

PORTLAND INVENTORS RICHER BY \$100,000

Employees of The Oregonian Sell Press Patent.

60 PAPERS USE BLANKET

Covering to Be Manufactured in East; Better Than Old Device by Five Counts.

The last chapter in the history of a Portland invention which represents a forward step in the development of the mechanical end of newspaper printing was written yesterday...

The Oregonian presses have been equipped with the new press blankets since 1915, and since the perfecting of the device in September, 1919, more than 60 of the leading newspapers of the country have adopted it successfully.

A press blanket is the covering on the cylinder press which must be pliable and yet durable to accommodate the irregularities of the paper...

Mr. Cochran told of the development of the idea from its inception many years ago, when his attention was called to the poor print resulting from the defects in the old press blanket.

In our experiments we tried out many materials before we found that cork was the proper element to use, he said.

"It was when we sent east to have the article manufactured that we encountered the real difficulties. It was almost impossible to have good work done, as the manufacturing company was not used to producing materials of this kind to the exactness required by our specifications, and when we attempted to explain by mail they were not able to understand just what we wanted."

"Finally in 1918 Mr. Youngs went east, and spent nine months in the Armstrong Cork company's mill at Lancaster, Pa., to oversee the work personally and again for three months in 1919. In his rubber and cork facilities had been overcome in the manufacturing end of it and since that date the new press blanket has been installed in 60 newspaper plants.

Better by Five Counts. From the data gathered through the composite experience of these plants we find that the new blanket is better than the old on five counts: 1. It does not stretch; it does not reduce the diameter of the compression cylinder; the cost of the manufacturing is 40 per cent cheaper than the old form; it is more durable and prints better; the patent rights were held jointly by Mr. Cochran and the Oregonian, which had provided financial backing through the discouraging years of experimentation. The telegram received yesterday by Mr. Cochran from Mr. Youngs, who is now in the east, and company of the patent rights had been sold to the New England Fiber company of Worcester, Mass.

CHORUS NOW ORGANIZED

Whitney Boys Officers Chosen and Plans Are Laid.

Organization of the body which will supervise the Whitney boys' chorus in Portland was effected at a session held Tuesday night at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, after there had been a meeting of the boys interested. These officers were: Dr. D. Wilson, president; C. W. Alexander, vice-president; Helen Jacobovics, secretary-treasurer; H. G. Wirtz, musical director; C. S. West, local organizer; P. H. Forbes, Rev. Bell Rathman, Mrs. T. D. Kirkpatrick, H. Park and Alfred Anderson, board members.

Objectives of the chorus include musical training, an all-day cigarette campaign, summer trip for the chorus and participation in the Rose Festival. It is planned to finance the tour of the boys singers through concerts given locally.

Reinsch Portland Visitor.

Paul Reinsch, formerly United States minister to China, who left the diplomatic service about a year ago to represent private interests in connection with foreign trade and shipping development, was in Portland visitor yesterday.

Obituary.

ORIGON CITY, Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Lester L. Shipley, 64 years old, a former resident of Hazelia, Clack-

mass county, but who had resided at Grass Valley for the last two years, died in Portland Wednesday morning at 9:30, after an illness of three months.

He is survived by his widow, a sister of Gordon E. Hayes of this city; two brothers, Alphonso of Gresham and Randolph of Sandy; three sons, Earl and Carrol of Grass Valley and Vernon of Portland.

RANKS, Or., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Albert Vail, 76 years old, storekeeper of Manning, Or., died here late today after a brief illness. He is survived by his widow, Hattie L. Vail, and two sons, H. M. Vail of Portland and Gus E. Vail of La Center.

OREGON VETERAN NAMED

DR. L. W. HYDE, HILLSBORO, TO BE SURGEON-GENERAL.

Spanish War Veterans at St. Louis Meeting Select Seattle Man as National Commander.



