

# CHINA PARTY'S GOAL

### Commercial Bodies Send Excursion to Orient.

### SEEK BETTER RELATIONS

#### O. M. Clark Special Commissioner for Portland Chamber of Commerce on Trip—Will Not Return Until Next Year.

O. M. Clark, commissioner for the Portland Chamber of Commerce on the Oriental excursion of the associated commercial bodies of the Pacific Coast, accompanied by Mrs. Clark, left yesterday for San Francisco, where the party will embark next Tuesday on the steamer Korea for Shanghai and other Chinese ports.

The commissioners and their ladies will be welcomed by the Chinese government and by the commercial organizations of all the large cities of the empire, through which they will seek to foster closer trade relations between the far eastern country and Pacific Coast ports.

This excursion was planned as a result of a similar trip by representatives of the same organizations to Japan two years ago, which was one of the acknowledged factors in quieting the rumors of war between the United States and the empire of the Mikado. That excursion was closely followed by the visit of a party of Japan's leading merchants, headed by Baron Shibusawa, to Portland and other Pacific Coast points, and many of the Eastern cities.

The party of commissioners will be accompanied by two interpreters and a staff of clerks and stenographers. Minutes will be made of every proceeding in connection with the trip and records will be kept of the speeches and more informal remarks made at the banquets and other gatherings at which the Americans are honored guests. It is the aim of the association to preserve these records for future reference, and to guide in their subsequent trade with the Chinese cities.

But the particular use to which the clerks will be put will be in compiling information on the individual needs of the various Chinese cities. In this way business men on the Pacific Coast will be enabled, in the future, to direct their attentions solely to those lines in which their prospective customers are interested, and thereby secure results with the least possible effort and without unnecessary correspondence. In the past some trouble has been experienced on the coast in their Chinese trade on account of lack of knowledge of conditions there.

If the Chinese trip is as successful as the Japanese excursion, Pacific Coast business men will be well pleased. The question of making these visits periodical has already been considered. Besides promoting pleasant trade relations the Japanese trip has fostered a friendly social attitude between the people of the two countries. This has gradually grown, especially since the return visit.

While in China the delegates will invite the Chinese merchants to visit this country, either individually or in a body. It is said that a movement is already on foot among the leading Chinese traders to pay a return visit to America some time next year, and to extend their journey to New York and Washington.

Mr. Clark expects to return to Portland with the other members of the commission early next year, when he will be prepared to submit a report to the Chamber of Commerce.

This trip will include brief stays at Honolulu on both the Western and return journeys.

## MEMORIAL IS PLANNED

### PASTOR CALLED FOR PROPOSED ATKINSON CHURCH.

#### Pioneer Congregational Minister to Be Honored—Site for Edifice Is Already Secured.

In commemoration of the lifework of Rev. George H. Atkinson, who devoted untiring efforts to the religious and educational uplift of the "Oregon country," there is to be built in Portland a memorial church under the auspices of the Congregational Home Missionary Society of Multnomah County. The site has been acquired and is at East Everett and East Twenty-ninth streets. Rev. Mr. Crocker, assistant to Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Little, of Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., has accepted the call to be the first pastor, and is expected to arrive in Portland about September 15.

Rev. Mr. Atkinson was a prominent figure in the early history of Oregon. He was many-sided. He possessed not only great religious fervor, but was energetic and vigorous in fostering the industrial growth of the entire Northwest. He was the first minister sent west of the Rocky Mountains by the Congregational Home Missionary Society. From his arrival in Oregon City, June 16, 1848, to the time of his death, Dr. Atkinson took an active part in the development of the state. His death was the inspiration of an editorial written by the late Harvey W. Scott, which said in part:

"In all the industries of life Dr. Atkinson was foremost, and active in the growth of the Kingdom of God. He recognized it, as a demand of this, our mortal life, that human energy should exert itself in every direction to promote the growth of mind and soul and as one of his large ideas was to refine, to spiritualize and to exalt the multiplying activities and efforts called forth in the endless differentiation of modern life."

Therefore, throughout all his ceaseless work for education, for morals, for religion, for the Kingdom of God and the soul, the many-sided man was among the most earnest and active to press to those who press the advantages of developing the natural resources of the Northwest. . . . He showed how the natural conditions of the country would be modified by human agency, as the industry of man came in as a reinforcement to the operations of nature. The elaborate articles published by him on this subject many years ago, read now in their fulfillment, would be a record of prescience and forecast every way remarkable, and certainly without parallel here.

All the work, as all the work of his life was done without ostentation, without any kind of study to produce startling effects. He was a plain, simple and practical man, who harbored no visionary ideas, from whom no indirect attentions escaped, whose speech and action harmonized always with a quiet, yet firm demeanor. He feared God and he feared man. This tribute is one of many others paid

to Dr. Atkinson by the pioneers who worked and suffered with him.

