

### SOLDIERS' HOME IS STORM CENTER

#### Board of Control Hears of Quarrel Between Commandant and Architect.

#### INVESTIGATION TO FOLLOW

#### Governor's Absence Causes Matter to Be Laid Temporarily on Shelf. Commandant Said to Have Criticized Board Members.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—The State Soldiers' Home at Roseburg promises to become a political storm center for several days to come from developments at a meeting of the State Board of Control today. Lewis I. Thompson, Portland architect in charge of the construction of a new hospital for the home, reported to the board this morning that Commandant Markee had told him to get off the grounds and that the commandant mentioned something about using a bullet if Mr. Thompson did not leave.

The board with Secretary Olcott and State Treasurer Kay present instructed Secretary Gooding to write Commandant Markee and inform him that Architect Thompson was to be treated courteously at all times while at the home on business in connection with the construction of the new hospital.

Some time ago it was reported that Commandant Markee had asked Architect Thompson to prepare a plan of the new hospital with Markee's portrait attached but this Mr. Thompson refused to do. Since then rumors have been brewing at the home and Mr. Thompson has made two or three trips here to take the matter up with individual members of the board.

**Change May Result.**

It is possible the present difficulty may result in a change in the organization at the Soldiers' Home. At the time Commandant Markee was named and Markee named in his place Secretary Olcott voted for Mr. Elder and Governor Withycombe and State Treasurer Kay for Mr. Markee.

The State Treasurer has expressed some dissatisfaction as to Mr. Markee lately. He was a strong advocate for giving Mr. Thompson the architectural work on the new hospital. Whether this dissatisfaction is strong enough for him to vote to unseat Markee is not known definitely although it was hinted at a board meeting recently that unless difficulties at the home were straightened out a change might be made.

The question has been laid on the shelf until Governor Withycombe's return. Probably it will bob up again at a board meeting next week.

**Disputes Have Arisen.**

A number of disputes have arisen between Mr. Thompson and Mr. Markee over the construction of the new hospital the board was told today. Various features as to the arrangement and more particularly the question of dividing up the cost have been some of what responsible for these differences. The commandant it is understood has been adverse to a plan of the board to equip nurses' quarters in the new hospital from an escheat fund of \$5000 or more made up from money reverting to the state which belonged to inmates who have died. The commandant believed the cost for this equipment should come from money appropriated for construction but the board decided differently.

Architect Thompson reported today, also, that Commandant Markee had made rude remarks to the ability of the board of control to handle affairs and this probably will be investigated, the commandant's statement in the story being heard before final action is taken.

### RIVER HIDES FUGITIVE

#### HARRY KELLY STANDS IN WATER UP TO HIS NECK.

#### Officers Search Within Five Feet of Man Who Leaped From Auto When Arrested on Theft Charge.

Harry Kelly, who was arrested last June for the theft of an automobile and later paroled by the Circuit Court, stood in the waters of the Willamette River up to his neck for five hours and escaped the police for some time early Thursday morning after leaping from an automobile while in the custody of Patrolman Linton. The officer had arrested him a short time before with Carrie and Ruth Keller and H. H. Haynes, a soldier, at Twenty-fourth and Broadway, for larceny of an auto.

After escaping from the automobile while traveling at a high rate of speed at Second and Pine streets, Kelly headed toward the river. He crawled under the Ash-street dock and stood in the water up to his neck while the police searched within three feet of him.

At 7 o'clock he emerged from the river after the police had given up the search and he went to Front street. Patrolman Abbott hid behind an automobile and sprang out with drawn revolver as Kelly got in front of him. Kelly said afterwards in the City Jail:

"It was a good thing the 'cop' pulled the revolver, for I would have gone away. As it is now I will kill myself before I will go to the Penitentiary."

### CAR MEETING TONIGHT

#### ALBERTA CLUB FATHERS MOVE TO GET OPINION ON FARES.

#### M. C. George to Preside, H. E. McGinn, W. S. U'Ren, E. W. Rossmann and F. T. Griffith to Speak.

A mass meeting of streetcar patrons will be held in the municipal auditorium at 8 o'clock this evening to discuss the question of the proposed 6-cent car fare asked by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company.