Dr. L. W. Hyde, Oregon man, elected by United Spanish War Veterans.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 15.—J. K. Witherpoon of Seattle, Wash., was elected commander of the United Spanish War Veterans at the closing business session of the national encampment today, and St. Paul was selected for the 1921 encampment.

The Portland organization of the United Spanish War Veterans has just received word that Dr. L. W. Hyde of Hillsboro, has been re-elected national surgeon-general by unanimous vote of the encampment now in session at St. Louis. Dr. Hyde served during the Spanish war with the Wisconsin troops as a surgeon, and participated in the Porto Rican campaign.

LUMBER ORDERS DECLINE

SAG COINCIDENT WITH FREIGHT BOOST, IT IS SAID. One of Shifts at Bend, Or., Mill Will Be Laid Off; Box Factory Has Only Week's Work.

BEND, Or., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—A marked decrease in orders received at the pine milling plants of the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company and the Shevin-Hixon company was reported here today by the general managers of the two local companies.

The decline in business is virtually coincident with the rise of freight rates, and the situation has resolved itself into what J. P. Keyes of the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company alludes to as "a test of strength between the railroads and the shippers."

Mr. Keyes stated that practically no orders are being received, and that one of the three shifts employed at the mill must be laid off at the end of the week. Most of the men, however, will find temporary employment in the extension of a lumber distribution railway system in the company's yards.

At the Shevin-Hixon company's plant both box factory and planing mill have only sufficient work for another week's run.

"I hope for an early change," T. A. McCann, general manager, said today. "The country is five years behind in its building and this fact should insure a good healthy demand."

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CO-OPERATION URGED BY BIG FOOD EXPERT

California Plan Outlined to Ad Club Gathering.

FARMERS' WISHES, GIVEN

Warning Against Non-Partisan Organization and Class Rule Sounded by Sapiro.

"Co-operative marketing is the one great constructive weapon against the non-partisan league," declared Aaron Sapiro, counsel for the California Fruit Growers' association, in addressing the Portland Ad club at its regular weekly luncheon yesterday noon at the Benson hotel.

"There are three things that the public wants of the farmers," said Mr. Sapiro, in opening his address. "First the public wants increased production, in order that it may be fed to sufficiency; second, it wants the farmers to stay on the farms in sufficient numbers, and thirdly it wants the farmers to become land owners as insurance against the first two."

Farmers Have Grievance. "The farmers of North Dakota are no more radical in their tendencies than farmers in any other part of the country. They had a real grievance against the bankers and millers and merchants were against them, and the whole farming class was seething with discontent when Townley and his crowd began their propaganda. It was an easy field in which to sow. The non-partisan league may be said to have been caused, at least in part, by the bankers and the business men of Chicago, Duluth and Minneapolis, even though these men did not know they were forming it, and would have stopped it, if they could."

The non-partisan league is expected in Oregon in November. They will come with a perfect system of organization. They do not use amateurs. They will invade this state with skilled organizers and platform speakers as convincing as you ever heard. The way to meet them is not to throw bricks at the organization, but to have a community sympathetic to the farmer's problems, and ready through co-operative organizations.

California Is Example. "The greatest product of California," he continued, "is not Hiram Johnson, but co-operative marketing. For 25 years California has been a field of investigation along these lines. We have made all kinds of blunders, but we have profited by experience and now we have a successful plan, which has proven itself, ready to offer to California and the rest of the states."

The co-operative plan has brought prosperity to hundreds of the small towns of California, and to the entire state as a whole, he said, citing as an instance the fact that there were more mortgages foreclosed among the raisin growers of Fresno during the year 1912, before co-operative marketing, than in the entire period since that time. Other similar facts were given to show the success of the plan along nearly all lines of farming.

President H. E. Van Duser, of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, was also a speaker at the luncheon, and urged that the Ad club members get behind the fight which Portland is making to prevent ruin of port development here through placing this

CITY-BLOCKS LAW CHANGE

PROPOSED CIVIL SERVICE ACT SEVERELY CRITICIZED.

