WOULD LENGTHEN TERMS OF OFFICE

Postmasters Believe Frequent Changes Work Injury to Postal Service.

OTHER CHANGES INDORSED

Convention Adopts Resolutions in Support of Postal Savings Banks and Parcels Posts Along Rural Delivery Routes.

Oregon's Presidential postmasters like their jobs. At their convention yesterday not a dissenting voice was raised when one of the visiting postmasters suggested that their term of office was entirely too short. This feeling at no time deserted the meeting, which, prior to adjournment, adopted a resolution declaring that "whereas tenure in office is important and necessary to efficiency in public service, we urge our delegation in Congress to give preference to the incumbent when efficient service has been rendered." This resolution was reported among others by the committee on resolutions and ratified unanimously by the convention. The resolutions committee was composed of Squire Farrar, of Salem; W. M. Smead, of Heppner, and C. G. Coad, of Dallas.

The sessions of the Presidential Postmasters' Convention, the first gathering of the kind in this state, were concluded yesterday afternoon with the re-election of officers for the ensuing year, as follows: President, J. W. Minto, of Portland; vice-president, J. L. Page, of Eugene; secretary-treasurer, B. W. Johnson, of Corvallis. President Minto was authorized to appoint an executive committee, which will determine the time and place for holding next year's convention.

Address by R. B. Mundelle.

The principal speaker at yesterday's session was R. B. Mundelle, general inspector of the registry department and connected with the office of the Third Assistant Postmaster-General. Mr. Mundelle based his remarks on the subject: "Registry and the Importance of the Money Order Department." His address was an especially instructive one, consisting of a clear presentation of the operation of this important department as it has been organized and directed by Postmaster-General von Meyer.

Mr. Mundelle referred to the fact that the number of pieces of registered mail handled had increased from 16,000,000 in 1900 to over 34,000,000 for 1907, while the percentage of losses resulting from the transmission of this business had been reduced 33 per cent. He discussed the importance of this department of the mail service and pointed out the great practical assistance postmasters can be further to increase the efficiency of this service. At the close of his address the convention resolved itself into a genuine Chautauqua round-table and in answering the many questions that were asked, Mr. Mundelle gave the interested postmasters a great store of helpful information.

"Postmasters of the Fourth Class," was the subject of a short address by M. E. Page, of Clatskanie, ex-president of the Oregon Association of Postmasters of the Fourth Class. F. E. Whitney, chief clerk of the railway mail service, discussed the railway postal service, and J. S. Van Winkle, postmaster at Albany, read a paper on "Postoffice Accounts."

E. C. Clement, postal inspector of this city, read a very interesting paper on "Rural Delivery," in which he emphasized the importance of this department of the mail service. He pointed out that the appropriation for this service had reached the enormous total of $35,000,000, while its value was in proportion, since it reached and served the great number of people.

Urges Need of System.

Speaking on the subject, "Good of the Order," President J. W. Minto said:

"Discipline and system in every detail is absolutely necessary in order to record the fewest number of errors of postoffice employes. The errors of the patrons of the office are numerous, and in many instances cannot be remedied, but there are some that I think all postmasters should urge upon the patrons of their office and we as postmasters could assist very materially. In all towns and especially where there is carrier service, through town and city authorities we should urge as far as possible the naming of all the streets, and proper numbering of houses, and as far as possible avoid duplication of either names or numbers. Another matter that all postoffice officials should encourage as far as possible, not only by business men but individuals as well, is to use all return envelopes, or return cards on their mail.

"This would save an endless amount of trouble and the added expense is so small that it amounts to almost nothing. It insures the delivery or return of mail with a great deal less delay than is experienced at many offices where these matters are not made particular. There is still another matter that might seem a delicate subject, and that is to impress upon our employes in our postoffice service the necessity and importance of being courteous and accommodative to the public at all times.

Employes Should Be Courteous.

"We should not forget that the average person is not at all familiar with the postoffice laws and regulations, and simply to answer an inquiry by yes or no is not sufficient. A few words of explanation and a few steps taken to accommodate your patrons do no harm but will go a long way toward satisfying the person that you have at least tried to help them in their trouble, and will always leave a good impression. Persons long in the service many times forget this important duty we owe the public when serving them, as we all do in the postal department. I believe it is the duty of every postmaster to impress this matter upon the employees, under his control."

Before adjourning, resolutions were adopted extending the thanks of the convention to the Commercial Club and Tom Richardson, its manager; J. W. Minto and B. W. Johnson, officers of the Association; and to R. B. Mundelle and W. R. Hinman, representatives of the Postal Department at Washington for attending the convention and delivering addresses.

