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Massachusetts Men Are to Erect Pavilion.

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STATE EXHIBITS EN ROUTE

Senator W. H. Fairbank, With Builder, on Exposition Grounds to Commence Work—Many Coming From New England.

Senator Wilson H. Fairbank, of Massachusetts, Executive Commissioner for that state to the Lewis and Clark Centennial, is in Portland, together with C. Dudley Perkins, who will superintend the construction of the Massachusetts building and also have charge of the building during the Exposition. The gentlemen were snowbound for several days during their journey across the continent.

Senator Fairbank was enthusiastic yesterday after visiting the Exposition grounds. "One thing is certain," he said, "this Exposition is in better shape than any I was ever interested in before. You will break all records by being ready on the opening day. Why, your Fair is almost completed now. They are putting the gravel on the walks and drives, a thing that was not done at St. Louis until after the Exposition there opened. I am well pleased with the present aspect of the Fair."

Many Coming From New England. "There are a great many people coming from New England. They will want to visit all parts of the Pacific Coast as well as the Centennial. A great number will be men of capital and leisure. We are doing our best to advertise the Fair. We are preparing a folder of 22 pages to be distributed throughout the State of Massachusetts. This folder will describe the Exposition, give photographs of the officials, and show the best routes from Massachusetts to Oregon, besides giving views along the way. We have \$30,000 worth of exhibits already stored on the Exposition grounds. More are coming, one car being expected to arrive within a few days."

The cars containing the Massachusetts exhibit bear on their sides large signs reading, "Massachusetts Exhibit for the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition, Portland, Oregon." Senator Fairbank announced yesterday that bids for the construction of the Massachusetts State building will be received until noon, Thursday, February 23. The specifications are at the office of the director of architecture. They state that the building must be ready for acceptance by April 20. Senator Fairbank will remain in Portland until the construction of the building is under way, when he will return to his home in Warren. He will again come to Portland about the time the state building is completed. Senator Fairbank was the Executive Commissioner for Massachusetts to the Exposition at St. Louis.

BETTER MONTANA EXHIBIT.

Commissioners Ask \$5000 More for Showing at Portland Fair.

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The report of the Montana World's Fair Commission has just been submitted to Governor Toole, and it is expected that the Legislature in Statehouse circles that the Legislature will not hesitate in responding to the request for additional funds for the exhibit. The commission is increasing the Montana exhibit at the Portland Exposition.

The report, in so far as the Lewis and Clark Exposition is concerned, says: "All of the St. Louis exhibits designed for the Lewis and Clark Exposition to be held at Portland have already gone forward, and an agent of the Commission is now on the ground to receive them. It is the intention of the Commission to add such new and available material as may be necessary and can be secured for the Portland exhibit."

"The appropriation for the Lewis and Clark Exposition is \$10,000. This sum is not sufficient to enable the Commission to erect a state building, and we therefore have to be content to make our display at Portland in the regular designated Exposition buildings, foregoing the pleasure and comfort of a building of our own, as we enjoyed at St. Louis. "In the present condition of the state treasury we hesitate to suggest a further appropriation. However, after a careful consideration of the subject, the executive committee is of the opinion that the sum available for Portland will be insufficient to properly add to, install, care for and return our exhibits, and that an additional sum of \$5000 should be appropriated for this purpose."

UTAH DELEGATION ARRIVES.

Confidence Expressed That State Will Set Apart \$30,000.

The party from the State of Utah in Portland to make arrangements for that state's representation at the Lewis and Clark Centennial. They visited the grounds yesterday and announced themselves as well pleased with the scope and percentage of completion of the Exposition. Thomas Hull, Speaker of the House of the Utah Legislature; W. M. Merrill, chairman of the ways and means committee of the House; Judge C. S. Kinney, a member of the same committee, and B. J. Goddard, a prominent business man of Salt Lake, composed the party. All were accompanied by their wives. "The bill appropriating \$30,000 for the Exposition will pass," said Speaker Hull. "Upon our return we will make a convincing report on the Exposition to our Legislature."

Indiana Society to be Organized.

