. Her award was a handsome silver cup. She is a first-prize, one-year-old city girl.

PUPILS EARN CASH A GO VOCATIONS

Many Novel Methods of Making Money Described in The Oregonian's Contest.

PRIZE ESSAYS ANNOUNCED

Two High School Students Take Contract to Build Road During Vacation—Girls Originate Various Profitable Plans.

PRIZE-WINNERS IN HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY CONTEST. Jefferson—Boys, first, \$5, Elmer Haasebrink; second, \$3, Dean Hanson; third, \$2, Kenneth Hastings. Girls—First, \$5, Frances Swartz; second, \$3, Irene Douglas; third, \$2, Ica Schultz. Washington—Boys, first, \$5, Ray Lapham; second, \$3, Rufus M. Eckerson; third, \$2, Melville F. Pugh. Girls—First, \$5, Elva Smith; second, \$3, Isabelle Secord; third, \$2, Margaret Anderson. Lincoln—Boys, first, \$5, Victor T. Hofflich; second, \$3, Mark G. Galt; third, \$2, Raymond A. Jeffcott. Girls—First, \$5, Beatie Leslie; second, \$3, Margaret V. Gray; third, \$2, Avera Harry.

More than 60 different vocations were followed by the students of the three Portland High Schools this past Summer vacation in earning money to help pay their expenses during the present school year. This is evidenced by the essays entered in The Oregonian contest for the students of Washington, Lincoln and Jefferson High Schools, on the subject, "How I Earned Money During Vacation."

The girls worked in telephone exchanges, laundries and factories, as assistants to doctors and dentists; helped their mothers with the housework and tended the family gardens. Many of them picked berries and hops, some took care of children for several different families, several were employed by the large department stores, a few taught music and others followed vocations altogether original. The girls took full charge of paper route, at first carrying the papers herself, finally hiring boys to do the carrying while she did the collecting. Another girl made ready-made hats and sold all she could make. Still another, having some knowledge of the hair business, made switches from combings and took orders for them by personal solicitation. One girl made a study of scientific poultry raising in a large poultry yard.

One Teaches Foreigners.

A young woman in Oregon City decided to win a new paper subscription contest and succeeded in getting the chief prize, a \$450 piano. A girl who passed her vacation in a small town where there was little opportunity for a girl to earn money, organized a class of foreign workmen and taught them how to read, write and speak English. A farmer's daughter bought some young calves, sheep and pigs, which she disposed of at a profit after feeding them through the summer. Another girl baked pies and cakes which she disposed of at the public market.

Two Boys Construct Road.

Two enterprising young men took a contract to build a road two miles in length and, after overcoming several engineering difficulties, completed the contract with profit. Another group of six boys made a long trip to Northern California and trapped numerous fur-bearing animals. They succeeded in getting several coyotes, foxes and skins of wolf skins and the pelts of a California mountain lion. In addition to the commercial value of the pelts they received liberal bonuses from the state. Each boy received as his share for the vacation's work about \$140.

Applause Is Started.

When R. F. Driscoll played a cornet solo, "Columbia Polka" (Rollington) the applause came. Mr. Driscoll had to respond to an encore. When the waltz "The Love Serenade" was played the audience grasped the spirit of the music. When an encore was demanded the band played a Sousa two step; and when the trombone players came "out front," a la Sousa, the heart of the crowd was taken. The sextette from Donizetti's "Lucia" was played stringily by a sextette of brass led by W. E. McElroy and was encored loudly. "The Choccolate Soldier" and the Offenbach and the members all pleased and the finale, a selection of Scotch airs, was played with such ensemble beauty that everybody went away satisfied. W. E. McElroy was leader, and was admirable.

MEMORIAL PLANS READY

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise Will Deliver Address at Elks Ceremonial. Plans for the annual memorial services of the Portland Lodge of Elks have been completed. Rabbi Jonah B. Wise will deliver the memorial address. The services probably will be held in the Helix Theater. William Adams is chairman of the committee on arrangements. Other members are George L. Baker, J. H. Dietz, Thomas Doherty, H. C. Allen, and H. C. Allen.

COTTAGE PLAN IS FAVORED

Judge Gatens and Women Like System at Girls' Home. The cottage plan, as in operation at the Girls' Industrial Institute, is favored by Judge Gatens of the Circuit Court, and six women who visited the state institutions at Salem Friday, in expectation of making recommendations for new buildings to replace the Fraser Detention Home. Mrs. J. P. O'Brien, Mrs. W. B. Fehnelmer, Mrs. Lola Baldwin, Miss Valentine Pritchard, Mrs. Aristena Peits and Mrs. R. E. Bondurant accompanied Judge Gatens on the trip. The Feeble-Minded Institute was visited, but the homelike conditions found at the Industrial Institute made the more favorable impression, because of the fact that it will permit more satisfactory segregation of the dependent children from the delinquent ones.

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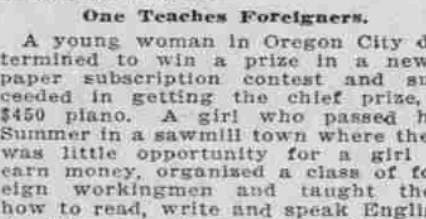
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Militants Disturb Services.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—Sufragists made no attempt to disturb the service at St. Paul's. At intervals they sang "God save Annie Kenney and Sylvia Pankhurst, who are being persecuted for conscience sake."

Coming of The Sunbeam

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