Resolutions recommending the discontinuance of the practice of keeping a record of changes of postmarking stamps as a waste of time, energy and material and declaring that the filling of the stud on domestic money orders should be discontinued were indefinitely postponed by the convention. They were submitted by William M. Yates, postmaster at Hood River, and were reported to the convention by the resolutions committee without recommendation.

In addition to the resolution declaring for longer terms for efficient postmasters, the convention unanimously adopted the following resolutions approving some of the measures indorsed by Postmaster-General von Myer:

Text of Resolutions.

Resolved, That this association heartily indorses the recommendation of Postmaster-General von Myer to Congress for the establishment of Postal Savings banks and we appeal to Congress to take early action in this most important matter; we also favor the adoption of the special system of Parcels Post on rural routes as recommended by the Postmaster-General for packages originating on rural routes or at offices from which rural routes start.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this convention that suitable provision has heretofore not been made for clerk hire in third-class offices and we invite the attention of our Senators and Congressmen to that portion of the report of the First Assistant Postmaster-General for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1907, in which he says that it is decidedly unjust to require postmasters of the third-class to provide necessary clerical assistance at their own expense.

Resolved, That we recommend that the department adopt a regulation to take effect after the expiration of a reasonable time, prohibiting the use of transparent envelopes.

Yesterday morning the postmasters of the fourth class, many of whom attended the sessions of the Presidential Postmasters' Association, met and reorganized for the ensuing year by electing the following officers: President, A. C. Bennett, of Irrigon; vice-president, Miss Rose Ingram, of Monroe; secretary-treasurer, William J. Clarke, of Gervais.

HOTEL PROPRIETOR LIABLE

Guest Robbed at Merchants Successful in Recovery Suit.

Resulting from the series of depredations and thefts committed at the Merchants Hotel, a suit has just been terminated in the justice court which has great importance in determining the liability of an innkeeper. The suit was brought by Patrick Joyce against William and W. G. Weber, proprietors of the Merchants Hotel.

Joyce was robbed of $75 while a guest of the hotel, his room having been entered while he was asleep and his trousers taken. The money was extracted from the trousers.

He brought suit last Monday in the justice court and was represented by Attorney John H. Stevenson, a deputy under ex-District Attorney Manning. Arguments were heard and Justice Bell took the case under advisement, and returned his verdict Friday. He awarded the full amount and costs to Mr. Stevenson's client.

A number of arrests were caused as a result of the numerous thefts at the Merchants, but almost all of those arrested have been released because of want of evidence.

PLAN BIG RECEPTION

Foresters to Honor Supreme Ranger O'Grady.

HOLD STATE CONVENTION

Sessions Lasting Two Days to Be Occupied With Business and Ceremonies in Chief Ranger's Honor.

Oregon members of the Foresters of America have completed all arrangements for the two days' convention which will be held in Portland this week in honor of John J. O'Grady, supreme chief ranger of the United States. Visiting Foresters from all the coast states will be present to do honor to their chief officer and to escort him on his tour of the country.

Mr. O'Grady will be met at Redding, Cal., by A. L. Brown, of Salem, grand chief ranger for Oregon, and escorted into Oregon today. A reception has been planned for the distinguished Forester at the state capital which will be attended by state officials.

The party will then leave Salem for Portland on the electric railway and take a trip up the Columbia River to see the great resources of the Oregon country. Returning to Portland Mr. O'Grady will become the guest of Portland Foresters as well as of Oregon and be accorded all the honors which his office carries.

Tuesday evening a monster parade of Foresters will be held in which 2200 members from Oregon, Washington and Idaho will participate. The parade will form at Seventh and Morrison streets and will march to the Armory where Mr. O'Grady will speak. A band will be engaged for the occasion and songs will be rendered by the Swedish Singing Club and the Oregon Male Quartet. A. Brauer, chief ranger for Oregon will preside and will make the opening remarks. The public is cordially invited to attend this meeting and every arrangement has been made to make every visitor welcome.

Wednesday evening a union meeting of the various lodges will be held at Foresters' hall in the Marquam building for Foresters only. More than 200 candidates will be initiated into the order at this meeting and the work will be put on by a selected team from the various courts and also by Supreme Chief Ranger O'Grady and grand court officials from Oregon and Washington.