All former residents of the State of Indiana now living in Oregon may become acquainted and incidentally for the purpose of forming an association that will be of assistance in promoting the Lewis and Clark Exposition, a register will be opened Monday morning at the store of Jaeger Bros., 250 Morrison street, where all "Hoosiers" are earnestly requested to sign their names. As soon as sufficient have been enrolled to justify so doing, a society will be formed.

Nebraska Society to Meet.

The Nebraska Society of Oregon holds its regular monthly meeting at Alisky Hall, corner Third and Morrison streets, Tuesday evening, February 21.

Addresses will be delivered by Judge Thomas O'Day and others and a large and interesting meeting is anticipated. This meeting should be attended by every former Nebraskan now living in Oregon.

Exposition Notes. The walks and drives at the Exposition grounds are being bedded with South American red gravel, which came to Portland as ballast. Contrasted with the dazzling white of the buildings this color is most pleasing. The Agricultural Palace was turned over to the State Lewis and Clark Commission at noon yesterday, examined and formally accepted. Director of Exhibits Doehs at once began laying out the floor plan and the installation of exhibits will begin at an early date. The installation committee of the State Lewis and Clark Commission, consisting of F. A. Spencer, J. H. Albert and W. R. Thomas, held a meeting last night at Exposition headquarters, when applications for space for county exhibits were received. They were considered and a report will be made on this subject at an early date. The committee also discussed what to set aside for the state agricultural and horticultural display, and this will be made public at the same time the county awards are published.

LAXITY IN REFORM WORK. Many Have Poor Civic Ideals, Says Thomas McCusker. PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 18.—(To the Editor.)—Reading your article in the Saturday Oregonian, "Matters of Civic Pride," in which you ask the whereabouts of certain individuals who were formerly engaged in the work of civic improvement, myself among the number. I desire to say that I am still in the land of the living and as much interested in the work as ever, but I must say that I am not as actively engaged in the work as formerly, for various reasons. In the first place, the absolute indifference of our so-called good citizens to a great handicap to any work of improvement, no matter along what line, and the willful violation of the ordinances by more of our good citizens who are engaged in business connected with the apathy of the city officials, make it extremely difficult to accomplish much. Again, there are those who approve of what we have done, but don't want their names mentioned for certain business or political reasons, and there are numerous good citizens who hide under the title of "Anonymous" who point out where work can be done, and give us good advice and encouragement—of a kind. In fact, the Civic Improvement Association practically dwindled down to perhaps half a dozen active workers and called for so much of our time that we could not afford to follow it up. What we have accomplished is to have a few dollars worth of improvement of conditions over what existed a couple of years ago, and the police force of the city did not assist in the work. These things are serious obstacles against displaying merchandise and vegetables on the sidewalks, but it is done every day, and the police stumble over the obstructions without seeing them. We have an officer whose duty it is to look after this, but for some unaccountable reason he is unable to remedy the fault. The merchant for the title of "Anonymous" who points out that he will get sinks his civic pride and violates the ordinance. Contractors who build houses obstruct the street and sidewalks, not so much with building material as with rubbish, and claim they have a permit from the City Engineer. There is a place on Park and Columbia streets that has been in this condition at least 20 days. It seems to me that if the contractor or owner of the property has no civic pride the City Engineer should refuse a permit.

I made an attempt to prevent the stretching of unsightly banners across the streets, but found that in each case the Council had granted a permit; in fact, that the Council was the first to violate the ordinances. The city claims to be in need of money to carry on the affairs and seeks to raise it by a few dollars worth of looking certain nuisances that should be taxed, particularly the billboards. I believe the city receives \$200 per year from the monopoly for granting them the privilege of obstructing the view with ungainly billboards, as well as permitting them to litter your yard and porch with dog-dung. This franchise is sold for \$1000 a year, which is a dollar to the firm which has it, and there is no reason why the city should not have some of it. In fact, no one would be likely to use them together. There are perhaps 5000 signs up in this city, and not one of them in accordance with the ordinance, and they are worth to the owner considerable money. These signs should pay from \$1 to \$2 per quarter to the city. I do not mean the signs that are on the buildings, but those on and over the sidewalk contrary to law. There is an ordinance making necessary the painting of telegraph, telephone and electric light poles, and I believe the owners who signified their willingness to comply. I have told the Mayor that I would endeavor to have galvanized iron boxes placed on the poles so that waste paper, etc., would not be thrown on the streets, but the paint is not forthcoming.

