

POLICE CLOSE TONGUES OF FIRE CAMPMEETING



"TONGUES OF FIRE" CAMPMEETING AT TWELFTH AND DIVISION STREETS.

THE police have compelled the Tongues of Fire sect to close down its meetings, which have been under way for several months in the big tent at East Twelfth and Division streets, and Rev. John Glasco, colored, and his followers are seeking for a hall. They are tired of the campmeeting and wish to move indoors now.

Ever since the sect moved into the tent at East Twelfth and Division streets, the people of that vicinity have been constantly registering complaints at police headquarters, and have finally been recognized by Chief Gritzmacher as having rights paramount to those of the fanatics who have held forth there so long with all manner of noises.

Municipal Judge Cameron, who lives just across the street from the campmeeting grounds of the Tongues of Fire sect, put in the final complaint against the fanatics, and Chief Gritzmacher decided that it was time for the Tongues to move.

The customary objections to the removal were set up by the leaders of the

Tongues of Fire sect, but these were overcome by the overwhelming complaints of the citizens in the neighborhood whose peace has been disturbed day and by night since the fanatics set up their tent on the place.

Owing to the peculiar practices of the sect, much of their worship going up in the shape of racking noises, the neighbors were greatly annoyed and have lived in misery for months. Far into the night the loud wailings and weepings of the members and their friends have made the nights hideous, according to the many statements made to Chief Gritzmacher.

For several nights the police have been called upon to protect the Tongues of Fire members from hoodlums who have been attracted to the scene by the extraordinary scenes that have been of nightly occurrence. Riots have been narrowly averted on several occasions, when but for the timely presence of the policemen, serious trouble would have followed. Thursday night some one cut several of the guy ropes that hold up the big tent, and there came near being a panic within. No arrests were made, but the police drove off a band of youths who had perpetrated the trick.

ALITCHISON TO AGT

Will Investigate Crowding of Trains From Seaside.

GOES TO THE BEACH TODAY

Will Return Tonight, as Greatest Crowding Is Said to Occur on Sunday Trains From Coast. Railroad Promises Reform.

In response to complaints received by the Railroad Commission that the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad's trains are sadly overcrowded on their return from Seaside Sunday nights, Commissioner C. E. Aitchison will do some personal investigation today in order to determine if these complaints are well founded. He will take the morning train for Seaside, returning to Portland tonight. On this trip he expects to learn the actual conditions on the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad.

He went out on the evening train last night to Linnton, and returned on the eastbound A. & C. train, arriving here at 9:45 P. M. The matter of overcrowding trains is a serious question and one to which the Commission is bound to give careful attention. The Sunday night trains from the beach are usually heavy, consisting of from 12 to 15 coaches because of the very large crowds who want to get back to town on that night.

Commissioner Aitchison has taken the matter up with Superintendent McGuire, who promises to provide seats for all passengers. He says, however, that trains on the A. & C. are not now crowded unduly and that all who desire seats can be accommodated.

EXCURSION FROM BROOKLYN

Party of Seventy-five Business Men Will Visit Portland.

A party of 75 Brooklyn business men, members of the Brooklyn League, left Brooklyn, N. Y., yesterday by a special New York Central train for a tour of the country. Their trip includes one day's stay in Portland. The visitors will arrive here on August 23 and will spend the day in sightseeing. The Commercial Club will take them about the city on special trolley cars so they may gain a good idea of the Rose City.

W. C. Seachron, Pacific Coast Agent for the Vanderbilt roads, will leave tomorrow for Yellowstone Park, where he will join the party, and will personally escort it to Portland. The train consists of four Pullman sleepers, observation and drawing-room car and diner. The trip will take up one month. The train will come to the Coast over the Northern Pacific from St. Paul and will return East over the Southern routes.

Manager O'Brien Due Today.

After a consultation with E. H. Harriman in Salt Lake City, General Manager O'Brien of the Harriman interests in the Pacific Northwest, is expected to reach home today. He will be accompanied by General Manager Farrell of the Oregon & Washington, the Union Pacific extension to Puget Sound from Portland. Mr. Harriman could not spare the time for a visit to Portland, it is understood, but went on to San Francisco, whence he will go to the Klamath country for a short vacation with his two sons.

Leaves the Great Northern.

Henry Schappert, junior clerk in the Great Northern offices, has resigned to

accept a position with S. Birkenwald & Company.

His place in the Great Northern offices will be taken by Joseph Marlas.

TWO DROWN HELPING ONE

Fatal Accident at Well-Known California Military Academy.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Two instructors and a student of the San Mateo Military Academy, located 15 miles south of San Francisco, were drowned yesterday afternoon while bathing in the surf. Professors Smith and Brookes and Charles Dell lost their lives. A student by the name of Askam nearly lost his life while endeavoring to save his comrades. Smith and Brookes were well-known university graduates. The former was known throughout the Pacific Coast as "Denver Smith," the famous football player of the University of California.

St. Matthew's School, as the academy is called, opened its doors for the Fall term yesterday. It is one of the best-known preparatory schools in California, and among its students are the sons of wealthy Californians. After the school exercises a number of the students, with the instructors, went to the beach for a swim. Young Dell swam out beyond his depth and suddenly called for help. Instructors Smith and Brookes swam out to him, but were caught in a swift current and all three were drowned.