Standing for the highest development of the Foresters, Mr. O'Grady's visit has unusual significance in that it means a determined and united effort on the part of all the lodges in the Pacific jurisdiction of the order to strive for the very best in the point of membership and objects of the great organization. Mr. O'Grady is a lawyer of New York City and was elected supreme chief ranger of the Foresters at Chicago nearly a year ago. Since ascending to the highest office in the order he has accomplished wonderful results in the East and Middle West and the object of his visit to the Pacific Coast is to instill the same aggressive spirit of determination into the work of the Pacific jurisdiction and to bring the members into closer touch with the work of the supreme court.

An untiring worker, Mr. O'Grady has brought the efficiency of the order to the highest working standard ever known in its history. While actively engaged in the practice of law he has never lost interest in athletics and credits his wonderful capacity for work to the fact that he exercises daily. He is a comparatively young man and has proved himself to be a prime favorite with the younger members of the order. It is upon them that he depends largely for support in carrying out his programme.

A. L. Brown, of Salem, grand chief ranger for Oregon, is one of the best-known Foresters in the state and it is said that under his administration the order has progressed more rapidly than under any preceding grand chief ranger. He is a well-known citizen of Salem where he has been superintendent of the city water works for 21 years.

W. H. Klepper, a past grand chief ranger of Oregon will accompany Supreme Chief Ranger O'Grady and the grand court officials of Washington through Washington and Idaho. Mr. Klepper is a salesman of Portland and seconded the nomination of Mr. O'Grady at Chicago at the time of the latter's election to the highest office in the order. F. R. Peterson is another Portland Forester who will figure largely in the entertainment of the distinguished visitor. He is chairman of the grand trustees of the State of Oregon.

Rockefeller's Gift Refused.

CHICAGO, Aug. 8.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Atlanta, Ga., says: The $1000 subscription of John D. Rockefeller to a fund to establish a memorial for "Uncle Remus" (Joel Chandler Harris) has a condition attached to it.

President Joyner, of the "Uncle Remus" memorial association received a letter from Mr. Rockefeller yesterday, stating that he would give $1000, provided the association raises $49,000 in one year.

The letter surprised the officials of the association, and they will inform the oil magnate that his gift will not be accepted with the conditions attached. The association has fixed no limit to the memorial fund, and does not intend to.

OREGON PIONEER OF 1850 DIES AT THE AGE OF 82

The Late Thomas Roe, of Forest Grove.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Aug. 7.—(Special.)—After a lingering illness incident to old age, Thomas Roe, another of Forest Grove's honored citizens and pioneers, died at his home on Third avenue at 12:15 A. M. today. Funeral services will be held at the late family residence Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, and the interment will be in Naylor Cemetery.

Mr. Roe was born at Auburn, Cayuga County, New York, August 21, 1826. In 1848 he was engaged in sawmilling in Palmyra, Mich. After remaining there two years, he went to California and worked in the mines at Cold Springs. He came north, settled on the Cowlitz, taking a donation claim. His next venture was in the mercantile line at Monticello, where he remained until 1870. In 1871 he came to Forest Grove to be near Pacific University for his children.

In 1857 he married Miss Mary Ann Ostrander, who came to Oregon in 1852, and who survives him, with the following three children: Barnett Y. Roe, who became a lawyer, but is now living on a farm near here; Charles O. Roe, a furniture dealer of this place, and Mrs. Willis Goff, of this place.

Mr. Roe served as County School Superintendent in Cowlitz County, and as a member of both the Washington and Oregon Legislatures. He was for several years a probate judge.

RETURNS FROM ALASKA

Charles E. Templeton Makes Sketches of Indians and Scenes.

Charles E. Templeton, who has been spending several weeks visiting different places in Alaska, has brought home many interesting sketches he made while there.

Mr. Templeton tells of his experience in sketching an Indian camp at one of the large canneries where the Indians come from all parts of Alaska to work during the fishing season. Just as he was finishing the picturesque figures preparing their evening meal, they realized the quiet young man with pencil was taking their pictures and they suddenly disappeared, but the happy, careless children gathered around him and, full of merriment and joy, they chattered and pointed from sketch-block to their Summer home, a tent with an improvised kitchen in front and rows of salmon hung up drying. The Indian child is not superstitious, and especially the Alaskan Indian child is very bright and shows much intelligence.

Young Mr. Templeton not only saw the artistic side of Alaska, with all its varied scenery, but like his father, Dr. Templeton, he enjoys the sport of rod and gun. Spending one week in Sitka, he had several outings and says the streams were full of speckled beauties. Fishing parties may be seen almost any evening and boys and girls haul in the trout almost as fast as they can bait the hooks. Night does not come quickly and they do not have their sport until their baskets are filled.

Mr. Templeton had the happy experience of going out only a short distance from Sitka and within a few hours brought in a deer. He says hunting is easy, as favorable grounds are reached by boat from Sitka and the game is found but a short distance from the beach.