Regarding the spitting on the sidewalks, I had this matter up with General Ball and Mr. Bichel, of the police committee, and they promised to make this a special order to the police, and I believe did so, as I am sure this disgusting habit is not so bad as formerly. To me it is a nuisance, and I hope you will continue to agitate it, and some good will come of it. Our association received its greatest encouragement from the present, and this city and its members are grateful for same. I believe that in a very short time the matter of civic improvement will receive new life as several organizations of this city are considering it now, notably the Chamber of Commerce. In conversation with Mr. Wheelwright a few days ago he assured me that he would lay the matter before the Chamber of Commerce and promised that they would begin active work in the near future. I feel confident that a strong organization of this kind will accomplish good results, and I trust that there will be an awakening of civic pride in Portland and that everyone will lend a hand in this good work. As I told Mr. Wheelwright, I am ready to co-operate with any organization of good citizens who desire to push this work. THOMAS MCCUSKER.

Heir to Estate of Private Soldier.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The Hon. Arthur Reginald French, eldest son and heir to the title of Viscount of Epsom de Freyne, a large landowner in County Roscommon, Ireland, who arrived here January 15 and was reported yesterday to the police as having mysteriously disappeared from his hotel, is at Fort Steunon, on David's Island, near Fort Rochelle, wearing the uniform of a private in the United States Army. On the day of his disappearance, French enlisted at a recruiting station in this city and was assigned to the Eighth Regiment. He came to America to visit his uncle, Captain William French, who owns a ranch in New Mexico. Having telegraphed his relative and receiving no reply, the young man decided to take up Army life, of which he is very fond.

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PICTURES OF WAR

Consul Miller of China Has Fine Collection.

SOON TO BE SEEN HERE

He Will Make Surprising Revelations to Portland Merchants Concerning Oriental Trade—Mazamas to the Front.

Henry B. Miller, American Consul-General to Niuchwang, China, is generally accredited with being the best informed man in America upon present conditions in the war zone in the Orient. During his present visit to Washington, D. C., he is being consulted by high Government officials concerning the Russian-Japanese War, and his opinions have been telegraphed to various parts of the United States as of supreme significance. He is, indeed, the highest authority on this subject, for he has been at the seat of war, Niuchwang being only a short distance from Port Arthur, and only a few short hours' ride from the call of his home Government. It is not generally known that he has been in Portland, in the care of his friends, a large and very valuable collection of photographs, taken during the war, up to within a few weeks ago, showing active military operations at close range. These pictures constitute a vivid and highly dramatic story of the most realistic sort, illustrating every conceivable phase of the war, its tragedies, inventive skill, finesse, personal heroism, and countless crafty and cunning devices for outwitting the enemy. Permission has been obtained by Consul Miller's friends—the Mazamas—to give a public exhibition of these pictures in the immediate future, upon Consul Miller's return to this city, on which occasion he will himself explain to Portland people the highly dramatic war episodes depicted in these photographs. This will take the form of a stereopticon entertainment, and will be of exceptional historical value and thrilling interest. Consul Miller will also have some surprising revelations to make concerning forthcoming trade conditions at the conclusion of the war, and the Pacific Coast's opportunities that have never before been made public. The value of Consul Miller's talk in this respect to Portland merchants will far exceed anything ever before offered them on Oriental trade. In addition to the war pictures showing the fall of Port Arthur, the perilous work of clearing the harbor of the deadly mines, wreckage of the Siberian railway, and the capture of the Russian cable, gunboats, commissary scenes, there will be numerous group pictures, showing leading diplomats, Generals, war correspondents and other high officials and their wives, now at the front. There are dinner parties and social gatherings, in which these dignitaries are seen in their most characteristic and interesting poses. In every case the portraiture of each individual is most faithful to life, and easily recognizable. Consul Miller enjoyed the unusual privilege of well-known personages, now busily engaged in making history and changing the map of Asia.

