

WEE CHILD BEREFT OF SOLE PROVIDER

Deserted by Both Parents, Grandmother Fills Breach Until Death Intervenes.

NEEDS OF OTHERS TOLD

Generous Public Is Playing Its Part in Helping to Bring Cheer to Those Who Are Being Buffeted by Misfortune.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CHRISTMAS RELIEF FUND OF THE ASSOCIATED CHARITIES.

Previously reported.....	\$2062.75
The Carpenter children.....	5.00
Mrs. Martin Denny.....	5.00
Mrs. Gertrude Penoyer.....	15.00
Russell.....	10.00
Cash, A. Y.....	10.00
Oregon Transfer Company.....	7.50
Teamsters, by Charles.....	.50
Anderson.....	18.00
Cash, Mr. H.....	5.00
G. L. Rush, Pomeroy.....	5.00
Mrs. B.....	5.00
Ladies' Society First German Evangelical Reformed Congregation.....	10.00
G. P. Russell.....	2.00
Mrs. K. Brandt.....	5.00
Mrs. Sig. Lipman.....	5.00
A. L. McLeod.....	2.50
Marian Josephine Sichel.....	1.00
A. W. Angell, for No. 73.....	1.00
Mrs. Sol Rosenfeld.....	5.00
Carlissini & Musco.....	1.00
N. D. Burdett.....	5.00
W. H. C.....	5.00
Total.....	\$2168.01

Donations or cash for the Christmas Relief Fund should be sent to Secretary Manning, 111 Commercial block, to R. S. Howard, treasurer of the Associated Charities, at Ladd & Tilton Bank, or to The Oregonian.

Donations of supplies, fuel or clothing should be reported at the headquarters of the Associated Charities, Telephone Main 717, or A 1517.

Jessie Isabella, aged 4, is facing another of the crises with which her brief life has been checkered.

Her grandmother died yesterday and the love and care that had been bestowed on the child for the greater part of her few years was withdrawn.

Jessie Isabella's grandmother, who was 60, died sometime during Wednesday night at a home in Myrtle Park, in Southeast Portland, where she had gone to do housework and earn a living for herself and the little girl.

When a visitor for the Associated Charities called at the home yesterday morning, she found Jessie Isabella clinging to her grandmother's body.

Taken away, the child could not be comforted with candy, dolls, or with a promise of a new dress. She wanted her grandma.

The grandmother came to the Associated Charities a week ago from a town in Washington. She said she did not want help, but work. A place was soon found for her, for she seemed able and energetic.

Both Parents Desert.

The story she told to Secretary Manning was that the little girl's parents, first the mother and then the father, had abandoned the child, and that she was trying to make a living and give Jessie Isabella "a good bringing-up."

She said that first the mother "ran away with another man." So she, the grandmother, went to live with the father and the child, and keep them together. But soon the father, tiring of this arrangement, ran away, too.

The grandmother heard that he was in a town in California, so she got enough money together and thither they went. The father was "living with another woman," and wanted nothing so little as to renew his former family affiliations and responsibilities.

So the grandmother and Jessie Isabella started to walk from California back to Washington. They had not gone far before they were helped to the extent of a railroad ticket.

But, arriving in the Washington town, they found that they must still shift for themselves. So they came to Portland a week ago yesterday.

The grandmother died of acute pleurisy, according to information given Secretary Manning. She had complained of not feeling well, but her serious condition was not known when she retired Wednesday night.

Jessie Isabella as Case 74.

What to do with Jessie Isabella is only one of the problems that confront the charities. Her story is such that there seems little hope of any of her relatives doing anything to help her.

So Jessie Isabella has gone into the Charities' records as "Case 74," awaiting solution along with the other problems.

The employees of the Ladd & Tilton Bank are so pleased with the results brought by their donation announced yesterday, that they have taken the care of three more families, and have raised a total of more than \$100.

A contribution of \$735 yesterday came from teamsters employed by the Oregon Transfer.

Charles Anderson, who brought the money, said that at least he and the men who had contributed "had jobs and a warm fire," and that they wanted to help others less fortunate.

An old friend of the Christmas relief campaign appeared yesterday for the third consecutive year. He is a dairyman, and gave \$10, saying, "Don't publish my name or I'll quit coming."

The gardener whose case was told in The Oregonian yesterday found a job waiting for him today, and furniture is being collected for the man and wife who are about to lose their household effects for debt.

The following is one of the new opportunities to help:

Three children, aged 8 years, 5 years and 6 months, father out of work. Five-year-old child is tubercular. Rent is due. Groceries, clothing and special diet for child needed, besides job for the father.

