



We Take This Opportunity to Wish Every One A Happy New Year

To our friends and patrons we desire to express our appreciation of the patronage accorded us during the past year and to assure you that the same principles and practices which have made this Portland's greatest store will be constantly in evidence during 1918.

Meier & Frank Co.

A New Year's Message:

It is with a profound feeling of responsibility we address this message to our readers on this first day of a new year—a year that seems destined to play an important part in our country's history. Never has America been called to a greater duty than that which confronts her at this time. We earnestly hope for the successful accomplishment of our country's high aim and confidently look forward to its attainment.

UNITY

Unity of action should be the motto and test of every enterprise in which the Nation, the state, the community embarks. We are all—must be—committed to put forth every effort to the end that the world may be saved for democracy—that government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth.

Courage and Confidence and Cheer

should be with us as we start out for this new journey towards a new goal. Courage to see it through, confidence in the outcome, cheer to keep both courage and confidence alive. The people of Portland are expressing their courage splendidly and practically by living, as nearly as possible, normal lives.

The Meier & Frank Store

will do its part. This organization, which has had so large a place in the community's progress and development for more than 60 years, understands its duties and will perform them—realizes fully its responsibilities and will discharge them. It takes this opportunity to pay tribute to the confidence reposed in it by several generations of people drawn from Portland and the entire Northwest.



I. W. W. DENOUNCED

Judge Rossman and Attorney Deich Speak Out.

SIMPSON TRIAL STORMY

Court Frankly Expresses Perplexity as to Course to Be Followed in Case of Woman Representative of Haywood.

After denouncing I. W. W. in severe terms and condemning its membership and everything connected with it, Municipal Judge Rossman and Deputy City Attorney Deich in the case of "Eube" Simpson, frankly admitted yesterday afternoon that they did not know what disposition to make of her case because of her physical condition.

During the hearing Mrs. Simpson's husband became so enraged at statements made by Mr. Deich that he jumped at the prosecutor and threatened to thrash him, but Mr. Deich stood his ground and declared he was not afraid of a battalion of such "ilk."

Judge Rossman ordered Simpson to sit down, but a policeman had to force him before he obeyed.

Mrs. Simpson had in her possession a blank for application of funds for W. D. Haywood et al. now under indictment by the Federal Government at Chicago and credentials issued by Haywood, as secretary of the Industrial Workers of the World.

"I wish to call your honor's special attention to this subscription blank," said Mr. Deich. "This woman does not need any such credentials to go out and solicit for her cause is legitimate. But why does she carry this thing?"

"I will tell you why: she is made to carry it as a blackmailing feature of her work, under direction by Haywood and the rest of the traitors at the head of the Kaiser propaganda. When that is stuck in front of a business man's eyes, such as he hates to give them any money, in some cases he does it, anyway, because he is afraid if he don't they will blow up his home or his place of business. Just as they did the home of the Governor of California lately and just as they have done in many instances throughout the country. And this man here is hiding behind this woman's skirts and is as bad as any of them."

"Guilt Thoroughly Established. There is no doubt of the guilt of this woman as to both charges, that of vagrancy and of peddling without a license," said Judge Rossman, "but what to do with her is not so easy."

"I think the I. W. W. is an organization used for the purpose of irritating citizens and tending to make them discontented and dissatisfied; that it is dangerous and should not be permitted to carry on its propaganda in this manner when the country is in peril. I have no use for this kind of thing, but

JOHNSON IN HIS EDITORIAL DAYS HERO OF CUB REPORTER

Statesman Who Will Speak at Auditorium This Evening Figures in Newspaperman's Reminiscence of Old Days in Tacoma.

ONCE upon a time there lived in Tacoma (a city in the state of Washington) a man by the name of Albert Johnson.

He was the editor, managing editor, city editor and telegraph editor of a newspaper in Tacoma, when he wasn't writing news to augment the reporter's force or doing something else to help out.

And in Seattle (a place near Tacoma) there lived a youth, who was ambitious to be a reporter, but his experience was limited at the time—well as his salary.

One morning when the youth showed up at the office of his paper at 5 o'clock in the dead of winter he was handed an assignment that nearly paralyzed him, but he didn't dare "let up." He had to take it and "make good."

Go over to Tacoma and cover the escape of 14 men from McNeil Island Penitentiary, you've ten minutes to catch a train, was the terse and emphatic manner in which the city editor addressed the youth. "Write details as quickly as you can and remember we don't get a word from you until you've got to handle this story big."

Task Brings Much Worry. The reporter ran and caught the train—and then began to wonder how he was going to get this big story together; how he was going to get it all in fact, and all that sort of thing. So he decided to call at the News office and get his bearings, which he did in fear and trembling, half expecting to be "set upon."

It was there that he met Albert Johnson, managing editor, etc., etc. when he asked for the city editor.

"I'm it," said Mr. Johnson, smiling a smile and looking a look that was worth a million dollars to the youth.

And the youth laid his case before Albert Johnson briefly and Albert Johnson knew what the youth was up against. He knew there wasn't a man in the world, much less a cub, who could "cover" alone such a story, but he didn't say so. Instead, he went and got a proof of a story he had written in the office by telephone from his three reporters on the island, miles away, handed it to the youth and said:

This woman's case gives me a most difficult problem to solve. I withhold sentence until January 7.

