

PATROLMEN DO WORK OF SLEUTHS

While Police Hunt Criminals, High-Salaried Detectives Sleep.

CHIEF FORCED TO ACT

Sends Out His Policemen in Plain Clothes to Run Down the Crooks Who Are Infesting the City.

ASSISTING THE DETECTIVES. Chief of Police Gritzmacher finds that he cannot control the headquarters staff of detectives so as to keep down crime in Portland, and is obliged to detail patrolmen to work in plain clothes to assist the highest salaried sleuths.

These are the patrolmen Chief Gritzmacher has named to assist: Kay, Jones, Hillier, Burke, Anderson. In addition to these, the police captain frequently details his sergeants to assist their sergeants to such work, and it is common for them to call in officers from beats to do detective work. This is especially true during hours of duty for the second relief, when staff detectives slumber and dream of rewards and increased salaries.

Seven detectives, drawing large salaries from the city, are unable, it seems, to accomplish the work for which they were appointed. In addition to the regular headquarters staff, Chief Gritzmacher has been obliged to detail a special squad of plain-clothes men. Increase of crime, violations of ordinances by thousands of people, and to keep down grafts of divers kinds it has become necessary, the Chief holds, to have these extra detectives.

Police Captains Substituted.

In addition to a special detail of patrolmen to perform detective work, the captain of police frequently finds it necessary to take sergeants around town minus their uniforms, or to dispatch their sergeants on detective duty. Frequently, also, the captain calls in patrolmen from their beats, orders them into civilian clothes and sends them out to do detective work. This is especially true of the second relief, commanded by Captain Bailey, as during the hours in which he is in charge, Joe Day and his brothers of the high-salaried detective staff are slumbering on downy beds.

An unwritten law of great strength and wonderful duration exists here, says that it is against the good of the staff for any member to work after 11 P. M., so the stations are without staff detectives all night in cases of burglaries, robberies, "blown" safes or other crimes demanding immediate attention, it is up to the commanding officer to provide means to capture, if possible, the perpetrators. No staff detectives are to be had.

Regarded as Strange.

In police circles it is regarded as strange that seven staff detectives cannot take care of the work devolving upon them, and for which it is supposed they are paid. It is pointed out, however, that their time is quite largely occupied in consulting City Councilmen concerning increases in salaries of detectives, such as the recent vote to increase the rate \$15 a month, instead of \$30, as now. Trips to the old homestead, away down East, and desperate chases after rewards also require some time at the hands of the detectives.

But whatever the reason, the fact remains that Chief Gritzmacher has been obliged to detail special detectives to keep down crime and clean up the city.

RETURNS TO STAGE AFTER ABSENCE OF A YEAR

EDITH ANGUS is to return to the stage after almost a year's absence, and her reappearance will be gladly welcomed by the many friends of that splendid young actress.

Miss Angus was a member of the original Columbia Stock Company, and in the capacity of "second woman" with that organization was immensely popular until a serious and high fever illness forced her into temporary retirement. Now, completely restored to health, she returned to active work with the Belasco Stock Company, and will appear in important roles during the coming season. Most of her stage career of five years has been spent under the direction of Belasco & Mayer, who engaged her at the earliest possible moment for the Portland company. While not a native of this city, Miss Angus is essentially a Portland girl, having made her home here with her mother and sister, Marion Bark, for more than a year. She is a very capable actress and a young woman of splendid social attainments, and it will be with great satisfaction that the local public will greet her in "Audrey" Monday night.

COMPLAINS OF THE WATER

Small Size of Mains Responsible for the Condition of Shortage.

PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 12.—(To the Editor.)—There has been considerable in the newspapers of late concerning the condition of the water supply of our city. Many of our residents are complaining and the conditions throughout the city certainly justify the complaint.

As a member of the Water Committee of the Holladay Park Improvement Association, I have had occasion to look into the situation and to ascertain, if possible, the cause of the shortage of the water and the remedy therefor. That the conditions are bad is unquestioned, as I find complaints from a great many people that during the hours when it is permitted to use the hose, no water can be obtained in the second stories of the houses and in many cases not even in the kitchens. I know personally where, for several evenings it has been impossible to obtain water in the basements of houses for from one and a half to two hours.

The cause of this shortage is due, not so much to a lack of sufficient water, as to the small size of the mains and the large amount of waste, which is going on all the time.

These conditions cannot be remedied by complaint to the Water Board, for it is doing the best in its power with the money at hand. The remedy consists solely in getting more money to be expended for larger mains which shall form the main arteries of the water system, and to connect the higher portions of

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the city to the high pressure reservoir, especially those portions lying on the east side of the river.

The Water Department had planned to make some such connections during the present season, but owing to the improvement of certain business streets down town, the money was diverted from this purpose so that the mains could be laid, and inasmuch as the Water Department must make all extensions out of the money which it receives as income from the sale of water, after the proportion for the sinking fund and the interest on bonds has been laid aside, the extensions will, necessarily, be delayed. The city has grown faster than those who planned the waterworks ever imagined it could grow, and the only solution which has occurred to myself, and those who have gone into the matter, is to issue special bonds, say \$1,000,000 to be expended in four years. This would allow of proper changes being made in the present system and the extension of the main arteries so that sufficient water could be obtained for each district.

