

FOR SHIPPERS

Shippers of Three Coast Cities Unite

IN DEFENSE OF THE TRADE

They Want Just Rates to Inland Empire.

THEIR INTERESTS ARE ONE

Jobbers and Manufacturers Will Seek Fair Adjustment of Distributive Rates to the Interior—Vigilance is Their Watchword.

At last the jobbers and manufacturers of the three principal cities of the North Pacific Coast have got together and are laying plans for an organization which shall watch over their interests in dealing with the railroads.

A preliminary meeting looking toward the formation of the North Pacific Jobbers and Manufacturers' Association was held at 1 First street by the transportation committee of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday with the representative jobbers and manufacturers of Portland, Seattle and Tacoma.

It was decided to form the organization named, with a branch in each of the three cities, and a committee was appointed consisting of one member in each city.

Will Combine Forces. "This association is looking to a combination of forces of the three cities for the protection of our interests as against other business centers, principally looking to better distributive rates from Coast terminals to the interior."

Spokane Shippers' Boycott. "Is this movement instigated by the Spokane shippers' boycott?"

"We, the Spokane situation has assumed such a peculiar shape that we are puzzled to see whether a town of 30,000 people can bulldoze the railroads into giving it better rates than three cities with a combined population of over 300,000."

As in Other Cities. The new organization will be similar in scope to the traffic associations which have been formed in all the principal cities of the country.

Plans for New Grange Hall. At a meeting of the trustees and building committee of Evening Star Grange, No. 27, Patrons of Husbandry, held yesterday afternoon in the office of the master, J. J. Johnson, plans for the proposed two-story building, displayed at the meeting of the Grange, March 5, were adopted with some modifications.

HE HEWS TO THE LINE. LET THE CHIPS FALL WHERE THEY MAY



DIG SHAFT TO TAP SEWER

TEN MEN AT WORK AT TANNER CREEK SLIDE.

The Flood in Gulch and Multnomah Field Continues to Fall Slowly.

Ten men were busy yesterday digging a shaft to tap the broken Tanner-Creek sewer, which has caused a lake in the vicinity of Washington and Lowndale streets.

The attempt to drive piles through the top of the sewer near the slide and thus break up the dam has proved a failure, as did the effort to open the slide by dynamite on Wednesday and Thursday.

When the shaft started yesterday is completed a ditch will be run through from the pool over the slide to the shaft, and the waters allowed to escape in that manner.

As the water recedes upon Multnomah field it can be seen that the front row of reserved seats in the grand stand has been damaged. The solid railing along the edge of the grandstand has capsized by the weight of water thrown against it.

The break in the Tanner-Creek sewer has been a costly one, and probably \$300 or more will be expended before the sewer is repaired and induced to settle down to business again.

Plans for New Grange Hall. At a meeting of the trustees and building committee of Evening Star Grange, No. 27, Patrons of Husbandry, held yesterday afternoon in the office of the master, J. J. Johnson, plans for the proposed two-story building, displayed at the meeting of the Grange, March 5, were adopted with some modifications.

CUTS DOWN THE COST

COUNCIL APPLIES SHEARS TO FIREBOAT ESTIMATES.

The Council's shears which snip off expenses from the city accounts had plenty of exercise yesterday afternoon, when six members of the fireboat committee, in opposition to the candidate of the Mitchell or Matthews machine.

Estes says he is a citizen and a qualified elector of Precinct 15 and has lived in his present place of residence for more than 25 years past.

From East Water street to the engine-house a driveway 60 feet wide, extended, according to the plans.

What's the use of a hosecart down there? Why can't the other hosecarts lay the hose from the fireboat to the fire? were the questions he hurled at Chief Campbell.

It was explained that, should a large water-front fire occur, the hosecarts attached to the other engine companies would have plenty of work of their own to do in laying hose and carrying coal.

Mr. Williams and William Fiedner and E. D. Curtis, representing the fireboat committee, coincided with the views of the Councilmen as to eliminating the lower dock and cutting down the width of one approach. Every one made suggestions and a number of expense-saving schemes will probably be incorporated in the new plans.

Acting on the suggestion of Mr. Fiegel, the Councilmen present agreed to turn over \$6000, and allow the fireboat committee to spend the money to the best advantage.

CARD OF THANKS. Mrs. W. H. Carleton wishes to thank her friends for their sympathy during the sickness and death of her husband, W. H. Carleton.

THREAT MADE GOOD

Simon Seeks to Enjoin Voting of Jailbirds.

TRIAL IS SET FOR MONDAY

Eates, the Simon Delegate, Says Prisoners' Votes Would Affect Result—Judge Carey Says Suit is "All Wind."

According to their announcement made some days ago, the Simon or Independent Republicans yesterday applied for an injunction to prevent the inmate prisoners now in the county jail, who were registered last month under the supervision of Jailer Jackson, from voting at the primaries on Wednesday next.

