ROSE FESTIVAL A GREAT TRIUMPH

Portland Gives a "Hundred Thousand Dollar" Show for $34,000.

MANY LIBERAL DONATIONS

President Hoyt Reviews the Great Undertaking and Lays Stress Upon Valuable Publicity Secured for the City.

NEW ORLEANS MAN, WHO HAS SEEN EVERY MARDI GRAS, CONGRATULATES PORTLAND.

PORTLAND, June 12.—(To the Editor.)—I am a stranger in your city, having arrived here May 17. My home is New Orleans, having lived there for 22 years, and I have witnessed every carnival or "Mardi Gras" during that time, except one—which was last February. I feel that I am competent to judge carnival parades, as I am from the carnival city, which has no equal in the United States. I wish to congratulate the progressive citizens of Portland on their different parades during the Rose Festival this week. They were all good, and reflect credit on the promoters. It shows conclusively there is some "ginger" in Portland. Again I congratulate the citizens.

JOHN E. PENN.

Portland's third annual Rose Festival, which passed into history last night, proved a week of triumph for those who designed and carried it out, for its achievements stand without a parallel among public endeavors of like character in the West.

The wonder of it all is that the hundreds of thousands who witnessed the gorgeous spectacles were willing to accept the frequently heard statement that it was a "$100,000 show," while as a matter of fact President Ralph W. Hoyt, in a moment of retrospection, last night announced that the total amount of money subscribed for the celebration was a trifle below $34,000. The Festival Association will not face a deficit, says Mr. Hoyt, if all subscriptions are collected.

Aside from arranging and carrying out the elaborate programme of Festival events, the organization contributed substantially to the success of the Rose Show, to the East Side celebration and to a number of other events which helped to round out the bill.

Gifts Kept Down Cost.

"If we had been obliged to pay for everything," said President Hoyt last night, "we could not have given the show we did for a cent under $100,000, but the public confidence shown and the support given to the management made it possible to plan and consummate a week of entertainment for such a surprisingly low figure. And for this the Festival has a number of loyal-hearted organizations to thank. These include clubs, bodies, orders and societies which pitched in with lusty good-will to assist in making a success of the stupendous undertaking.

"I feel certain that this Festival has proved a powerful instrument of exploitation. The publicity which our own local press has given it stands as a monument to the public spiritedness of the Portland newspapers. The Associated Press and other news agencies have been staunch friends of the Festival. The great transcontinental railroad systems not only gave freely of money, but it is a positive fact that if we had undertaken to purchase at advertising rates the National and international publicity which these roads have given us gratis it would have cost us hundreds of thousands of dollars, if, indeed, we could have reached such avenues of exploitation at all.

Northwest Press Thanked.

"The entire press of the Northwest extended us courtesies which we could scarcely hope for, yet it was done with a royal good-will and unstintedly. We inaugurated a system of publicity which was extremely effective, and one which put us under no financial obligations whatever. We kept in closest touch with any and all of our citizens who planned trips throughout the East or to foreign lands during the year; we gave them official credentials of the Festival, named them as ambassadors for our celebration, supplied them with an abundance of literature and the result was that we had throughout a greater part of the civilized world an active working force that made the Portland Rose Festival known everywhere and furnished us with an infinite variety of helpful suggestions from similar celebrations the world over.

"It was no small achievement to bring here the officers of the Japanese cruiser squadron, for Portland was the only city visited by them where they did not moor their ships. The Pacific Coast tour of the Chicago Association of Commerce was timed so that these industrial chiefs, financiers and merchant kings could be in Portland during the Rose Festival. Other distinguished bodies of men and individuals were brought here for our celebration.

Few Stood Purse Burden.

"The response of the public to our appeal for funds was good so far as it went, but it was by no means universal. The burden was borne by a very few, comparatively speaking. I would suggest that some plan be devised for next year's Festival whereby the financial assistance be divided more generally.

"As a part of our equipment for effective endeavor we secured the services of sculptors, designers and floatbuilders, who for years have done the work for the New Orleans Mardi Gras and for the "Veiled Prophet" at St. Louis, indicating that Portland had the best talent to be had in America. The electrical p[illegible]nts bespeak this. As another hint for the future I would suggest that a great industrial parade be arranged, which will give the large mercantile and other concerns an opportunity to display the evidences of their enterprise and industry.

