

CLASSIFICATION FOR BROOMS PROTESTED

Discrimination in Favor of Buggy Whip Sample Trunks Charged.

LOSS IS DECLARED RESULT

Railroad Defense Before Interstate Commerce Commissioner Is That Broom Cases Are Harder to Transport.

That the railroads are discriminating against brooms in favor of buggy whip samples was the substance of a complaint which was heard before Utrass Butler, examiner for the Interstate Commerce Commission, in the Federal building yesterday.

The case was brought by the Portland Chamber of Commerce in behalf of E. J. Co. manufacturers of brooms. Testimony was given to the effect that the carriers recently promulgated new baggage regulations, which prohibit the acceptance as baggage of brooms in trunks that cannot be packed in tiers in baggage cars.

A broom salesman's sample case comes under the classification of "break" baggage, as the cases are thick at one end and taper toward the other end where the handle is contained.

Two Trunks Now Required. Don J. Zan, one of the complainants, testified that the present regulations would require the broom manufacturers to handle their sample brooms in two separate units—one unit containing the broom proper and the other the handle. This, he declared, would be inconvenient for the salesman, a disadvantage in selling and a heavy economic loss.

By carrying the brooms intact it is possible to realize at least 75 per cent of their value. William C. McCulloch, attorney for the Chamber of Commerce, pointed out that under the new regulations the railroads succeed in shipping brooms containing buggy whip samples without restrictions, and showed by illustrations that the buggy whip cases are heavier than broom cases. He asked for a reclassification to place broom cases with the regularly accepted baggage.

G. L. Bevington, Chicago, chairman of the transportation Passenger Association, and secretary of the Transcontinental Baggage Association, represented the carriers.

The complainants introduced, through A. J. Farrington, rate schedules showing that lumber is the only commodity for which the Southern Railway rates a differential of four cents on California shipments over the Valley mill.

The case of Page & Son against the transcontinental carriers also was heard yesterday. The complainant shipped to Portland, but the shipment was broken up and carried in several separate cars, upon which they had to pay the less-than-carload rate. Reparation is wanted.

The case of the Henry D. Davidson Lumber Company against the Northern Pacific and connecting lines, for forcing the wrong kind of equipment to move lumber, also was heard.

building on Tuesday night, November 23. In the Moore Hall the big event of the year will be staged Saturday night, December 4. The main event of the entertainment will be the grand battle royal between the "Jagtootes" and the "Du-Goon." The junior vice-commander, L. E. Beach, will command the "Society First" forces. Athletic stunts, singing and dancing numbers will precede the principal event. The banquet will follow the entertainment. The membership of the entire membership of Scout Young Camp, numbering 400 members strong, will be in attendance, augmented by delegations from the camps of Astoria, Hammond, Hillsboro,

RESIDENT OF SCIO DIES AT AGE OF 76 YEARS.



Mrs. Chastina E. Cleveland Rice, who died here November 16, was born at Oxbow, N. Y., September 15, 1839, and was married to David Rice at Quincy, Ill., July 1, 1858. They came to Oregon in 1859, settling at Lebanon and moved to Scio nine years ago. Mrs. Rice is survived by her husband and five children.

The funeral was held at Scio with interment in the Masonic Cemetery, McMinnville, Woodburn, Salem, Albany, Eugene, Vancouver and Corvallis.

MAX G. COHEN IS BACK

PAROLE GUARDIAN, JUDGE SANDERS—HOME, NEW YORK. Effort Continues to Secure Full Pardon for Conviction of Subornation of Perjury Charge.

Max G. Cohen, former attorney of Portland, just paroled from the Federal prison at McNeil's island, where he was serving a two-year term for subornation of perjury, returned to Portland Friday night. He declined yesterday to discuss his case.

He expressed thanks to Portland people who aided him in procuring his parole and said he had been paroled to Judge Sanders, of New York. Mr. Cohen will leave Portland tomorrow for the East. His future plans are somewhat uncertain, but it is likely that he will make his home in New York. Mrs. Cohen met her husband in Tacoma upon his release and accompanied him to Portland.