The suit was filed by Murdoch & Moser, attorneys for Harry F. Eates, the Simon delegate for the 13th precinct, in which the jail is situated and wherein the prisoners swore they had their legal residence. As defendants the attorneys name W. A. Storey, Damon D. Jackson, Walter F. Matthews, Charles H. Carey and F. S. Fields.

Judge Carey and W. F. Matthews are joined as defendants because, the complaint alleges, Matthews is "the real leader and head of the political machine in whose interests it is designated to vote the said prisoners at the primary election, and the defendant, Charles H. Carey, is the apparent leader and campaign manager of the same machine."

Judge Carey says, "All Wind." Judge Carey, when asked last night what his side would do in the matter, said that he had no opinion on his mind because he had not seen the complaint.

The suit he declared to be incited by political designs or malice. The complaint, he said, was "veriest chaff, all wind and amounts to nothing." "Simon men know as well as we do that the jailbirds were registered without the sanction of our organization, and that they will not be permitted to vote."

County Clerk F. S. Fields appears as a defendant only in an impersonal way. The complaint alleges that he is the custodian of the registration books and that, owing to the action of Storey and Jackson in registering the 12 prisoners, the books are not correct.

Reasons Given by Estes. The complaint recites that Storey is a candidate for re-election at the hands of the Republican County Convention to be held in Portland on March 15, 1904, and that his success is dependent on the success of the Regular Republican ticket at the coming primaries.

Estes says he is a citizen and a qualified elector of Precinct 15 and has lived in his present place of residence for more than 25 years past.

From East Water street to the engine-house a driveway 60 feet wide, extended, according to the plans.

What's the use of a hosecart down there? Why can't the other hosecarts lay the hose from the fireboat to the fire? were the questions he hurled at Chief Campbell.

It was explained that, should a large water-front fire occur, the hosecarts attached to the other engine companies would have plenty of work of their own to do in laying hose and carrying coal.

Mr. Williams and William Fiedner and E. D. Curtis, representing the fireboat committee, coincided with the views of the Councilmen as to eliminating the lower dock and cutting down the width of one approach. Every one made suggestions and a number of expense-saving schemes will probably be incorporated in the new plans.

Acting on the suggestion of Mr. Fiegel, the Councilmen present agreed to turn over \$6000, and allow the fireboat committee to spend the money to the best advantage.

CARD OF THANKS. Mrs. W. H. Carleton wishes to thank her friends for their sympathy during the sickness and death of her husband, W. H. Carleton.

The Importations for the Year 1903 of G. H. MUMM & Co's Champagne were 121,528 CASES GREATER by nearly 20,000 cases than the importations of any other brand. The Extra Dry of the superb new vintage now arriving is conceded to be the choicest Champagne produced this decade.

of entertainment, to enjoy a sociable time, and that Dugan, who is engaged there to forcibly remove guests and visitors without provocation struck and beat him and forcibly ejected him, Oesterling alleges that he was incapacitated from work for some time, and that his clothing was torn.

Sues for Salary and Commissions. W. N. Benedict, a traveling salesman, yesterday instituted suit in the State Circuit Court against the Carrara Paint Company to recover \$2875 salary and \$4275 commissions. Benedict avers that he was employed by the company in August, 1902, at a salary of \$250 and was also to receive commission on all orders in excess of \$5000 per annum.

Archbishop of Oregon Sued. The Roman Catholic archbishop of Oregon is named as defendant in an action commenced yesterday in the State Circuit Court by the East Side Lumber Company to recover a balance of \$119 on account of lumber furnished and used in the building of the Italian church at the corner of Fourth and Mill streets, between January and July, 1902.

Enamored of a Widow. Mary Alexander, who says her husband, Wynnam Alexander, is enamored of a certain widow and other women, whose names she does not know, yesterday began suit against him in the State Circuit Court for a divorce. She accused him of infidelity. The parties were married in Iowa in 1883, and have one child, of which the mother asks the legal custody.

J. H. Peterson Pays \$443. Satisfaction of judgment was entered in the State Circuit Court yesterday in the damage suit of Abraham Jones against J. H. Peterson for assault and battery. The amount Peterson was required to pay was \$443. The case was tried in the lower court about six months ago, and Peterson appealed to the Supreme Court without avail.

Louis Trummer Sued. Paul Friedman yesterday sued Louis Trummer, a saloonkeeper, to recover \$123 for goods sold to Colonel J. F. Harvey for \$200, and later Shaw & Co., representing Altmann, sold him the farm and stock for \$4500. J. H. Peterson says that he offered payment March 1, as agreed, and demanded a deed, and Altmann declined to execute it or to conclude the sale.

Severe Cold Wave in Guatemala. NEW YORK, March 12.—A great cold wave is prevalent in Guatemala, according to a Herald dispatch from Panama. There is a heavy mantle of snow covering the mountainous regions 2000 feet from the summits, a condition which has never before been seen by Guatemalans, so far as is known. There was a slight earthquake in Guatemala City Thursday, but it caused no damage.