"Boundless credit must be given the many cities and towns of the Northwest which built and entered floats for the 'Spirit of the Golden West' procession. There were some complaints as to the routing of the various parades, but it would not be reasonable to expect no criticism would be made. Last year any number of complaints were made by the public because the street-car traffic was paralyzed so badly during the parades that they were unable to get down town to witness the pageants. We had only one thought in mind in mapping out the routes this year, and that was the convenience and accommodation of the public. We worked out our lines of march with the street railway company, which gave us by all odds the largest individual contribution and assisted us in a multitude of ways. It was deemed best, therefore, to consult with the streetcar officials in the matter of routes, so that the service be not crippled any more than was necessary, and we feel that the public will approve of what we did in this respect, for certainly no other celebration of any size has ever been carried out with freer movement of passenger traffic.

Traffic Veins Free.

"This was brought about by keeping open all leading arteries of traffic and by keeping clear all prominent central transfer points. At the same time we instructed all clubs which had any part in handling parades to see that their processions passed the greatest possible number of business houses.

"Another point that should be mentioned is the intrinsic value of such features as the electrical pageants and the 'Spirit of the Golden West' parade. They are not dependent upon the uncertainty of the rose season. It so happened that the weather and the rose season coincided ideally, but that may not occur again, and that is why we laid so much stress on bringing to perfection the finest illuminated parades of the week.

"It will be impossible for us to thank personally or by letter all persons and organizations, who assisted in making the Festival so great a success this year, so I hope they will accept this as an acknowledgment of our deep and sincere gratitude to them for what they did. The celebration this year shows that the possibilities of the Festival idea are absolutely unlimited, that bigger and better celebrations can be given from year to year, and this is the high aim that Portland should always have. It is not all sentiment, for in its largest significance the Festival has a great, almost immeasurable, value in upbuilding our city. And I would like to say that the loyalty and support of the people of Portland have been a constant source of inspiration in all that the Festival management has undertaken. Without this we should have failed."

PRESIDENT OF ROSE FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION, WHO BROUGHT THE BIG UNDERTAKING TO A SUCCESSFUL CLOSE.

RALPH W. HOYT.

The success of the Portland Rose Festival is due in a large measure to Ralph W. Hoyt, president of the Portland Rose Festival Association. Mr. Hoyt, himself, would no doubt enter a modest disclaimer to this statement and give the credit to his loyal associates. The fact is nevertheless that the great success of the present Festival is due to Mr. Hoyt's executive ability and tireless energy. Mr. Hoyt is a busy man and has served the Rose Festival Association for almost an entire year gratuitously and at a sacrifice of both time and money. The presidency of the association is not a bed of roses. Mr. Hoyt's patience, tact and diplomacy have been severely tested at times and his only reward is the satisfaction that the big undertaking has come to a close amid the applause of the citizens of Portland and thousands of visitors.

WOMAN THIEF PARDONED

Governor Benson Frees Mrs. Emma Skiddy, County Jail Prisoner.

Mrs. Emma Skiddy, serving a five months' sentence in the County Jail for larceny, was pardoned by Governor Benson yesterday. Mrs. Skiddy was arrested more than two months ago with Gladys Frazier for stealing $190 from a man in an automobile. They were each given one year in the Municipal Court. Mrs. Skiddy appealed her case to the Circuit Court, where the sentence was reduced to five months. She then enlisted the aid of friends to obtain a pardon.

STOLEN JEWELS RECOVERED

Loot From Nevada Store Found Buried Near Lonely Tree.

ELY, Nev., June 12.—The diamonds and other precious stones valued at $1500 which were stolen two weeks ago from Clark & Linskog's jewelry store by men who tunneled under the building have been recovered. They were found inclosed in a canvas sack and buried near a tree in Murray Canyon, about 10 miles from this city. William Hussey and C. Larson are under arrest on suspicion of having been connected with the robbery.

Better Car Service to Oregon Electric People.

