

COUNTY FAIR AT GRESHAM CLOSES

Races, Baby Show and Canning Contest Awards Features of Final Day.

SPECIAL TROT IS FAST

Tillamook Maid Makes New Track Record in 2:13—Addison Bennett Has Hands Full in Picking Best Babies.

The harness and running races, closing of the canning contest and baby show, conducted by Addison Bennett, were the chief attractions at the County Fair grounds at Gresham yesterday, and marked the successful end of the 10th annual fair. Incidental to these came the launching of the candidacy of George W. Stapleton for Governor, as one result of his having won the burro race while riding "William Jennings Bryan." It was children's day, and the attendance was the record of the week.

In the afternoon the mixed pace and trot was the first on the racing programme and was witnessed by an enthusiastic crowd. The results were:

Oakland Moore	4	3	2
Lena Patch	1	1	1
Burwood	0	0	0
Sunny Jim	1	4	4
Charlie Mack	3	2	2

Time, first heat, 2:22; second, 2:22; third, 2:20.

There was a tie between Lena Patch and Charlie Mack, and another heat was trotted between them, Lena Patch being first and Charlie Mack second.

Fast Time Is Made.

In the free-for-all trot the record for time was broken in the first of the three heats, the time being 2:13, it being one of the best trots seen on the Gresham course. Tillamook Maid won in two heats. The results were:

Indian Hall	3	3
Tillamook Maid	1	1
J. C. B.	2	2
Hal Stewart	3	3

Time, first heat, 2:13; second, 2:16; third, 2:15.

The pony race was won by Billy, with Trixy second.

Mayor Stapleton was called to the race course by J. Werlein and presented with a tin horn and \$1 in honor of his having won a race while riding the famous burro, "William Jennings Bryan." Remarks were made by Judge R. R. Morrow and Frank Grant, and Mr. Stapleton was nominated formally for Governor.

Canning Contest Interests.

The canning contest which has attracted wide attention, conducted under the auspices of the extension course of the Oregon Agricultural College, resulted in the following:

Fairview School, 89% points out of possible 100; first place; Russellville School, second, with 82.5; Gresham School, third, with 80; Lynch School, fourth, with 80.5; Rockwood, fifth, with 78.

The complete standing of the schools by points was as follows:

Russellville—Team work, 18 points; skill, 17; speed, 16; neatness, 16.2-3; product, 17. Total, 84.2.
Gresham—Team work, 17; skill, 18; speed, 18; neatness, 18; product, 18. Total, 89.
Lynch—Team work, 17; skill, 18.5; speed, 19; neatness, 17; product, 14. Total, 80.5.
Rockwood—Team work, 12.2-3; skill, 14; speed, 14; neatness, 16; product, 16. Total, 70.4.
Fairview—Team work, 17; skill, 17.5; speed, 20; neatness, 18; product, 17. Total, 89.5.

The baby show resulted as follows:

For the prettiest baby under 1 year, premium won by Mrs. Sophia Hotvstedt, mother; best head of hair on baby under 1 year old went to Mrs. William Stanley, mother; smallest baby, won by baby of Mrs. Lulu Micklander; Mrs. Micklander's baby also took the prize for baby with best dark hair; best light head of hair, won by the baby of Mrs. George Hayden; baby of Mrs. Dee Lewis won prize for prettiest dark eyes. There were no prizes and some confusion, but Addison Bennett managed the affair successfully.

The total attendance of the week was not figured out yesterday by Secretary Gill, but it will run between 5000 and 6000. Manager H. A. Lewis said that the fair will pay all expenses.

TIMBER CAMP DESTROYED

Hamilton Creek Scene of Conflagration Started From Stump Fires.

HAMILTON CREEK, Wash., Sept. 16.—(Special.)—Smoldering stump fires, fanned by the high winds of Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, started a forest fire here near the camp of the Hamilton Creek Logging Company, and swept toward the camp so swiftly that there was no chance to stop it and a loss of close to \$800 resulted.

The heavy loss is on the company's bunk houses, the timber hit being logged-off lands to a large extent. A new camp is to be constructed.