Up to the present time funds are not sufficient to pay for the building of an edifice such as is desired to dedicate to Dr. Atkinson's memory, and an appeal is being made to the public to contribute to the cause. Those who plan to give pledges may send their offerings either to E. A. Stanton, 268-2 Abington building, or to Rev. D. B. Gray, 503 Marshall street, Portland.

## FAIR QUEEN VOTING OPENS

### Many Clackamas County Young Women Enter Race.

OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—The voting contest for the queen to preside over the county fair to be held by the Clackamas County Fair Association at Canby on September 25, 26 and October 1 will be started on Monday morning at 9 o'clock. The ballot boxes are to be found at the drug stores of L. E. Jones, G. A. Harding and at Huntley Bros. Company. The queen is to be presented with a beautiful robe and will be seated on a throne especially constructed for her. The contest will close at 6 o'clock on September 24, the votes to be sold at 1 cent each. Any young woman in the County of Clackamas is entitled to enter the race.

The public coronation will take place at the fair grounds on September 25. The following young women have been mentioned for queen:

Miss Grace Marshall, Miss Eva Aldredge, Miss Margaret Brown, Miss Edith Jackson, Miss Beryl Lane, Miss Kathryn Sinnott, Miss Minnie Sebaste, Miss Alice Lewthwaite, Miss Clara Mitchell, Miss Eleanor Williams of Oregon City; Miss Ivah Harrington and Miss Ada Hulbert, of Gladstone; Miss Myrtle Holmes, of Parkplace; Miss Mabel Morse, of Jennings Lodge; Miss Josie Curran, of Estacada; Miss Edna King, of Mount Pleasant; Miss Olivia Johnson, Miss Sarah, of Milwaukie; Miss Clara, of Miss Hazel Hingate, Miss Mamie Cutting and Miss Zella Adams, of Molalla; Miss Nellie Taylor, of Hubbard; Miss Ora Lee, Miss Pearl Hampton, Miss Cora Sandness, of Canby.

## TRAIN SERVICE IMPROVES

### Enterprise Will Soon Have Exclusive Passenger Cars on Route.

ENTERPRISE, Or., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—J. H. O'Neil, representing the passenger department of the O. R. & N. railway, was in Enterprise until a day ago, inquiring of the public sentiment relative to the putting on of an exclusive passenger service on the branch line between Joseph and La Grande.

As a result, it is practically assured that the O. R. & N. will run an exclusive passenger train daily between the points mentioned, in addition to the freight trains required to handle the increasing amount of freight.

The grain shipped alone from this point have increased within the past year, or increased this year over last, by nearly fifty per cent. Aside from the regular passenger train daily, there will be run by the O. R. & N. a special train during the Willows County Fair, held at Enterprise, beginning September 25. The railroad also has generously promised, through its representative, to advertise the fair from Baker City to Pendleton.

Owing to the increased settlement and production of the county, and the increased transportation facilities here, the fifth annual fair promises to be of wide importance to all Eastern Oregon.

## PARENTS TREAT GIRL WELL

### Father Says Young Man Induced His Daughter to Run Away.

According to statements made by E. M. Royce, of this city, yesterday, his daughter, Hazel Royce, who ran away from home last week, was not mistreated by her parents, but was persuaded to go to San Francisco by Earl Crowley, a young man who had been paying her a good deal of attention. Hazel Royce is now held by detectives of San Francisco, who intercepted her on the arrival of the steamer Beaver Wednesday on telegraphic advices from her father. "It is absolutely untrue that my wife and I mistreated our daughter," said Mr. Royce. "On the contrary we did everything we could to make it pleasant for her. This Earl Crowley, with whom she went to San Francisco, has tried twice before to induce her to leave home. When he first came to our house we had no objection to him, but later we did not care to have our daughter know him. Hazel is only 16 years old, not 18. Also she has no sister living in California. We learned that she had gone away when my wife discovered that she had taken most of her clothes out of the house the afternoon before she left."

Mr. Royce is engineer for Olds, Wortman & King, not a real estate dealer, as has been said.

## CHAMBERLAIN HAS DENIAL

### Senator, While Governor, Did Not Parole Ernest Lane.

"It was not I who paroled Ernest Lane, the 'pink domino,'" said Senator George E. Chamberlain yesterday. "I am under the impression that it was done by Governor Benson, as I refused to take any action in the matter, and told the friends of the boy that I thought he was better off in jail."

No reference of the request for parole was made to the District Attorney's office here, according to the records of the office.

## BECKERS SUIT HOUSE.

Monday—Ladies' Tailored Suits in brown, gray, navy and black; mannish cloth, semi-fitting jackets; plaid skirts and well-tailored; worth \$25. Your choice \$18.75. 146 Fifth st. "

## Livestock Fair Gets Rates.

Excursion rates amounting for the round trip to one and one-third times one-way fares have been announced by the O. R. & N. and Southern Pacific lines for a livestock show in Portland next month. The rates will apply on the O. R. & N. from all points in Oregon and Washington south of Riparian. Tickets will be sold from points east of The Dalles on September 8 only, but from The Dalles and points west on September 8 and 9. On the Southern Pacific line tickets will apply from Astoria and all points north to Portland. South of Roseburg the sale date will be September 6, and at Roseburg and north thereof on September 6 and 7.