The Portland Railway, Light & Power Company has placed cars in service to run from the west entrance of the old Madison-street bridge, on Front and Madison streets, to First and Burnside streets. The signs on these cars will read "Oregon Electric Railway Depot." This new service will be greatly appreciated by patrons of the electric line, as it will bring car service within one block of the Front and Jefferson-street depot. Passengers boarding these cars at Front and Madison streets will be transferred to any line in the city. ••

Invitations Out for Recital.

William Wallace Graham, the well-known violinist, is sending out invitations for a recital to be given at the First Presbyterian Church the night of June 30, when Ward Alden, one of his pupils of exceptional promise, will be presented. A number of Portland musicians will assist.

NEW SERVICE SOON

Harriman Lines Preparing to Enter Seattle.

SETTLE GATEWAY QUESTION

With Present Facilities Travelers Will Have Choice of Six Trains Daily Between Portland and Sound Metropolis.

Details for the new Union Pacific and Southern Pacific service between Seattle and Portland are now being worked out and it is expected by local railroad men that a definite announcement will be issued within a short time.

At the O. R. & N. general offices it was stated yesterday that it was expected the new trains would be put on the Seattle run soon after the inauguration of the Portland-San Francisco limited service. While nothing definite is known at this time it is believed probable that the Shasta Limited will be running through to Seattle early in July if not sooner.

If this is decided upon the Southern Pacific train would leave here for Seattle about 10 P. M. and arrive in Seattle in the early morning. Returning it would leave Seattle about 10 A. M., arrive in Portland about 5 P. M. and leave for San Francisco at 6 P. M. The first Shasta Limited train will leave Portland June 22 and San Francisco two days earlier.

It is also expected that one of the Union Pacific trains will run through to Seattle, but nothing whatever is yet known in Portland as to this schedule.

The inauguration of this new service will settle the Portland gateway controversy without the intervention of the courts. It is believed in the local railroad world that the Northern Pacific will not press the injunction proceedings instituted by it and which are now holding up the Interstate Commerce Commission order opening the gateway.

Unless the placing of two Harriman trains on the Portland-Seattle run causes the Northern Pacific to reduce its service, which is not looked upon as probable, the new service will give travelers the choice of six trains each way daily between the two cities. The Northern Pacific is now running four trains each way daily and all are said to be doing a heavy business.

It was definitely stated yesterday that the putting on of the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific trains would not be withheld pending the double tracking of the road, but would take place early this Summer.

Corey Is Recovering.

PALAISEAU, France, June 12.—William E. Corey, president of the United States Steel Corporation, who was injured in an automobile accident near here Thursday, was able to leave his room today. M. Godilleau, the manager of Mr. Corey's French estate, who was also injured in the accident, has shown great improvement.

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CHARTER IS HARDEST HIT

Measure Making It Easy to Discharge Inefficient Civil Service Employes Is Carried by Decisive Majority.

AUDITOR'S COUNT PROVES ACCURACY OF OREGONIAN'S ELECTION FIGURES.

Official count of the votes cast for Mayor last Monday show that Joseph Simon, Republican, received a total of 8966. This is a majority for him of 181 votes over the votes of his opponents combined. This illustrates to a nicety the exceptionally accurate figures compiled by The Oregonian through its system of election returns. Tuesday night at 9 o'clock The Oregonian's count was completed and gave Simon a majority of 174 votes—only seven votes different than the official count, completed yesterday by City Auditor Barbur. When it is understood that these figures have to be gathered from 90 precincts, and that there was an unusually long and complicated ballot this year, it will be seen that The Oregonian's count was remarkably accurate.

City Auditor Barbur's force yesterday morning completed the count of the vote on 20 amendments and ordinances proposed at last Monday's election. Of all the propositions checked up the commission plan of city government fared worst. It was literally "snowed under." Nearly all of the proposed amendments were beaten, including one to abolish the Park, Water and Health Boards.

The proposed amendment placing the burden of proof on discharged employes under the classified civil service lists was carried by a good majority. This is considered to be an excellent improvement over the present system, as it has been next to impossible to dispose of incompetents in the city service. It is frequently very difficult to prove cases in a formal trial, when it is a matter of common knowledge that an accused employe should be dismissed. While the power to discharge for incompetency is now given to department heads, the rules for entering the service are equally stringent, and no favoritism can be shown, it is declared by those who believe in civil service reform.