Walla Walla May Employ Idle.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—To provide work for the unemployed, a delegation of business men yesterday asked the County Commissioners to have the old Courthouse torn down by day labor, under the direction of a superintendent. The Commissioners, while favoring the plan, stated it must be passed on by Prosecuting Attorney Stafford to determine its legality.

Sixty vessels of the United States Navy, of which six are battleships, are now burning oil instead of coal. It has been found that oil consumes less space, weighs less and gives a much larger steaming radius.

SCENE ATTENDING TOYLAND MATINEE YESTERDAY AT BAKER THEATER FOR THE BENEFIT OF CHARITY.



Upper (Left to Right)—Bundle Boy Who Helped Handle Flood of Bundles; George L. Baker, C. J. Works and Edward Duffy, Prominent Muts. Below—Two Girls on Way to the Boxoffice With Dolls.

MUTS' TOYS POUR IN

Much Money Also Taken at Toyland Matinee.

GENEROSITY IS PREVALENT

Patrons of Show Seem Desirous of Paying Well for Entertainment Provided by Players and Attendants for Sweet Charity.

BY LEON CASS BAER.

A sassy Canton flannel cat with shoe button eyes and proportions that betrayed his non-eugenic origin sat atop the biggest box of Muts' Christmas toys in front of the Baker Theater yesterday.

So the Canton flannel cat in friendly confab with a just-as-good-as-Parisian doll, a gorgeous Anna Hedliah creature in bisque, the Muts on whose hand-made lingerie alone must have cost twice the price of one admission ticket to the theater.

The Canton flannel cat opined that the Muts had outdone themselves. He had been brought by a little old gray lady, who said she "didn't get to see many shows and sure was glad she could go to the theater and help the Muts at the same time."

The good-as-French doll had been carried to the Baker in the arms of a young matron and laid tenderly amidst the other toys in exchange for one ticket of admission.

Such Christmas boxes and bundles and bags—no two of the same size or shape, some gayly looped with red and green ribbons, some in bright-colored holly and holly leaves, as for instance, dolls and animal toys, with no wrappings.

Theater Is Filled.

More than 500 bundles found their way into the packing cases. Some bundles held a dozen gifts, some only one. Downstairs the theater was filled and the balcony held the overflow.

Manager Baker, who donated his company's services and his theater, named the Muts with Frank Coffinberry to direct folk to the box office.

Once arrived at the ticket window the invariably obliging Lee Pearl and his assistant, Melville Brown, broke their own record as Muts Fix-It.

Over the counter went a bundle. "Is this for a boy or a girl?" asked Mr. Pearl, following his formula. On the answer depended its resting place. One big box held boys' toys, but it took two to hold those brought for little girls.

Guess this feminist movement isn't moving, eh? Some who liked boys quite as much as girls brought toys for both. Many folk plied a basketful of presents on the counter and in exchange took only one ticket. And all of them gave their contribution eagerly, asking questions of everyone who seemed to be in a position of authority.

Out in the big block-long entrance the huge boxes were filled rapidly by committees who brought the toys from the box office. Men and women who had already seen the comedy, "Ready Money," slipped money over the counter and "gave my ticket to someone else." Lots of the "someone else" brought seats, too, and the cash drawer looked like the title of the play.

There was plenty doing inside the theater. Up on the stage J. E. Werlein and Alice Lloyd did a sketch. Miss Lloyd's part of the dialogue was confined mostly to radiant glances, a dazling exhibition of her Sosodent smile, and quick as a flash, answers of "Yes, indeed," or "You're quite right," whenever Mr. Werlein paused for a moment.

He was raffling off a lovely doll, which the little English comedienne held in her arms, and which went to Mrs. R. D. Inman for \$10.

Candy Sellers Busy.

Up and down the aisles thronged duffy ruffled girl candy vendors, not

girl candy, but candy vendors. Others sold flowers, and whether or not you bought either candy or blossoms, you received bright smiles from the importuning maids.

The orchestra, which donated its services played gayly during the intermissions and back of the scenes the stage employees also gave freely and gladly of their services to help the Muts give a Christmas tree to Portland's poor. And the players, too, gave gladly of their services, as is constitutional with theatricals. Folk the world over when there's a benefit on.

When it was over and they were hauling the three big packing cases away, I looked anxiously for my friends of the early afternoon—the Canton flannel cat and the near-Parisian doll—but they had been snowed under. Heaped over them were a hundred bundles and right on the top a big golden Christmas star winked its gleeful eye.

Albert Thanks Oregon.