In the Poker Room.

Country Hotel Clerk (to bell hop)—Look in the poker room and see if Colonel Slocum is ahead. If he is, page him and say he is wanted at the desk. He owes me \$7.

THEATER CHANGE MADE

HEILIG NEARLY READY FOR ORPHEUM PRODUCTIONS.

Separate Box Offices to be Operated and Scene Shifting Apparatus is Altered.

Within a few days the Heilig Theater will be completely in readiness for Orpheum vaudeville, which will be staged at that theater for four days every week, commencing Sunday, October 1. The stage is being rigged so that changes from one act to another may be made rapidly, as required in vaudeville, and by the end of this week every detail found in a perfect vaudeville theater will be in place at the Heilig for Orpheum shows. The Orpheum and Heilig will maintain separate box offices. The Orpheum box office will be on the south side of the lobby and the Heilig ticket sellers will hold forth on the north side. Work on the new box office is proceeding rapidly and this will be complete in a few days. The Orpheum box office will open next Sunday.

It is understood that G. K. Jeffery, former president of the Portland Musicians' Association, will be the leader of the Orpheum orchestra, which will be composed of 16 pieces. The big pipe organ recently installed in the Heilig will be used in all Orpheum shows and arrangements are being made to shift this instrument in the orchestra pit so that it will be more practicable for vaudeville entertainment.

The Orpheum at Seattle, now managed by Carl Reiter, former manager of the Portland Orpheum, will open next Sunday, and the same show will be presented here the following Sunday. The Orpheum will operate the Heilig every Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and the remaining three days will be used for production presented here under the management of the Heilig.

ELECTRICIAN DRIVES WITH FAMILY FROM DENVER TO PORTLAND TO MAKE HOME.

Driving two fat mules to a gypsy wagon which seemed to be alive with sun-tanned, healthy little children, E. A. Merritt came into Portland yesterday afternoon and finished a nine weeks' trek across the Pacific states from Denver to Portland.

Mr. Merritt has in his party with him his wife, his mother-in-law, Mrs. E. A. Brenner, 75 years of age, and four children, not to mention a wise-looking black and brown pup that answers to the name of "Buster."

Ellen, the oldest child, is 7 years old; Bonnie 4, Dorothy 2 and Gene, the only other "man of the family" besides Mr. Merritt, isn't a year old yet.

They have their wagon equipped with a stove and a miniature kitchen and laundry outfit, with a light sulky trailer to carry impedimenta, which they cannot handle conveniently in the wagon.

Through the whole nine weeks on the road they were in the open, camping with their wagon at night. They were delayed at Montpelier, Idaho, for nearly three weeks, repairing the wagon, which had broken down and the rest of the trip they took at leisure.

The outdoor electrician agreed with them, for the whole party are happy and fat, and the two mules that dragged the wagon look too fat almost to have been tugging in harness for nine weeks.

Mr. Merritt is an electrician and he intends to make his home in Portland. "We will camp for a couple of days with our wagon before we move into a house," he said, "and in the meantime I shall be looking for a job."

While he was speaking a man stepped from the crowd and handing him a card remarked:

"If you are an electrician, look up that address as soon as you can. I think you won't have any trouble getting work in Portland," and he turned and vanished into the crowd.

"I think we are going to like it here," remarked Mr. Merritt, and the four children and black pup grinned corroboratively.