SINGING MAKES HIM MAD

Paris Chinaman Tries Three Times to Escape High Notes.

PARIS, Aug. 17.—Tin-Sin-Hu was two months ago as contented as a celestial can be away from his own country and cheerfully fulfilled his duties as valet de chambre in a certain Paris household. Lately, however, he became a changed man.

Tribute to Mrs. Joseph Oppenheimer

PORTLAND, Aug. 17.—(To the Editor.)—Many, many estimable and loving friends of ours have passed to the great beyond who have been sadly missed. By virtue of one quality or another, they have signalled their great worth in our community and their passing away has left a void that has remained unfilled. In recalling the memory of our various lamented friends and coworkers, we have been stimulated to emulate them and by virtue of their example have striven to continue the good work they have left incomplete. But now, it seems to me, and no doubt to all who know her, that the "Great Responder" has made sad havoc in removing from our midst our beloved friend Mrs. Pauline Oppenheimer. The shock is great and the pain will remain for a long time. A woman absolutely without fault, unselfish, charitable, lovable in every sense of the word, her loss is well nigh unbearable. Her place in our midst can scarcely be filled.

Jury Exonerates the Woman.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—The coroner's jury exonerated Mrs. Madeline Langlotz, who it was alleged killed her father, George Wasser, after the latter had fatally shot his wife. The daughter was discharged from custody. The verdict says the father was killed by a person whose name is unknown.

Engineer Killed; Fireman Hurt.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 17.—The locomotive on a fast passenger train from Little Rock jumped the track near St. Louis and with the mail car overturned. Engineer Aaron Platt was killed and the fireman injured.

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SOLID AS A ROCK

Strike Has No Effect on Financial Conditions Here.

BANK CLEARINGS SOARING

Wall-Street Flurries and Eastern Panics Cause No Reaction in Local Money Market—Cash Enough to Move Crops.

Despite Wall street flurries and the somewhat panicky feeling in Eastern financial centers, caused largely by the strike of the telegraph operators, financial conditions here are sound. Money is available for moving crops and no such stringency as is crippling industry in the East prevails here.

Proof positive of the easy conditions in Portland and the entire Pacific Northwest is afforded by the bank clearings of the past week. Figures of the Portland Clearing-House Association show a gain of nearly 50 per cent over the corresponding week of last year.

The total for the week ending last night is \$7,815,231. The figures for the same week last year are \$5,200,000.

The advance is healthy along all lines of industry. Every avenue of commercial activity is marked by a general advance over last year.

Unhappy Married Life.

OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—After 30 years of married life, Mr. and Mrs. James Foster have discovered that incompatibility of temper exists and the woman has instituted suit for divorce. She says that July 29, 1907, her husband grasped her by the throat, threw her on the floor, scratched and bruised her and threatened to kill her, and she had to flee for her life and obtain refuge with relatives. She alleges that he has prevented

telegraphers' strike, so far as it affects local banking institutions, is the slowness of communication with the Eastern money centers. This fact causes a lack of information and on this account Portland bankers cannot keep in touch so closely as they usually do with the financial centers. Bankers say the strike does not seriously affect the transmission of money between Portland and the Eastern cities. There is less of this business carried on now than formerly, most of this interchange being by check. What business is carried on by telegraph is being conducted without serious delays.

On the whole there is every reason for Portland to feel encouraged financially. The Pacific Coast is no longer a borrower from the East but a lender to that section of the country. Tighter conditions of the money market there will fall to have such disastrous effects as have been felt here during former periods of adversity.

Tribute to H. E. Baskerville.

PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 17.—(To the Editor.)—Herbert E. Baskerville, who died last Friday at his late residence on East Sixth street, Holladay's Addition, formerly lived in Seattle, Wash., and was employed as traveling salesman for W. P. Fuller & Co. Mr. Baskerville was loved and highly respected by all who knew him. His beautiful character and genial disposition made him many warm friends, who will be deeply grieved upon learning of his death, just in the bloom of life when the fulness of his powers were beginning to be felt and appreciated. He was strictly honest and upright in all his dealings with his fellowmen, and was patient and thoughtful concerning the rights and feelings of others. Even through all his sickness, and while suffering great pain he never murmured nor complained in the least, and was so considerate and kind to those who attended him during his illness. While he is no longer with us in the flesh, the lesson and beautiful spirit shown and expressed by his noble life are still with us. D. M.

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her getting possession of her clothing and personal effects and the cloud of poverty is darkening her future happiness, caused by the violent temper and ingratitude of her husband, who is said to be worth \$100,000, with a monthly income of \$5,000. Mr. and Mrs. Foster have five grown children and a 13-year-old son, and the wife asks for \$30 per month alimony and \$200 with which to defray the expenses of the suit. The family lives at Damascus, Clackamas County. Michigan Village Fire Sweep. HANCOCK, Mich., Aug. 17.—The vil-

lage of Hubbell was nearly destroyed by fire this morning, 29 dwellings, four stores, and a hotel, and Calumet, Hecla coal sheds with their contents, buried. The loss is upward of \$100,000. When you hire a man, are you satisfied if he works as hard as you do?

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