Clark Returns Convalescent. NEW YORK, March 12.—Among the passengers who arrived today on the steamer Trinidad from Bermuda was Senator W. A. Clark, of Montana, who is convalescent from a recent operation for mastoiditis.

Madame Patti Leaves America. NEW YORK, March 12.—Madame Adeline Patti sailed for England on the Lucania today.

Kicking Out British for Chinese. Boston Transcript. A correspondent of the London Daily News, writing from Johannesburg, furnishes an unpleasant picture of the situation in South Africa. The latter appears in the Daily News of January 10. Its opening paragraph is: "The foreign element (the mineowners) is permitted to continue the process of colonial disintegration. The introduction of Chinese and the expulsion of British."

L. W. ROBERTSON LOSES SUIT. Jury Decides He is Not Entitled to \$1400 From the Portland Club.

Lewis W. Robertson, ex-Chief of Police, Democratic politician, lobbyist and cardplayer, will not recover \$1400, alleged to be twice the amount of his gambling losses, any other sum, from the Portland Club. The verdict in the suit which Robertson prosecuted against the club, Peter Grant, Nate Solomon, et al., was read in Judge Sears' court yesterday morning, and was in favor of the defendants.

The jury was comprised of a representative body of citizens, as follows: W. J. Hawkins, foreman; C. W. King, John Froudfit, F. N. Pendleton, Arthur P. Johnson, F. N. Mathena, Cal Powell, Parker Adams, Alfred Egger, John Good, A. J. Farmer, John Hampton.

Mr. Fiegel had apparently never read that a hosecart was to be stationed with the fireboat and accompany it to every fire on the water front.

What's the use of a hosecart down there? Why can't the other hosecarts lay the hose from the fireboat to the fire? were the questions he hurled at Chief Campbell.

It was explained that, should a large water-front fire occur, the hosecarts attached to the other engine companies would have plenty of work of their own to do in laying hose and carrying coal.

Mr. Williams and William Fiedner and E. D. Curtis, representing the fireboat committee, coincided with the views of the Councilmen as to eliminating the lower dock and cutting down the width of one approach. Every one made suggestions and a number of expense-saving schemes will probably be incorporated in the new plans.

proceed on divergent paths, varied by the hard-pressed British being hired to demonstrate in favor of Chinese. Hunger is an ever-recurring persuader and is sharply convincing." The writer then proceeds to show that the mineowners or their agents hired rowdies and unfortunate men out of work to prevent speakers being heard at a great meeting held to protest against the introduction of coolies.

The position, depend upon it, amounts to this: The people of South Africa desire freedom of action and speech and insist that their voice shall be heard in the government of their country. Their patience is nearly exhausted; a few more steps in the direction of legislation in the interest of the capitalists and the people will rise. The Dutch section are but waiting for the English and colonial section to rise and revolt, and they will join with them to a man. Remember, there is no fight chance, no offer, no furthering of a prejudiced mind. The words are heard on all sides, day by day. If these things don't alter soon there will be civil war."

FIGHTS SHERIFF FROM CASTLE. Squatter's Stronghold is Finally Battered Down With an Ax.

CHICAGO, March 12.—A rifle and pistol duel through the barred door of the structure that was the Delaware state building at the World's Fair, took place today in the suburb of Hegewick, where the building now stands. Ellis Bennett, the owner of the so-called "Delaware House," has been barricaded in the place since yesterday defending a "squatter" claim to 160 acres of surrounding land. Deputy Sheriff Long attempted to enter the house. Bennett greeted the officer with two rifle shots. The deputy, revolver in hand, answered with two shots through the door. All was quiet following the shooting.

A plan was formed to set Bennett's "castle" on fire and smoke him out. Word was sent to the Fire Department to be near, so the blaze might soon be suppressed.

Before putting the plan into execution Deputy Long battered down the door with an ax. Entering, the deputy found Bennett sitting in the corner with three guns. Bennett explained he had concluded to offer no further resistance, "seeing as the deputy was alone."

NEW YORK, March 12.—Among the passengers who arrived today on the steamer Trinidad from Bermuda was Senator W. A. Clark, of Montana, who is convalescent from a recent operation for mastoiditis.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Madame Adeline Patti sailed for England on the Lucania today.

A pencil manufacturer said the other day, as he handed me a hexagonal bit of yellow wood: "That is the finest pencil made in the whole world. It is the 'Kob-lor' and it comes from Austria." "Do you mean to freeze that your pencil is inferior?" "To that, yes, we have tried in vain to imitate it. I hate to acknowledge it, but the fact speaks for itself." "It is a Kob-lor."

THE LEADER OF THEM ALL! THE BEST \$3 HAT IN THE WORLD. -For Sale Only By- BEN SELLING LEADING HATTER