Max Cohen was convicted in Federal Court in June, 1913, on a charge of subornation of perjury. He had been committed during the trial of Jake Gronich for white slavery. It was alleged that Mr. Cohen, the man's attorney, induced Esther Wood, Gronich's wife, to testify falsely at the trial.

An appeal was taken to the Circuit Court of Appeals and to the United States Supreme Court at Washington. It was not until November, 1914, that Cohen was taken to prison to begin serving his sentence. An application for pardon was presented on his behalf and was granted by Gov. McNeil of Portland. Efforts are still being made to procure a full pardon for him.

Dallas High Mason Dies.

DALLAS, Or., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—The funeral services over the late Edward Hiddle, ex-Mayor of Dallas, who died in this city Monday, were held in the chapel of Chapman's undertaking parlors in this city yesterday afternoon, Jennings Lodge No. 3, A. F., and A. M., taking charge. Interment was in the Oddfellows' cemetery near Dallas. During his lifetime Mr. Hiddle was a very prominent member of the Masonic fraternity, and for one term was grand high priest for Oregon for the Royal Arch Masons. His loss is mourned by a great circle of friends.

TALENTED PIANIST WILL GIVE RECITAL AT HELIUM THEATER NEXT SUNDAY.

Beatrice Bierke, pianist, will give a recital at the Helium Theater, Sunday afternoon, November 21, at 3 o'clock. Her phenomena, which has been compared to Rosenthal and Josef Hoffman, enables her to concentrate her mind on the innermost meaning of the great compositions she is playing. Her velvet touch and deep sentiment in the playing of the Liszt, Tchaikowsky and Wagner numbers have won her the admiration of the greatest musicians of Europe," said a critic recently.

STATE'S VIEW OF SUNDAY CLOSING

Initiative Petitions Prepared and Campaign for Repeal of Law Planned.

CANVASS STARTS AT ONCE

Independent Retailers Believe Act of 1864, if Submitted to People, Would Be Beaten by Great Majority—Suit on Tomorrow.

Oregon's Sunday closing law, now before the Federal Court on a question of constitutionality, is to be submitted to the voters of the state next Fall under the initiative. Petitions asking the repeal of the act have been printed and will be circulated throughout the state commencing Tuesday morning.

The petition reads as follows: "We, the undersigned citizens and legal voters of the State of Oregon, respectfully demand that the initiative proposition be placed on the ballot for an act to repeal section 2123 of title XIX of Lord's Oregon Laws as compiled and annotated by William Paul Lord, which prohibits the opening any store, shop, grocery, bowling alley, billiard-room, etc., for the purpose of labor or traffic, or any place of amusement (except theaters), on the first day of the week (commonly called 'Sunday'), shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Oregon, for their approval or rejection, at the regular general election to be held on the 31st day of the month of November, 1916, or at any special election earlier than such as be held, and each for himself or herself says: 'I have personally signed this petition; I am a legal voter of the State of Oregon, and my residence and postoffice are correctly written after my name.'"

The Sunday closing law in question was passed by the Legislature in 1864 and was never repealed. It was resubmitted recently to force the holding of an organized election to be held on the 31st day of the month of November, 1916, or at any special election earlier than such as be held, and each for himself or herself says: 'I have personally signed this petition; I am a legal voter of the State of Oregon, and my residence and postoffice are correctly written after my name.'"

It is believed by those interested in the campaign that the law will be repealed by an overwhelming vote. The result of the petition vote on the 31st day of the month of November, 1916, is not a foregone conclusion. Sunday closing in Portland was overthrown by the voters of Portland under the referendum.

The next state election takes place in November, 1916. It is expected that the initiative will be submitted. Promoters of the plan say they expect no difficulty in getting the required number of names. A sufficient number of names will be obtained, it is printed to carry 100,000 signatures.

CITY EXPERT TO ADVISE

PRESIDENT ALBERT, OF INTERNATIONAL ROTARIANS, TO SPEAK. "Forces That Make Cities" Are to Be Discussed Before Chamber and at Local Club's Meeting.

When Allen D. Albert, president of the International Rotary Clubs, speaks at the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night on "Forces That Make Cities" his address will deal with the very lines of endeavor toward which Portland's business men have been concentrating their efforts and attention since the reorganization of the hamlet.