The committee appointed by the Alberta Commercial Club to arrange the meeting consists of Captain C. P. Decher, Ernest Oetzer, T. L. Thomas, C. E. Henshaw and W. K. Royal, Judge M. C. George will be chairman of the evening. Judge Henry E. McGinn will present the side of the public. W. S. U'Ren will present the side of the platform men, which is the attitude of all organized labor. Mr. Royal also has invited Franklin T. Griffith, president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, to present the side of the company. E. W. Rossmann will present

the side of the jitneys. William R. Boone will preside at the new organ and give a concert commencing at 8 o'clock.

Opportunity will be presented for offering resolutions, so that the audience may express themselves in a definite manner. The Public Service Commissioners of the state have been invited, and it is expected that one of them may attend.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—More protests against the proposed increase in fares on the street railway lines of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company were filed with the Public Service Commission today, and the Commission also received an invitation from the Alberta Commercial Club to attend a meeting at Portland Friday night.

H. L. Harcourt, of Portland, said he objected to Commissioner Corey's proposition that the streetcar fare be increased to pay J. A. Chapman, of 472 Vancouver avenue, Portland, warned the Commission that the public would strenuously object to granting an increase in fare.

### FAIR ATTRACTS CROWDS

#### PORTLAND DAY SETS NEW MARK FOR ATTENDANCE AT GRESHAM.

#### Mayor Baker's Proclamation Gains Hearty Response and Fast Races Are Enjoyed by Throughs.

Yesterday was Portland day at the Multnomah County Fair at Gresham, and also bore the distinction of being automobile day. Gate receipts showed a record attendance. The day was opened by a parade of decorated automobiles, which had carried a number of Portland residents to the fair. Mayor Baker supplied the music. There had been a hearty response to the proclamation issued by Mayor Baker, of Portland, and a lively crowd was present.

The usual features of the fair were displayed to advantage. The features of the day were the races, which resulted as follows:

Half-mile Shetland pony race—First, Lucille, owned by Middleton; second, Susie, owned by Brown. Winner's time, 1:10.

Standard horse race—First, B. & M., owned by O. P. Mosey; second, 2:28.

Automobile high-gear slow race—First, Eight six, owned by Charles King. Winner's time, 2:09.

Standard horse race—First, King Zoleck, owned by William Martin. Winner's time, 2:10.

Half-mile dash—First, Drummer, owned by Coffman; second, Dandy Jim, owned by Perry Hale. Winner's time, 0:54.

An exceptionally fine racing card has been made up for today, and lovers of horseflesh throughout the state are expected to turn out for the turf events. The events and entries follow:

First race, 2:25 trot, Purse \$100. Entries, Hal Wilcox, owned by J. H. Bois D'Arc, owned by Mrs. A. Newell; Song Sparrow, owned by William Martin, and Salem Boy, owned by O. P. Mosey.

Second race, special trot, Purse \$100. Entries, Dandy Jim, owned by Perry Hale; Lena Patch, owned by O. J. Brown; T. R. MacGregor, owned by Z. Shaw; Jennie May, owned by Frank Lockmore, and Mark II, owned by J. Cook.

Third race, running half-mile, Purse \$75. Entries, Annie Zehon, owned by Ed Gilbray; Drummer, owned by A. J. Coffman; Letitia, owned by M. Murato; Finson, owned by Clyde Murray.

Fourth race, free-for-all half-mile pony race, Purse \$25.

Today will be Gresham, Fairview and Troutdale day at the fair. The Mayor of Gresham has declared a half holiday, and the Greshamites are going to try to beat the attendance record of Portland day.

### 50 REPORTED LOST

#### Minnehaha Returning on 26th Voyage With Munitions.

#### VALUABLE HORSE ABOARD

#### Censored Cablegram About Ship From England Conveys No Information—Many of Crew Said to Have Drowned.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—An effort to get further details of the reported sinking by a submarine of the Atlantic Transport Line steamship Minnehaha, with the loss of 50 of her officers and crew, was made today by the owners. The only official information the line had today in the nature of confirmation was a cable from England, dated by the censor, which referred to the Minnehaha, but was meaningless.