Date Set for Dorr's Hearing.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 8.—Fred Dorr, the stockbroker accused of the embezzlement of $14,000 worth of securities, who was brought here from Los Angeles yesterday and released on bail, appeared before Police Judge Cabaniss this morning and was instructed by the court as to his legal rights. The case was then postponed until next Friday, August 14, when the date of the preliminary examination will be fixed. Judge Cabaniss stated that as he was preparing to take his annual vacation he would ask that the case be transferred to some other department of the court. If this were not done, he probably would set the hearing for some time about a month hence. Dorr declined further to discuss his affairs today. He will go to Los Angeles this afternoon or tomorrow to examine into the condition of the books and accounts of his branch office in that city.

Our Great August Sale Is Now in Full Swing

The Greatest Sale We've Ever Organized

When we launched this sale we hadn't the floor space to display all the offerings we had gathered for this most important furniture sale of the year. The departure of a great quantity of this furniture since opening enables us to now add this surplus

Tomorrow, therefore, will be virtually another opening day for this sale. Those who have already attended can pay another visit with profit to themselves. Those who haven't been there on this occasion cannot afford to be absent tomorrow. Come

DRESSER SPECIAL

No. 215-3: Dresser, made of seasoned material, two small drawers and two large; 20 by 36-inch top and upright oval mirror, beveled plate, 14 by 24, instead of landscape, as shown in cut. Worth $12.00, special.. **$8.20**

ROCKER SPECIAL

$1.95

No. 2697: Hardwood Rocker, well braced arms, cobbler seat, exactly like cut, in mahogany or golden finish; a $3.50 value, special..... **$1.95**

RANGE SPECIAL

$27.75 Regular Value **$36.00**

6 hole, 16-inch oven
Polished blue steel
10-year guarantee

YOUR CREDIT IS ALWAYS GOOD HERE. Select what you need, and if you desire to take advantage of our dignified credit plan, we will be pleased to accommodate you.

POWERS'
THE STORE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY
DIGNIFIED CREDIT FOR ALL — FIRST AND TAYLOR

THE PURCHASING POWER OF A DOLLAR varies under various circumstances. For every dollar you spend here you get a full dollar's worth. We guarantee satisfaction.

DEALS IN "QUEER" NOTES

FIRM OF CURIO DEALERS INDICTED IN CHICAGO.

Alleged by Governor to Have Furnished Spurious Greenbacks Passed in Portland.

Information reached the office of the United States Attorney yesterday that Stevens & Company, curio dealers of Chicago, had been indicted by the Federal grand jury of Illinois for dealing in spurious bank notes. The indictment of this firm resulted from information furnished the Federal authorities in Illinois regarding its alleged fraudulent transactions.

Last Spring R. H. Wells, Doc Sheehan, Frank Caviness, J. N. Saylor and M. J. Dorsey were arrested here for distributing bogus bank notes of the Merchants' and Traders' Bank. An investigation was made by the Federal authorities and in indictment returned, charging them with using the United States mails fraudulently. It developed at the trial of the case that the men obtained these notes from the Chicago firm in duplicates, one side being blank. All that was necessary to do in order to pass them successfully was to paste two of the blanks together, giving the product the appearance of a genuine bank note.

The defendants, by their counsel, attacked the sufficiency of the indictment and the testimony offered by the Government, contending that before the charge of using the mails fraudulently could be established against the accused, it devolved on the prosecution to prove that the scheme to pass the bogus money was formed before the correspondence was conducted with the Chicago house from which the bank notes were purchased. This phase of the alleged conspiracy could not be proved and the defendants were released.

Disappointed at not being able to punish and make an example of the men passing these notes, District Attorney McCourt resolved to take the matter up with the United States authorities in Illinois and see if the source of supply could not be shut off. He will feel gratified if the indictment against the Chicago curio house is prosecuted successfully. Wells and his confederates made a specialty of passing their worthless notes on women who conducted rooming-houses, a $5 or $10 note being tendered in payment for a night's lodging, the difference being paid in good money.

BATTLESHIP PLANS FOUND

Blueprints of Indiana Stolen From Navy-Yard Are Recovered.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 8.—A set of plans or drawings, supposedly of the ammunition compartments and hoisting apparatus of the battleship Indiana, have been found under a pile of brush and stone in the lower section of the city. George Small took to a police station a set of blue prints of parts of the Indiana which he saw a man place under a pile of debris not far from his home. Parts of the plan were marked with lead pencil and according to the police they had been taken from the ordnance department of the Navy-yard. An investigation is to be made.