Another thing which is delaying the extension of mains is the large number of vacant tracts within the city limits, through which mains must be laid in order to reach other tracts which are being built up. There are, no doubt, in this city thousands of lots, each with a 30-foot frontage, in front of which water mains have been laid, and these lots are not paying a single cent into the treasury of the Water Department. The rule of

the Water Department is that main will be laid as soon as possible when there are sufficient houses on a street to guarantee a net income of 4 per cent on the investment, but this must include all vacant lots as well as those which are improved. Some Eastern cities have a tax of so much per foot for each lot on a street through which water mains have been laid, and I think it would be a wise plan if steps were taken to collect a tax of, say 25 cents per month for each lot, as long as it was unimproved. As soon as a house was built upon the lot, the 25-cent-per-month tax could be done away with and the regular water rent take its place.

W. O. HAINES, Member of Water Committee, Holladay Park Improvement Association.

Japanese Borrowed a Passport.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—Yamazaki Isokichi attempted to enter this country upon a passport belonging to another man. He has been ordered deported on the Kanagawa Maru, which brought him across the Pacific, and Japanese Consul Hiramida has canceled the passport. In addition, the Consul will send a detailed report of the circumstances to the Japanese government that Yamazaki Isokichi may be prosecuted when he lands in his own country.

The laws of Japan are strict against borrowing passports and the Japanese will have to suffer.

BACK TO JAIL, THEN TO WORK

Judge Cameron's Disposition of the Case of a Young Californian.

HOBBO SAID HE WANTS JOB

Records of a Day's Proceedings in the Municipal Court With the Sentences Imposed Upon Various Malefactors.

F. Rogers, a young Californian, is in the City Jail waiting for Municipal Judge Cameron to secure for him a position as a shoemaker. On a charge of vagrancy the defendant was arraigned in court yesterday morning, and it developed that he had been shifting from pillar to post for several years, having no home. He made the statement that he would work if he could get a job.

"From what I've seen of you, I don't believe you'll do any work, but I'm going to see whether you'll work, if given an opportunity," remarked Judge Cameron. "Just go back to jail and I will get you a job, and we'll see what you'll do when turned out to tackle work."

Back to jail went Rogers.

Rogers is a man of unusually large physique, and when asked if he were healthy and able to work he replied that he was.

"What is the matter with a young man like you, who is able and there is plenty to do, that you do not work?" queried Judge Cameron. "It is remarkable, in my estimation, for a man of your strength and health to roam about, doing little or nothing and living the life of a hobbo. Your clothes are the worst ever; your shirt is so filthy it is not fit to be seen. It would make a hog sick to have to associate with you, in your present dirty condition."

Rogers stood erect during the rapid fire of the court, and cast his eyes forward. He made no reply, except when asked to do so, and when asked to go to jail he replied that he would go to work.

Rogers said he has no family and no home, and that he has been roaming about to pass away the time for three years.

Louis Greenberg is a Roumanian, he says, and while he was on the witness stand yesterday he developed a very sudden ignorance of the English language. This occurred when Deputy City Attorney Fitzgerald asked him if ever he had any goods in an auction-house at 613 Third street. Greenberg could not say a word, as he stated he could not understand.

On direct examination, however, Greenberg talked rapidly in English, finding no difficulty whatever in understanding everything his attorney asked him.

Greenberg was arrested for being a "capper" or "booster" at the auction establishment named, he being brought in by Acting Detectives Kay and Jones. The officers testified that Greenberg was in the establishment Friday evening, pretending to purchase a pair of field glasses, but did not take them away.

Greenberg finally decided to leave town and was discharged.

John Burton and John O'Keefe, race-track touts and undesirable men generally, arrested by detectives, were willing to leave the city immediately, and were given the opportunity. Before discharging them, Judge Cameron summoned Chief of Police Gritzmacher, who stated his willingness to have them leave.

Frank Spencer, arrested by Acting Detective Hillier, of the Upshur-street station, was given 60 days in the County Jail for having opium in his possession.

Acting Detectives Kay and Jones, who have been doing plain-clothes duty for some time, Friday evening arrested Joe Levalley and Katie Williams, charging vagrancy. Yesterday morning, when the cases were called in the Municipal Court, Mrs. Sarah Lewiston, mother of the Williams girl, took the stand and gave testimony against her daughter and Levalley. The mother testified that her daughter had been a good girl until Levalley came

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The title of the book published by Laird & Lee is "Classic and Realistic Scenes of the Golden West." Most of the space of the publication is devoted to the interests of Portland's Exposition. Views of the Exposition, a handsome colored panorama of the Fair and the adjacent country, showing the grand chain of the Cascade Mountains, with its lofty, snow-capped peaks, a page of portraits of the men who were active in taking the initiative of the Fair enterprise, views of the "Sunken Gardens," autographic letter of Jefferson to Captain Meriwether Lewis, European building and Agricultural building, view from Grand Staircase, main terrace, Oriental exhibit buildings, looking up the Grand Staircase, famous Trail and Bridge of Nations, Government Peninsula building, American Inn, Government building, main terrace, Idaho building, United States life-saving exhibit, Festival Hall, interior view, Foreign building, view from Government Peninsula, California building, on the Trail, Oregon building, detailed view European exhibit building; Vice-President Fairbanks and party; detailed view, Forestry building; interior view, California building; rustic stairway, rose display; interior, Massachu-

Thrown From an Automobile.

PACIFIC GROVE, Cal., Aug. 12.—A very serious automobile accident occurred on the 17-mile drive near Carmel Hill yesterday afternoon. An automobile party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. John Bruener and Mr. and Mrs. William Cliff, of San Francisco, were all thrown from their automobile to the ground.

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