Dr. Albert will make his analysis of the conditions in Portland on the basis of his world-wide study of cities and a comparison of conditions here with those that prevail in other cities which he has investigated.

Dr. Albert holds that the great port of the world will always be inland as vessels can carry cargoes to the head of navigation cheaper than freight can be moved by rail.

CONSOLIDATION IS URGED

Bishop Cranston Urges That Methodist Churches Join. Consolidation of the two Methodist churches was the theme of the address given by Bishop Earl Cranston, formerly of Portland, but now stationed in Washington, D. C. The address was delivered at the convention of the churches given by 75 Portland Methodists, many of whom are old friends of Bishop Cranston's. T. R. McDaniel was toastmaster and Bishop E. J. Coe, a speaker.

government of doctrine. An amalgamation of the two Methodisms, the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church South, would be a demonstration of true Christian spirit.

Bishop Cranston explained how the amalgamation of the two churches had been effected in Japan, himself laying the foundation for such a consolidation in that country a number of years ago.

The membership of the Methodist Church in 1904 had been 4,000,000. The Methodist Church South, 2,000,000. Bishop Cranston averred that the reason that the consolidation had been effected was because the smaller body feared it might lose its identity.

MURRAY WADE SUING

DIVORCE AND CUSTODY OF 2-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER DESIRED. Salem Cartoonist Declares Wife's Temper Uncontrollable and Actions on Stage Disgraceful.

SALLEM, Or., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—Alleging that his wife's conduct in deserting him to become an actress, together with her abusive language, has caused him great humiliation, Murray Wade, cartoonist, today instituted proceedings in the Circuit Court for permanent custody of the couple's only daughter, Evelyn, aged 2 years. The child is now being cared for by the mother's mother, Mrs. Melinda Wade, of Salem.

Wade alleges that his wife deserted him in December, 1914, to go and live with a man whose name he does not give. He says that the defendant might improve her mental condition by study and be able to curb her terrible and uncontrollable temper.

"TRAMP" SOCIAL IS HELD

Dallas Christian Church Members Have Pleasant Evening. DALLAS, Or., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—A tramp social was held in the church last night in this city by the congregation of the Christian Church. All were guests and enjoyed the event. All were costumed as tramps. Leaving the church at 7:30 P. M., a visit was made to various parts of the city, where "tramp" was begged.

CHAUTAUQUA PICKS CHIEFS

Albany Association Completes Reorganization and Elects. ALBANY, Or., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—The Albany Chautauqua Association has completed its reorganization and has elected new officers.

Wallace Howe Lee, acting president of Albany College, is the new president. Dr. M. H. Ellis is vice-president; J. I. Tomlinson, secretary, and A. L. Fisher, treasurer. F. M. French continues as financial manager of the association.

STAGE LINE OWNER DIES

Ernest Gerber, 23, Falls to Recover Health in California. OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—Ernest Gerber, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Logan Gerber, died in California at 10 o'clock this morning, following an illness of a year, according to information received here by telegram.

OHIO GRADUATES TO MEET

Alumni Reunion Is Planned for November 26. Graduates of Ohio State University will hold a reunion at the home of Miss Ruth Grant, class of '64, at 203 Haselberg, Friday afternoon, Friday, November 26. All alumni of the State University, of which Miss Grant is a graduate, are welcomed to Miss Grant's home on that occasion.

JUNCTION CITY CLASS PLAY.

JUNCTION CITY, Or., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—The High School student-body play, "The Real Thing," a three-act comedy, to be given under the auspices of the drama club, will be presented December 19. H. Obersteuffer will direct the play. Members of the cast are: Blanche Hansen, Anna Murray, Fiacre Laurrelburg, James Henry, Mary Simmons, James Hughes, Harold Edwards, Effie Jorgensen, Neva Pattee and Edward Hays.

Yamhill Man Dead at San Diego.

M'INNIVILLE, Or., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—Bert Morgan, of Yamhill, was killed at San Diego, Cal., November 17, presumably a suicide. He had been drinking heavily. He was a member of a lodge at Yamhill and was well known throughout this county, formerly being in the livery business at Yamhill.

