



LEASE UPON YEON STORE IS RE-SOLD

Rosenblatt Gets Former Meier-Frank Annex.

\$5000 IS PRICE OF CHANGE

Woolworth Company to Occupy Yeon Corner.

REALTY MARKET AWAKENS

Oregon News Company Buys Building Site—F. N. Rothchild Purchases Splendid Home—Big \$200,000 Plant May Come.

BY CHESTER A. MOORE. Two of the most important leases of the entire year, two significant realty sales and the announcement that an Eastern manufacturing concern may spend \$200,000 in building a plant at Portland, revived the local realty market with a quiet report.

For cancelling the lease which they recently took on the ground floor of the Yeon building, Samuel Rosenblatt & Company received \$5000 yesterday from John H. Yeon, who in turn leased the premises to the Woolworth Company for a term of 15 years at a monthly rental of \$2200.

Stores to Be Connected. The Woolworth Company, a wealthy organization, which operates a chain of 5, 10 and 15-cent stores all over the country, will retain its lease on the building on the south side of Washington street, between Fifth and Fourth streets, but the four-year remainder of the lease on its Fourth-street store will be transferred to Mr. Yeon.

Corner Will Be Busy One. With the Lipman, Wolfe & Co. Meier & Frank Company, the Woolworth Company and S. Rosenblatt & Company on its shores, the intersection of Fifth and Alder streets should be mighty busy during 1916, said Mr. Yeon yesterday.

Plans for the new building have already been prepared by the Portland architectural firm of Houghtaling & Deagan and are now on their way to the New York office of the parent company for final adoption.

Handsome Residence Bought. Fred H. Rothchild, of Bostonville, Massachusetts, wholesale liquor dealer, who figured in the sale to the Oregon News Company, yesterday paid William H. Lewis, president of the Lewis-Wiley Hydraulic Company, \$15,000 cash for a handsome Lewis residence located on Westover road and Summit avenue, Westover Terrace.

WEST MEXICO MAY RIDE WATER WAGON

ALL CARRANZA GOVERNORS CONSIDERING PROHIBITION.

Sonora Is Absolutely Dry Now and Execution Is Chanced Taken by Any Person Drinking.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—All of Western Mexico, from Tapes to the border, probably soon will be on the "water wagon," according to a statement today by Thomas D. Boyd, Jr., manager of the United Sugar Company, who arrived here from the company's holdings near San Blas, Mexico.

WILCOX BUYS STEAMSHIP

Advance of \$250,000 Over Contract Paid as Work Is Begun.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—An indication of the demand for American bottoms was emphasized today in the announcement that a steamer being built here at the Union Iron Works for Hink, Ralph & Co. of this city, and under construction of which has barely started, has been sold to Theodore B. Wilcox, of Portland, Or., for a price said to be \$250,000 in advance of the contract price.

RITA CHAMBERLAIN DIES

Granddaughter of Oregon's Senior Senator Passes Away Suddenly.

Rita Chamberlain, only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles T. Chamberlain, died last night shortly after 7 o'clock at the family home, 749 Stanton street, she was 3 years old and was a pupil at the Irvington school.

MILLS INCREASE WAGES

Cotton Operators Agree Prosperity Justifies Action.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Notions of wage increases affecting many thousand employees were pointed today in cotton mills in various cities of Northern New England. The action followed a conference of mill treasurers held in this city, in which it was agreed that improvement in business conditions warranted advances to operatives.

DUAL MONARCHY SPLITTING

Hungary Is Aroused by Austria's Apparent Insult to Flag.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The Budapest correspondent of the Post in a letter published today says that the old enmity between Austria and Hungary has burst into a fresh flame and that even the pretense of unity, which had existed, has disappeared since the time when the Austrians offended the Hungarians by removing the Hungarian flag at a fortress at Belgrade.

CITY DESTROYED BY QUAKE

Gracias, Honduras, Razed; Shocks Continue at San Salvador.

SAN SALVADOR, Dec. 29.—The earthquake shocks which began early Monday are still being felt here. A wall collapsed during a shock today, killing two persons and seriously injuring two others.

RUSSIANS ATTACK TEUTONS

Germans Flee Before Bayonets, Says Petrograd.