The official count on the measures is as follows:

Commission charter—Yes, 4969, no 10,670.

Alternative amendment providing for payment of cost of installing water mains out of the water fund—Yes 7927, no 6825. (This is ineffective, because it depended upon the adoption of the charter.

City advertising—Yes 5469, no 9025.

Creating office of electrical inspector, etc.—Yes 6543, no 8466.

Compelling franchise holders to make regular report—Yes 10,382, no 4444.

Women's auxiliary to the police department—Yes 8048, no 7017.

Purchase of bonded warrants—Yes 5853, no 8687.

Authorizing deposits of city funds in banks capitalized at $50,000 and more—Yes 7340, no 6983.

Deposit of surplus city funds on receipt of indemnity bonds—Yes 5401, no 6471.

Excluding certain officials from the civil service rules—Yes 5677, no 8464.

Enabling heads of departments to discharge for cause employes appointed under civil service—Yes 8461, no 6277.

Authorizing the appointment of a deputy clerk for police court—Yes 5392, no 9198.

Making Auditor clerk of veiwers' committee—Yes 9112, no 5171.

Authorizing Auditor to withhold warrants —Yes 8664, no 5346.

Rededication of streets—Yes 7553, no 5845.

Providing that when Council shall have provided for street improvement the city shall be deemed to have appropriated earth above street grade within street lines—Yes 7549, no 6653.

Providing for bonding of assessments for sewers—Yes 7892, no 6005.

Providing for increase of rate of interest to be charged for delinquent assessments—Yes 4011, no 9950.

Providing that acceptance of improvements by city shall be conclusive proof that same is done acording to plans—Yes 6419, no 6750.

Providing for abolition of boards—Yes 6411, no 8108.

DENIES DYNAMITE PLOT

C. C. Vaughn Accused by Wife of Intention to Destroy Rival's Office.

C. C. Vaughn, real estate dealer, who was arrested Wednesday night for hitting Robert Dunkle with a gaspipe and rearrested on complaint of Dunkle on a charge of assault with intent to kill, denied during his preliminary examination in the Municipal Court yesterday morning that he bought dynamite to blow up the offices of rival realty dealers at Fairview, where he is interested. Vaugnn's wife declared she discovered the explosive under the sidewalk and stowed it away in the basement. Instructions have been given Fire Chief Campbell to take charge of the dynamite.

Vaughn was bound over to the grand jury on the assault charge under $1000 bonds, which he was unable to furnish.

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Wallowa Boosters Boost.

WALLOWA, Or., June 12.—(Special.)—The Wallowa Booster Club has ordered 5000 pamphlets descriptive of this vicinity for distribution in exploiting the resources of this vicinity.

SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE

GERMAN AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY

of New York, in the State of New York, on the 31st day of December, 1908, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Capital.	
Amount of capital paid up in cash	$ 1,500,000.00
Income.	
Premiums received during the year in cash	$ 6,836,780.88
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	578,462.94
Income from other sources received during the year	8,129.79
Total income	$ 7,423,373.61
Disbursements.	
Losses paid during the year	$ 3,811,265.51
Dividends paid during the year on capital stock	460,000.00
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	1,862,686.18
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	155,466.71
Amount of all other expenditures	463,121.55
Total expenditures	$ 6,731,939.95
Assets.	
Value of real estate owned	$ 1,650,133.51
Value of stock and bonds owned	11,035,981.00
Loans and mortgages and collateral, etc	206,071.49
Cash in banks and on hand	1,169,045.32
Total admitted assets	$ 14,797,977.83
Liabilities.	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	$ 610,044.24
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	6,686,709.48
Due for commission and brokerage	41,715.30
All other liabilities	482,254.58
Total liabilities	$ 7,829,724.20
Total insurance in force December 31, 1908	$1,284,581,944.00
Business in Oregon for the Year.	
Total risks written during the year	$ 5,152,592.00
Gross premiums received during the year	106,078.41
Premiums returned during the year	22,982.65
Losses paid during the year	28,812.30
Losses incurred during the year	41,940.30
Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1908	5,782,640.20

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