COMMITTEE REPORT READY

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other bureaus with organized labor, might permit a working day for municipal employees of less than eight hours and might give civil service employees control of civil service.

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MAIL PILOT IS MISSING

PLANE NOT HEARD FROM 35 HOURS AFTER DEPARTURE.

Private Craft Spends Day Scouting

North of Reno, Nev., Second Machine Forced Down.

RENO, Nev., Sept. 15.—Thirty-five hours after leaving Reno nothing definite has been heard of the whereabouts of John L. Eaton, pilot of aerial mail plane No. 6381. He left Reno Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock en route to Elko, a station between this city and Salt Lake City.

Eureka, 200 miles due east of Reno, reported a plane flying over that place at 10:30 Tuesday morning, which bears out the report that Eaton had flown east to Fallon, where he was last identified, as Eureka is di-

rectly east of Fallon and about 50 miles due south of Elko, his original destination.

A privately owned plane spent the entire day scouting in the vicinity of Winnemucca, 150 miles northeast of Reno.

Pilot Black, flying plane No. 154, who left Elko at 7 o'clock, was forced to land at Hazen, Nev., 50 miles east of Reno, on account of engine trouble. He was bound west.

Bridge Closed at Night. The Burnside bridge was closed to traffic last night by order of William A. Eatchel, county roadmaster, from 11 P. M. until 6 A. M. this morning. It will be closed again tonight for the same period, according to notification received by the police yesterday. Repairs are being made on the bridge prior to the heavy traffic expected to result from the closing of the Morrison bridge to all bus pedestrians after September 20.

S. & H. green stamps for cash. Holman Fuel Co. Main 353, 580-21.—Adv.

Last Night's Audience Mystified by Phonograph



Drawn from actual photograph

Hears famous soprano compare voice with RE-CREATION by Edison's new phonograph—could not tell the two apart

ALICE VERLET, prima donna soprano of the Paris Grand Opera, gave an extraordinary recital last night at the White Temple. Miss Verlet walked on to the stage and stood beside a stately cabinet. She began to sing Romeo et Juliette. The audience immediately yielded to the spell of her beautiful voice. Then suddenly there was a stir—a subdued murmur of surprise—and a perplexed rubbing of eyes. Miss Verlet's voice continued to fill the auditorium with undiminished sweetness—your ears were proof of that—but her lips had become absolutely silent—your eyes told you that. What wizardry was this? It was the test of direct comparison with the living artist, which Thomas A. Edison has developed to demonstrate that the Official Laboratory Model of his new phonograph will sing any song exactly as it was sung by the artist, and that his Re-Creation of a singer's voice, as it comes from his wonderful new phonograph, positively cannot be distinguished from the singer's actual voice, when both are heard in direct comparison. Miss Verlet made repeated comparisons—always with the same result. Then, to demonstrate that Edison's new phonograph has absolutely no limitations, Victor Young made similar tests with the piano, and Robert Velten with the violin. It was truly wonderful. This master achievement of the great wizard, Edison, marks a new epoch in music.

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The NEW EDISON "The Phonograph With a Soul"

You can have a duplicate of the wonderful instrument used at the White Temple and, if you act quickly, we can furnish you with an engraved certificate (signed by Miss Verlet) certifying that it is an exact duplicate in tonal quality of the instrument she used in her amazing comparison; also that it will sustain precisely the same test.

We have fourteen of the famous Official Laboratory Models and Miss Verlet has certified every one of them. Come to our store at once and ask to see and hear the Official Laboratory Models on which Miss Verlet has issued her Certificates of Authenticity.

REED-FRENCH PIANO MFG. CO. Local Edison Dealers Twelfth and Washington Streets

Advertisement for Grape-Nuts cereal, featuring a box of the product and text describing its benefits and availability.