## Faithful Horse Makes Last Trip.

SEASIDE, Or., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—The faithful old horse "Hercules," which has drawn Sam Lee's clam wagon for the past 10 years, is no more. Sam started on his daily trip last night to the clam beach, eight miles north of here, and proceeded as usual until just after fording the mouth of the Necanicum River. Then the horse laid down and was unable to rise again. The horse has been service for over 20 years.

A healthy horse eats nine times its weight in food during a year.

# A Genuine Sale of GRAND PIANOS

## AT Eilers Music House

## AUDITORIUM ON WAY

### Tuesday Will See United Effort of Business Men for Plan.

## "LIVE WIRES" BACK MOVE

### Powerful Actor in Enterprise for City Is Association of Women's Clubs—Individuals and Firms Ready to Aid Movement.

An effort will be made at a meeting to be held at the Commercial Club next Tuesday afternoon to unite all of the movements now aiming to secure a new auditorium for Portland into one working, practical, progressive unit. Since the auditorium idea was first suggested three or four separate, well-meaning organizations have attempted to promote the movement. While all of these were seeking the same end they were working along different, independent lines. Sooner or later, it was feared, these forces were likely to drift apart and create a lack of harmony. To forestall any such unpleasant situation the meeting was called. The prime movers in the auditorium project are the "Live Wires" of the Commercial Club, who are planning to systematically conduct the campaign for a municipal building, beginning with a campaign intended to encourage the taxpayers to ask for an issue of bonds by the city to pay for the structure. Another powerful factor in the enterprise is the association of women's

clubs, who have had one of their agents travel through the country to obtain information from other cities that have built auditoriums. They have procured some funds and have considered the matter of raising the money to pay for the building by popular subscription. Some of the city authorities have had the subject under consideration, in an unofficial way, and many citizens have suggested to them the necessity of erecting the building.

It is said that a number of private individuals and firms are ready and willing to advance funds to put up the auditorium or to build and operate it as a private institution, agreeing to offer its use to the city or to any public organization on certain terms.

It seems, however, that the people generally favor the municipal ownership scheme, and C. C. Craig, president of the "Live Wires," who has called the meeting for next Tuesday, says that his efforts and those of his associates will be directed toward having the meeting declare itself in favor of this method of building and operating the hall.

Prominent Men at Meeting. The "Live Wires" will be represented at the meeting by its executive committee, of which Harvey O'Bryan, C. C. Colt, F. F. Barber, J. R. Wetherbee, William McMurray, C. C. Craig and others are members.

Invitations have been extended to all others who are interested in the auditorium project to attend. It is aimed to have every interest represented. Some of the city officials will also be urged to attend. "There is no need for three or four organizations or individuals to work along different lines and independent of each other to accomplish the same purpose," said "Live Wire" Craig yesterday. "We did not know, when we undertook to promote the scheme, that anyone else was actively engaged in the efforts to secure an auditorium. As soon as we learned of it we decided to call the meeting. We want harmony and co-operation. I think our meeting next Tuesday will result in a united effort on the part of everyone interested and with all of us working together our favorite enterprise will soon develop into a reality."

## DIAMOND RAID BIG

### Selling Store Safe Robbery Is Mystery.

## JEWELS OF GREAT VALUE

### Friday Night Theft Puzzles Clothing House Employes and Detectives Put on Case—Custom to Keep Vault Unlocked, Says One.

Diamonds of an unstated value, but supposed to amount well into the thousands, were lost Friday night from a safe in the store of Ben Selling at Fourth and Morrison streets and the loss was not discovered until yesterday morning when the cashier opened the cash drawer of the safe and noticed that a number of small coins were missing. His suspicions were at once aroused and a hurried search revealed that three fine diamond sets, \$48 in good money and three counterfeit \$1 bills had been removed from the safe. The detectives have established the fact that every access from the street to the store was closed and that entrance had not been forced. They have adopted the theory that the job was an "inside" one; that the theft was committed either by someone who has access to the store or by outside thieves who concealed themselves in the place before the store was closed. Whoever took the jewels made his egress from the third story by tearing off boards and getting into a corridor

which leads to the Cosmos rooming-house, adjoining the store. No clew to the identity of the thieves has yet been discovered. Benjamin Wing, the bookkeeper, who discovered the loss, says that it has been the custom to leave the safe unlocked, even though it contained valuable articles. —Mr. Selling left Friday

for New York. In his absence, Wing is the only one who has a key to the store, and he declares that he is confident that every one was out of the place when he closed the store. He is also confident that the jewels were in the safe when he left it. President Buchanan possessed \$200,000.

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