Distinguished Bostonians Receive Warm Words of Appreciation

EVERY ONE OF MANY CONNOISSEURS AND MUSIC-LOVERS WHO CALLS TO SEE OR HEAR THEM IS INVARIABLY DELIGHTED. We Call Attention to Some Superb Shipments of Genuine and Time-honored Chickering's just Received. The Chickering's

The Nation's supreme achievement in highest-grade piano-making. These Chickering's are without doubt the choicest that ever came to Portland. Baby grands and small parlor grands, also numerous Chickering uprights, Chickering artigraphic (electric), player pianos, including several duplicates of the superb Chickering's which won the medal of honor at the Eilers collective exhibit of ultra-modern musical instruments in the Palace of Liberal Arts at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition.

Professional musicians and music-lovers are cordially invited to inspect these beautiful pianos. Priced right, of course, under the well-known Eilers little-profit-per-piano policy.



All of these instruments are on sale at the above address. Meanwhile, the consolidation sale in all departments—Violins, Guitars, Mandolins, Ukuleles, etc., Sheet Music, Studies, etc., as well as dozens of different makes of finest Pianos and modern Player Pianos, all at reduced prices—is in progress here and also at Graves' Music Company, 147 4th street, near Morrison.

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There was a large list of disappointed concert-goers Sunday afternoon when Madame Kurt was unable to appear. It was stated that the cause of her absence was due to her press of work on account of the opening week of the opera. In view of the fact that Madame Kurt was not due to sing a new role, nor was she announced for a date before Thursday night, it seems too bad that Mrs. Strinsky's arrangements were compelled to be disturbed. The concert was given without soloists, and included Dvorak's "Fourth Symphony," Wagner's "Die Walkure," Tchaikowsky's "Romeo and Juliet," Grieg's "Elegiac Melodies," and Liszt's "Tasso."

Returning to the outlook at the Metropolitan for the coming season, it will be remembered that the season will be longer this year by four weeks than last of the season in the past. These last four weeks will be occupied by the Russian Ballet, of which brilliant things are expected. So far as the season is concerned, there seem to be three announced as yet. One of these is Borodin's "Prince Igor," which was announced for last season, but was given. Another is "Aida" to have the principal role.

Another complete novelty will be the opera "Goyescas," by Enrique Granados, whose name has been announced for New York by Ernest Schelling, and earlier by Harold Bauer. Songs by the same composer have been sung by Leon Bakst, who has been playing at the Metropolitan, to keep it out of the more severe lines.

Caruso was an appealing Samson from the opening to the close; particularly effective was his last act when he brings upon himself and upon Italian tenor, never so completely at home in French as in his own language, Ernest Gerber, that he had a handicap of any sort, as his voice was full of beauty, resonant and clear, and his histrionic treatment of the part had a power beyond that of most interpreters of this role.

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Not less impressive than the imperiousness of Caruso and Mme. Matzenauer in the title roles was Amato, the high priest. This great baritone who already has filled enough concert engagements to have arrived at a complete mastery of that beautiful and powerful voice never seemed more of a master, more powerful, more overwhelming in his art than upon this occasion. He made a comparatively small role one of the masterpieces of his repertory. The cast further included MM. Rother, Schlegel, Block, Reschigliani and Audisio, perhaps more than many of the operatic repertory. In this list the means to present Rother, who, if anybody may be mentioned in a class with Pavlova, is deserving of this distinction.

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The rest of the week brought forward old favorites such as Borodin's "Prince Igor" on Wednesday evening under direction of Polacco, with the usual cast, including Didur in the title role, Mmes. Ober, Delaunoy, Duchenne, Sparks and Matfield, MM. Althouse, Rother, Desgurola, Badt, Reschigliani, Rossi, Audisio, Schlegel and Block. Bodanzky, the new conductor of German operas, made his American debut on Thursday night in "Die Gotterdammerung" sung by Mmes. Kurt, Matzenauer, Julia Heinrich, Sparke, Fornia and Robeson and MM. Erlens, Well and Bran.



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Princetonville Gets Another Well. PRINCETONVILLE, Or., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—C. Sam Smith, of this city, is in the fifth addition to Princetonville. This makes the third artesian well in this place and the average depth to which the drillers go is 200 feet. Mr. Smith also will erect a fine Colonial cottage on his property.

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