Piano Sale

Monday morning early we will sell you a fine piano at a fair price. Every piano marked in plain figures. Every figure is right. Every piano worth what the figures say. Before you buy you will visit our store and see our pianos. This will convince you that you can do better here than elsewhere.

Sherman, Clay & Co.
Opposite Postoffice.
A. B. CHASE PLAYER-PIANOS

SOAPS SOAPS

6 bars Naptha Soap	25¢
13 bars Laundry Soap	25¢
8 bars D. C. Soap	25¢
6 bars Fairy Soap	25¢
3-bar box Toilet Soap	10¢
6 full pound bars Laundry Soap	25¢

MASON JARS

Pints, per dozen	60¢
Quarts, per dozen	70¢
Half-gallons, per dozen	90¢
6 pounds Navy Beans	25¢
9 pounds Prunes	25¢
1-lb. can Ground Chocolate	30¢
Monarch Gloss Starch, pkg.	5¢
2 lbs. Half Cream Cheese	25¢
1 pound Shredded Cocoanut	15¢
Durkee's Pure Spices, can	5¢
3 cans Tomatoes	25¢
2 glasses Chipped Beef	25¢
3 cans Corn	25¢
Comb Honey	10¢
3 glasses Jelly	25¢
Carnation Cream, 3 for	25¢
1 lb. Monarch Coffee 25c, 1 lb. Cut Loaf Sugar FREE with Every Pound	
Carnation Cream, dozen	95¢
3 pkgs. Hardwood Toothpicks	10¢
Force, package	10¢
4 pounds Head Rice	25¢
4 LBS. SAGO OR TAPIOCA	25¢
3 bottles any kind Extract	25¢
3 packages Jell-O	25¢
Crescent Corn Flakes, pkg.	5¢
3 bottles Vinegar	25¢
3 rolls Toilet Paper	10¢
3 packages Toothpicks	10¢
Ranch Eggs, dozen	30¢
Good Eggs, dozen	25¢
1 pound Ghirardelli's Ground Chocolate	30¢
3 packages Macaroni	25¢

THE HOUSE OF ECONOMY AND UTMOST SATISFACTION

Hire's Root Beer Extract	20¢
4 pounds strip Codfish	25¢
Blueing, bottle	5¢

BEST CREAMERY BUTTER, 60c ROLL

FREE BASKET WITH EVERY $3.00 ORDER

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PEOPLE'S
THE ORIGINAL CASH STORE

COFFEE In our "Grand Special" blend we offer a drink that is rarely duplicated for flavor and wholesomeness by other dealers, even in their 35c and 40c grades. It is fresh roasted, and comes to you fresh from the roaster daily. We suggest that you try a pound, and, if it is not all we claim it to be, the purchase price will cheerfully be refunded.

Special Brand Flour, $1.10 Sack, $4.25 Bbl.

VEGETABLES

2 pounds Fresh Tomatoes	15¢
2 pounds String Beans	15¢
2 Hothouse Cucumbers	5¢
15 pounds new Spuds	25¢
10 pounds Dry Onions	25¢

17 lbs. Sugar $1

Mt. Hood Washing Powder, same as Gold Dust, 2 for	35¢
Beef Extract, "Coin Special," regular 45c jar	25¢
3 bottles Catsup	25¢
3 bottles Stuffed Olives	25¢
Ammonia	5¢
2 2-lb. cans Corned Beef	25¢
2 lbs. Roast Beef	15¢
1000 Matches	5¢
4 pkgs. Seeded Raisins	25¢
2 pk. Purity Washing Powd.	5¢
2 pkgs. 5-Minute Mush	15¢
Kingsbury's Marmalade, jar.	20¢
Full Cream Cheese, pound	15¢
3-lb. can Plums	10¢
2 cans Pineapple	25¢
3 sacks Salt	10¢
1 English pint home-made Chowchow	25¢
3 cans Salmon	25¢
Baker's Cocoa	20¢
MINCED CLAMS Large Size	10c
All package Crackers	20¢
Pioneer Cream, 3 for	25¢
Pioneer Cream, per dozen	95¢
Five double Sheets Tanglefoot Fly paper	10¢
5 dozen Clothes Pins	5¢
1 lb. any kind of 50c Tea	25¢
Sanitarium Nut Butter, in glass	25¢
Monkey Soap, same as Sapolio	5¢
4 lbs. Dried Apples	25¢
Saturday only, 1 gallon "Karo" Syrup	40¢

SPECIAL BROOM SALE

30c Brooms	20¢
40c Brooms	30¢
50c Brooms	40¢