As Consul Miller is a most delightful speaker, and will give an excellent account of incidents and historical events shown by picture, the opportunity soon to be presented is sure to be greeted with enthusiasm by the public generally.

SIX MEN KILLED IN COAL MINE

Car Jumps Track and Causes Rock to Fall on Them.

POTTSDALE, Pa., Feb. 18.—Six men were killed and 14 injured at the Lytle colliery today. The men were being lowered into the mine in a "gunboat" car, when the latter jumped the track and knocked out several props. This caused a fall of top rock and six of the men in the "gunboat" were crushed to death. Ten of the injured are not in serious condition and were able to walk up the slope.

"Quo Vadis?" to be Repeated.

So great was the success of the grand spectacular production, "Quo Vadis?" at the Columbia, that the play will be decided to place it again on Monday (tomorrow) and Tuesday nights. Seats are now on sale. This will positively be the last chance offered to see the splendid production.

Thinks Police Are Untruthful.

Regarding a report that the notorious Paris House has reopened as before, Sheriff Word said yesterday: "There is no Paris House there than there is here. There is no truth that the place has reopened. My men were there last night. The fellows who tell such a story lie, that is all."

Bright's Disease and Diabetes News

San Francisco, Feb. 17, 1905. To the People of Portland: As San Francisco druggists acquainted with the facts we are asked to certify to you the curability of chronic Bright's Disease and Diabetes, and however unreasonable it may seem, yet such is the fact. Up to a year ago we had never heard of a genuine case of chronic Bright's Disease or Diabetes recovering. Now it is a common occurrence in this city. A great discovery has undoubtedly been made. Many prominent people here have recovered. And the percentage of efficiency seems to be very high, for there are very few failures. Ferry Drug Co. Lion Drug Co. Health Drug Co. W. J. Joy C. F. Fuller Green & White Kibbourn's Pharmacy Haman's Pharmacy A. L. Noss A. O. Schmidt Kibbourn's Pharmacy Owl Drug Co. Central Pharmacy Depot Pharmacy Pettis Drug Co. B. S. Dickoff F. A. Gay N. Schmitt C. B. Pooler N. Schmitt A. E. Scammell and many others.

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The Following Items of Unusual Interest for Tomorrow and Tuesday

- 1905 Wash Goods Charming Spring Fabrics. A great portion of the new season's Embroidered and Printed Wash Fabrics are here, and they promise to win your admiration at a glance. Last week the pretty Spring fabrics made this section of the store an interesting place, and this week we will display many styles not previously shown. New Zephyr and Seersucker Gingham, Spring styles, for women and children's wear, an immense assortment of most desirable patterns, yard.....10c New Grecian Voiles, in medium and dark shades; best and prettiest medium-priced fabrics on the market. A nice line of patterns; 20c yard. Cord Zephyrs, Gauze Suitings, Beige, Voiles, Nub Twines and Nette Voiles. A splendid assortment of new Spring weaves; all the best styles represented; yard.....15c Organdies, Dimities, Batiste and Lawns, new figured and stripe novelties of latest designs, fine sheer weaves; priced at, yard, 25c, 20c, 15c, 12 1/2c and.....10c Genuine Anderson's Scotch Gingham, in checks and solid colors, 32 inches wide, colors absolutely fast, priced at, yard, 25c and.....15c Best grade American Prints, in black and white, grays, reds, garnet, navy and white, white with neat figures, and all fancy styles, yd.....5c Dress Satens, in dark and medium colors, with neat designs, fine silky finish, fast colors, priced at, yard, 25c and.....15c

Portieres, Couch Covers, Table Covers, New Muslin Underwear, Women's Winter Coats and Suits