BONDS NOT YET AVAILABLE. Subscribers Need Not Expect Delivery for Some Weeks.

Liberty loan bond subscribers need not expect delivery of bonds for which they have subscribed in less than six weeks from the subscription date, especially in cases where the documents are to be registered, according to an announcement just received in Portland from the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

As yet not enough bonds have been received at San Francisco to cover subscriptions made up to November 15, the

"Read that and take your notes from it; when you are through with that, run across the street and file your early stuff. Come back here and I'll let you see all we get; you don't need to bother going out to McNeil; you can get all the dope you want right here."

Everything Made Easy. The youth almost pinched himself to see if he was dreaming. And found he wasn't.

The youth followed Albert Johnson's instructions and got "all the dope" his paper could use and at noon Mr. Johnson said, "Come with me," and he took the youngster to a real restaurant and bought a big meal for him and paid for it and when thanks were offered he said, "Forget it."

Mr. Johnson's paper duly came out in Tacoma and the young reporter's paper came out in Seattle—and they both "had the dope" about the escape at McNeil flared all over the front page—plenty of it.

At 5 o'clock, when Mr. Johnson went home, he took the youth with him and introduced him to Mrs. Johnson and kept him for dinner and afterwards said, "No use for you to bother with any hotel; we've got a room for you here." And the young fellow was also a breakfast guest.

The convicts were duly caught, the story was finished and the reporter went back to Seattle expecting to be promoted or something like that. But the editor sat mute, and even if the wages of the youth remained stationary.

They Like Him in Congress. Time went by, and Albert Johnson moved away from Tacoma to Hoquiam, where he ran a paper of his own until the editor sat mute, and even if the wages of the youth remained stationary.

Tonight Albert Johnson, Representative in Congress, who no doubt long ago forgot the youth and the incident, is to tell Portland people about the war at the Public Auditorium. He will have a good story to tell, for he has been in the trenches and knows about it.

And you can bet the reporter, still in the newspaper game, hasn't forgotten Albert Johnson.

official notice explains. Not until all such orders are filled will the district reserve be begun shipping out to its branch member banks bonds on subscriptions or orders taken during the month ending December 15.

The second liberty loan, it is stated, made necessary the printing at Washington by the bureau of printing and engraving of no less than 20,000,000 individual bonds, each of which is safeguarded during process of manufacture just as carefully as is paper currency.

YOUTH, 22, Believed to Be Suicide. SEATTLE, Dec. 31.—Rowland S. Sanders, aged 22, a salesman, died at his home here early today from a knife wound in the heart. He was found lying unconscious on the floor by his mother shortly after midnight. His mother believes he took his life because he did not want to be drafted.

Edlefson's wish you a happy 1918.—Adv.

2000 SOLDIERS HERE

Preparations Completed for Entertainment of Guests.

DANCING IS MAIN FEATURE

Except for Hour of Representative Johnson's Lecture on War Conditions, Auditorium Will Be for Visitors' Sole Use.

The city expects to entertain no fewer than 2000 soldiers and sailors from neighboring military posts at the big dance and general military entertainment at the Public Auditorium this afternoon and tonight. Plans for the big affair were completed yesterday by Mayor Baker and the committee having charge.

The soldier guests reached the city late yesterday from Camp Lewis, Fort Stevens, Fort Canby, Fort Columbia, Vancouver Barracks and Bremerton. The fact that the usual monthly muster was held in all posts yesterday delayed the men in reaching the city, but they came in great numbers on regular trains after the muster. Except in a few cases, all the men will have to be back at camp at 5:30 o'clock tomorrow morning, so that the soldiers and sailors will depart on the late trains tonight.

The doings at the Auditorium will start promptly at 3 o'clock. All soldiers and sailors will be admitted free of charge, and will be welcome to bring their women friends. A large attendance of young women who dance is required, so that the soldiers and sailors may have partners. The affair will be properly chaperoned by a large number of women and by a floor committee of officers.

The dancing will continue from 2 P. M. until 8 P. M. with refreshments served during that time. At 8 P. M. the house will be open to the public for a lecture by Representative Albert Johnson, of Washington, on the subject of the war. Mr. Johnson was one of the Congressional party visiting the western front last summer, and he has an important message to deliver.

A music programme has been arranged that will add to the pleasure of those attending. Miss Mamie Helen Flynn is accompanist.

At the close of this dancing will be resumed. Civilians (except women) are urged not to participate in this out of courtesy to the soldiers and sailors, in whose honor the affair is being held. The committee in charge of the entertainment hopes to make it as big and successful an affair as the Christmas entertainment held at the same place.

The soldiers who were here for Christmas were delighted with their entertainment and that is what brought the large crowds here for the New Year's affair.

Preliminary arrangements have been made for the reception of the visitors and for placing them in proper quarters about the city. A committee of the War Emergency Council listed all reputable hotels and lodging-houses and took charge of the work of assigning the men to sleeping quarters.

Important Announcement!

The Meier & Frank Company Will Place on Sale—Beginning Tomorrow at 9 A. M.

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