PETROGRAD, via London, Dec. 29.—The following official statement was issued tonight: "On the left bank of the River As a detachment attacked the enemy with bayonets. The Germans fled, leaving many killed and wounded. On the rest of the front, as far as Prigol region there have been artillery duels and fusillades."

OFFICERS FAVOR UNIVERSAL SERVICE

Continental Army Plan Is Disapproved.

MILITIA PAY BILL IS INDORSED

Oregon Goes on Record at National Guard Conference.

PREPAREDNESS IS URGED

Nationalization of State Troops for Service in Nation's Defense Is Advocated—Army Increase Will Be Supported.

No service in the proposed continental army for Oregon National Guard officers. This was the unanimous sentiment expressed yesterday afternoon at a conference of Oregon National Guard officers at the Armory. While no action was taken reflecting in any way on the proposed continental force, the officers indicated it as their desire to continue with the National Guard and carry it to the highest point of efficiency, to which end the militia pay bill was to be urged upon the Oregon delegation in Congress.

NATION'S WELFARE FIRST

Among the speakers it was generally held that the welfare of America was the first thing to be considered, and while it was contended that any plan tending to bolster up National defense should be embraced, at the same time the guardsmen held to the view that better results were to be obtained by the principle of Federal support of the militia than through the medium of any new-fangled citizen force.

WAR PLANT FOLK KILLED

Powder Mill at Cape Girardeau Is Reported Destroyed.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 29.—It was reported here this morning that several persons were killed in a powder mill explosion at Cape Girardeau, Mo. Telegraph wires are down.

BAFFLING MALADY IS FATAL TO BABIES

EPIDEMIC IN BOSTON CLAIMS ADDITIONAL VICTIMS.

Medical Examiner Thinks Disease Is New Form of Influenza—Poisoned Candy Not Credited.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—A mysterious malady, which has baffled definite diagnosis by medical authorities, had claimed seven victims among infants in Greater Boston tonight. An increasing number of children were reported suffering from the same disease.

FAIRBANKS TO BE BOOMED

Indiana Republicans Want ex-Vice-President for President.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 29.—Action looking toward placing the name of ex-Vice-President Fairbanks before the country as a candidate for the Republican nomination for President probably will be taken tomorrow at the party love feast, according to many Republicans who have gathered here tonight for the occasion.

VENDOR'S PLEA IS DENIED

Popcorn Wagons Must Comply With Traffic Rules.

Peanut and popcorn wagons must continue to shift places during the daytime to comply technically with the provisions of the city's traffic ordinance. The City Council yesterday refused to place any consideration to the request of E. Wilhelm that the traffic ordinance be amended to allow the wagons to stand in one place.

LIGHTED OIL STOVE STOLEN

Thief Enters Office and Runs Away With Red-Hot Stove.

A thief entered the office of the Shell Company's filling station at 448 Washington street last night and ran off with a lighted oil stove during the absence of the manager.

SENATOR DAY OPPOSES WAITING FOR CONGRESS TO ACT

Speakers Declare Efforts Should Be Made for State Backing at Time Jones Measure Is Being Advocated in Washington.

L. A. Hunt, of Lower Bridge, said that a resolution embodying this idea has already been prepared and submitted to the resolutions committee and will be introduced in the report of the committee this afternoon.

STATE GUARANTY OF BONDS DESIRED

Irrigationists to Start Campaign for Bill.

RURAL CREDITS ARE INCLUDED

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CHEAP MONEY IS WANTED

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PROGRAMME OF THE IRRIGATION CONGRESS TODAY.

Morning, 9:30 o'clock. R. D. Hetzel, of the extension department of O. A. C., on "What the County Agriculturist Can Do for Irrigation." Porter J. Neff, of Medford, on "Irrigation in Southern Oregon." Arthur Hooker, secretary of the International Irrigation Congress, in an address on the work of that organization.

Whether the Jones bill, providing for Government guarantee of interest on irrigation bonds to be passed by Congress or not, the citizenship of Oregon is to be rallied to the support of a campaign for a measure here in Oregon to provide for the state backing of irrigation and drainage securities, and to provide for the development of a system of rural credits for the benefit of settlers on the land.

The Oregon Irrigation Congress substantially committed itself to this line of action in the unanimous demonstrations that followed the recommendations of Senator I. N. Day and other speakers before its meeting yesterday afternoon.