- AT LESS THAN COST. Prices on Winter Coats, Suits and Furs are lowered irrespective of cost. We have to dispose of them to make room for new Spring arrivals— \$ 5.00 Coats now\$ 2.50 10.00 Coats now 6.75 7.50 Coats now 5.00 15.00 Coats now 10.00 10.00 Coats now 6.50 20.00 Coats now 14.75 New Laces for Spring. Just Opened—The shipment consists of fine French Valenciennes Laces and Edges and Insertions to match from 25c per dozen to \$5.50 per dozen; also Net Top Laces, in matched sets and all colors from 15c per yard to \$4.75 per yard. Big assortments of Nottingham and Venice Edges and all colors. A wide range of successful styles and patterns in Mechlin and Torchons. Women's Hosiery. WOMEN'S 50c HOSE 30c—Women's fine black cashmere Hose, in plain and ribbed and black ribbed with white sole. Regular 50c and 60c grades. Monday and Tuesday.....30c WOMEN'S HEAVY BLACK RIBBED SEAMLESS HOSE—Fast black, all sizes, Special.....25c Children's Stockings. Children's fine 2x1 and 1x1 ribbed cotton Hose, suitable for boys or girls. Special.....15c Women's Underwear. WOMEN'S \$1.50 WOOL UNDERWEAR 80c—Women's fine flat lamb's wool Underwear, all sizes, in white and black, in ribbed and plain color. Regular \$1.50 grade. Monday and Tuesday.....85c WOMEN'S 60c UNION SUITS 50c—Women's gray and cream cotton union suits, all sizes. Regular 60c grade. Monday and Tuesday.....50c Women's Sweaters. WOMEN'S \$4.50 SWEATERS \$3.75—Women's fine Australian wool Sweaters in plain red, fancy white and green and white and black figures. Regular \$4.50 grade. Special Monday and Tuesday.....\$3.75 Shoe Department. We sold Friday and Saturday every pair of our \$1.50 Sale Shoes, except those that were in our Third-street window. There were 239 pairs of these; we didn't put the poorest of the lot in the windows by any means. These 239 pairs go on sale Monday morning at last week's price. They're patent corona colt, black vic kid, Blucher and plain lace. Monday.....\$1.09 Misses' kid Shoes with patent leather tips, light and heavy soles......95 We are showing our first installment of misses' tan Russia calf Shoes. Special sale price.....\$1.49 Boys' box calf and vic kid Lace Shoes, with oak soles......87 Men's Department. MEN'S 35c GLOVES 25c—Men's muslin and sheepskin work Gloves, Regular 35c grade. Monday and Tuesday.....25c MEN'S THE GOLF STRIKE 25c—New fine Gold Stripes in light and dark colors, made of calico and Madras cloth. Regular 65c and 75c grade. Special Monday and Tuesday.....30c MEN'S HEAVY DOUBLE FLEECED LANES UNDERWEAR, also Jersey fleeced lined. All sizes shirts and drawers......50c MEN'S MEDIUM WEIGHT GRAY MERING UN-SHEWERS—Regular \$2c value; all sizes......35c

Domestic Department Specials

- 8c yard-wide Bleached Muslin, special Monday.....6 1/2c 10c Unbleached Muslin, extra quality, Monday.....8c 45x36 Pillow Cases, fine quality cotton, Monday only.....12 1/2c 81x90 Bleached Sheets, very best quality, Monday, each.....68c Bleached Turkish Towels, 20x45 inches, Monday only.....15c Extra size Wool Finish Cotton Blankets, tan color, special value.....\$1.00 Full size Crochet Bedspreads, fringed, handsome designs.....\$1.65 Heavy Bleached Damask, all pure linen, 58 inches wide, yard......50c Extra size Comforters, covered with silkoline, scroll-stitched.....\$1.25 20x20-inch Bleached Napkins, splendid quality, dozen.....\$1.00 Russia or Twill Crash, 16 inches wide, durable quality, yard......5c

New Spring Waists

Ten huge cases of new Spring Waists received last week. Principally linens, lawns and Japanese silks. Each material arranged into a waist according to the edict of 1905 fashions. Words cannot convey to you their beauty—naught but the eye can suffice. Now showing in Suitroom at popular prices.

Special Sale of Sateen Petticoats

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