ALBERT THANKS OREGON

KING OF BELGIUM GRATEFUL FOR RELIEF WORK OF COMMITTEE.

Letter From Havre to Chairman Is Warm in Appreciation—Robert McCormack Is Remembered.

King Albert, of Belgium, who has been called the hero of the present European war, expressed his thanks to Oregon yesterday for the generous relief work now being carried forward here, and for the assistance of his distressed subjects.

General Yungbluth, chief of the military household of the King, and Adjutant-General of the Belgian army, wrote Samuel Hill, chairman of the Oregon Belgian relief committee, expressing the gratitude of King Albert. The letter was dispatched from Havre, France, the temporary Belgian capital, on November 27, and was received by Mr. Hill yesterday. It follows:

"My Dear Mr. Hill: The King has received your two generous remittances of October 20 and 27.

"His majesty charges me to express to you his warmest thanks for these gifts destined to the women and children whom the war has deprived of their support and resources. I would be grateful if you kindly would convey these sentiments of gratitude of his majesty to Robert McCormack, and to the persons who have so kindly cooperated in your charitable work.

"Their majesties charge me also to convey to you their best regards.

"Please accept, my dear sir, the assurance of my most loving and devoted sentiments.

"GENERAL YUNGBLUTH."

Both King Albert and General Yungbluth are personal friends of Mr. Hill. He enjoyed their hospitality while abroad, and they have visited Mr. Hill in this country. Both have taken much interest in Mr. Hill's road work.

Contributions of cash and provisions for the relief fund continue to pour in upon the relief committee. Cash contributions received yesterday follow:

Previously acknowledged.....	\$4550.48
Employee room 502 the Pacific.....	5.00
Graph & Telephone Co.....	5.00
E. C. Shevlin.....	150.00
E. W. Blinn.....	5.00
Blowers Hardware Co.....	5.00
Estate of H. W. Corbett.....	500.00
F. H. Carter.....	10.00
E. V. Carter.....	50.00
C. A. DePrester.....	50.00
Leslie Butler.....	5.00
Truman Butler.....	5.00
I. J. Williamson.....	10.00
Mrs. Charles Groshens.....	2.00
Mr. E. Labbe.....	2.00
Mrs. Martin Denny.....	10.00
George Tuttle.....	5.00
J. Vanderschueren.....	2.00
Frank Stegert.....	3.00
P. W. Walgrave.....	2.00
Mr. Latourrette.....	1.00
Ed Van Esden.....	5.00
Z. M. La Rue.....	5.00
D. N. Robinson.....	.50
Joseph V. Schamone.....	1.00
J. E. Hedges.....	1.00
George Waters.....	1.00
K. Dwyer.....	5.00
Bert Stevens.....	1.00
L. C. Vieve.....	1.00
Total.....	\$5028.47

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brains and muscle of these men instead of leaving them in jail where they are idle."

Judge McGinn's statement followed the declaration Wednesday of Municipal Judge Stevenson that the Circuit Judge had no legal right to release

prisoners sentenced to the County Jail from Municipal Court.

New Walla Walla Sheriff in Office. WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—Lee Barnes took up the

work as Sheriff yesterday, when the resignation of Mike Toner became effective. Barnes would have succeeded Toner in January, having been elected in November. Toner resigned to become Mayor, Monday.

See the European War Pictures for Local and Belgian Charities

Heilig Theater, Today at 12 o'Clock Noon to 6 P. M. and Last Time Saturday 12 Noon Until 11 P. M. Continuous Performance.

The Oregonian has arranged to show these wonderful pictures on the basis of turning over to the local Associated Charities its profits after giving the Chicago Tribune one-half of the gross receipts for their Belgian Red Cross fund. First and only authentic motion pictures of European war.

Today you have another opportunity to see the motion pictures of the ACTUAL WARFARE, taken on the Belgian battlefields by Edwin F. Weigle, staff photographer of the Chicago Tribune. Four reels of the war as events actually happened, showing The Burning of Antwerp, The Battle of Alost, The Destruction of Termonde, The Battle of Aerschot, The Flooding of Lierre and The Battle of Malines.

The Chicago Tribune secured the exclusive privilege from the Belgian government to take these motion pictures on condition that 50 per cent of the profits be given to the Belgian Red Cross. Consequently these are the ONLY true motion pictures of the Belgian battlefields. Manage to spare an hour and ten minutes to see these remarkable motion pictures—any time after 12 noon.

All seats 25c. No reserved seats. Get tickets at The Oregonian Business Office or at the Heilig Theater and avoid the rush at the box-office.