First news was received here last night from England that the Minnehaha, which had made 25 voyages between New York and London carrying

### SCHOOL FOR DEAF OPENS

#### About 100 Pupils Are Enlisted in Institution at Vancouver.

#### VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—The Washington State School for the Deaf opened yesterday and about 100 pupils have registered, but it is expected that from 25 to 40 more will enroll soon, some of the boys being late on account of assisting in farm work.

There are 16 pupils, some 15 years old, who never attended a school for the deaf at any time. Two pupils came from Alaska.

W. M. Fitzpatrick is the new superintendent, having come here from the New Jersey State School for the Deaf.

### FORT REPELS "ATTACK"

#### War Game Is Played and Troops Are Trained to Forced Marches.

PORT STEVENS, Or., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—Troops at Port Stevens tonight repelled an imaginary attack on the fortress by combined land and sea forces of the enemy, and, incidentally, took their first lessons to harden them to long marches with full equipment.

The regular companies were used as supports for the Coast Artillery. Each company thus detailed completed a five-mile circuit. From now on training will be directed to accustom the troops to march 14 miles without fatigue.

### SALMON BRINGS BIG PRICE

#### Tillamook Fishermen Average \$20 to \$40 a Night.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—The canneries here are paying 8 1/2 cents a pound for Chinook salmon, the highest price in years. Six varieties, which are just beginning to run, are bringing 6 1/2 cents, with a raise expected as the run progresses.

At night Tillamook Bay is so full of fishboats that it looks like the lights of a city. The report is that fishermen are averaging from \$20 to \$40 a night.

### Cool Boy Sent to France.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Leslie Blanchard, a Marshfield boy, was one of eight honor men chosen from the aviation students at New York for service in France and has sailed for the other side of the Atlantic. He will have from four to six months' training on French soil before going into the battle corps, and after two months' service is to be returned to America to instruct at some of the aviation schools.

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ing 16,000 tons of munitions and supplies on each trip, was sunk by a submarine last Friday a short distance off the coast of Ireland and 50 of her officers and crew were lost.

The Minnehaha was struck in the engine-room on the starboard side, the report said, the explosion killing several of the engine-room force and men in the stokehold, as well as seamen on deck. She had a crew of 140 men. Of the 50 who were lost some were said to have been drowned in getting away in the boats.

The Minnehaha left here five weeks ago, delivered her cargo safely in London and was on her way to this port with a small quantity of general cargo and a race horse valued at \$30,000 when she was destroyed.

The Minnehaha was commanded by Captain Frank Claret, who is a commander in the naval reserves. She was one of a group of six steamships escorted by destroyers through the danger zone.

Early dispatches to the State Department from London stated all of the crew were saved.

According to American horse traders, an American, whose name they did not know; a British gunner, the ship's carpenter and his assistant, were killed when a torpedo, fired by the U-boat, caught the Devonian amidships and sent her to the bottom 40 minutes later. Several submarines, the survivors said, suddenly appeared on the surface and began an attack on a fleet of merchantmen, sinking the Devonian and four other steamers.

The vessels were being convoyed through the submarine zone and encountered the submarines off the north coast of Ireland.

**No Limit to Agents Is Opinion.**

SALEM, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Attorney-General Brown, in an opinion to Insurance Commissioner Wells today, holds that there is no limitation as to the number of agents that an insurance company may appoint in the state to transact automobile insurance business.

**SINKING OF DEVONIAN IS TOLD**

Submarines Appear Suddenly in Fleet of Merchantmen, Sinking 5.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Sept. 13.—First-hand reports of the sinking, three weeks ago, of the Leyland liner Devonian, with the loss of four lives, were brought today by survivors, who were picked up soon after the ship went down.

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SALEM, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—The Mitchell State Bank of Mitchell, Wheeler County, was granted a permit to do business by Superintendent of Banks Sargent today. The bank has a capital of \$20,000, a surplus of \$5000 and its directors are H. B. Barker, W. C. Brown and C. V. Hornor.

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