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Increase in New Mexico Is Big; Domestic Animals Lured Away.

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RUBBER FOUND ON FORD PEACE SHIP

BRITISH ADMIRALTY SAYS CONTRABAND WAS SEIZED.

War Commodity Consigned to Enemy Forwarding Agent in Sweden. Estimated Weight Two Tons.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A British official statement issued tonight says: "It is ascertained that 45 bags of rubber, all consigned to a well-known enemy forwarding agent in Sweden were removed from the parcel mail on board the steamer Oscar II. The estimated weight of the rubber seized is about 4000 pounds.

The remainder of the mail, which consisted of 721 bags, was handed over to the postoffice for immediate transmission to its destination." The Oscar II is the vessel which carried the Henry Ford peace party to Europe.

DRINK CRIMES COUNTED

Drys Gather Data on Violations Due to Holiday Indulgence.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 29.—Classification of misdemeanors and various forms of crime throughout the United States resulting from drinking of intoxicants in the 10 days' period beginning with Christmas evening will be made by the National Organization of the Anti-Saloon League, L. R. Horton, superintendent of the league in Eastern Washington, announced here today in an interview.

STRYCHNINE GIVEN CHILD

Mistake Realized in Time and Antidotes Remove Danger.

Strychnine tablets were given the 3-year-old daughter of Mrs. Nellie Young, 167 Eleventh street, instead of calomel tablets, late last night. The mistake was made by Mrs. M. Paynter, the child's grandmother.

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KEMPS ASSAILANT, SAYS MRS. MYERS

Accusation Made After Seeing Photograph.

FRIENDS DISCUSS VENGEANCE

Victim Reported to Be in Critical Condition.

THREE SUSPECTS ARE HELD

Each Is in Different City—Husband of Young Victim Keeps Ceaseless Vigil at Hospital—X-Ray Finds Bullet in Lung.

Evan B. Kemp, whose rambling letter to Sheriff Hurlburt caused an immediate investigation which undoubtedly saved, at least temporarily, the life of 19-year-old Mrs. Mabel Myers Wednesday night, is declared by the victim to be the man who brutally assaulted, shot and robbed her.

She positively identified his picture as that of her assailant yesterday, and a few hours later 2500 circulars bearing an accurate description and photograph of the young man and offering a \$100 reward for his apprehension were already gone forth to all cities in the Northwest and the capture of Kemp is believed to be a matter of hours.

Mrs. Myers was sinking rapidly at 1:30 o'clock this morning and City Physician Ziegler said last night that he was not so hopeful of her recovery. The bullet in her lung was causing her great difficulty in breathing. The bullet could not be taken from the lung tissue yesterday.

Mrs. Myers is under the care of Dr. Ziegler, Dr. Cliff and Dr. Paul Rockey. Story Is Substantiated. Investigations by Deputy Sheriffs Phillips, Christofferson and Beckman yesterday substantiated in every particular the story of the vicious attack told by the girl the night before, when she was discovered, with only a blanket and coat about her, in the snow 250 feet from the cabin where she had been left more dead than alive.

The prints of the girl's bare feet were found where the snow still crusted the road, and lost hairpins and up-rooted grass at three spots boys mite evidence to fall from exhaustion in her weary progress.

In a muddy, ice-rimmed puddle, where Kemp had thrust the girl's head under water to force her into submission to his will, a red skating cap, to which particles of ice clung, was discovered by Deputy Sheriff Phillips.

Cabin Shows Struggle Signs. The room of the cabin on Cleveland avenue showed many traces of the young woman's struggle with her assailant, and her blood-stained garments were found on the floor.

There was a crowd of men about the cabin when the deputies arrived on the scene, and vengeance was discussed. Sheriff Hurlburt and his deputies at noon yesterday not only had an accurate description of Evan Kemp, alias Gus Anderson, but had traced the girl was left to die until the letter advising the Sheriff of the crime had been mailed at the postoffice.

Kemp boarded a jitney at Gresham at 5 o'clock. He got off at Thirty-seventh and Division streets, presumably to get some money from an employer, Charles Delfel, (41 Thirty-seventh street.) (Concluded on Page 1, Column 2.)