HATCHERY SITE IS SOLD

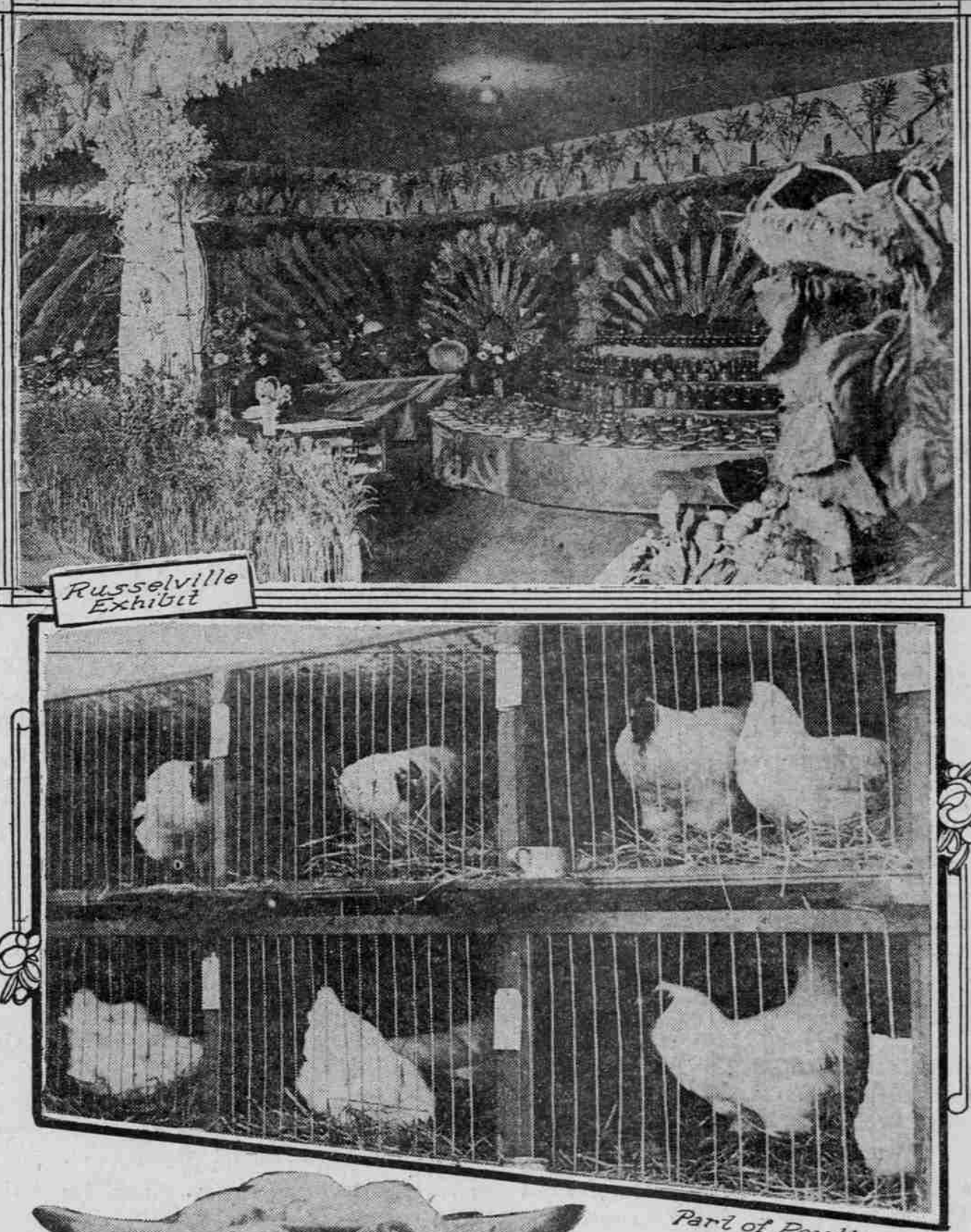
E. M. Howell, Oregon City, Buys 16 Acres on Clackamas.

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 16.—(Special.)—E. M. Howell, of Oregon City, today bought at public auction the Clackamas hatchery site from the Government, comprising 16 acres of land on the Clackamas River near the mouth of Clear Creek, for \$2200. C. S. Jackson, publisher of the Oregon Journal, who owns a tract adjoining the hatchery site, and L. Adams, Oregon City merchant, were unsuccessful bidders.

Bidding started at \$200 and went up to \$2200 in jumps of \$100 each. Earle C. Latourette, an attorney, represented the Portland publisher at the sale. Local real estate men say that \$2200 is a low price for the property.

A single Angora goat has been known to yield 30 pounds of wool at a shearing.

SOME TOP-NOTCH EXHIBITS AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY FAIR, CLOSED YESTERDAY.



Russellville Exhibit



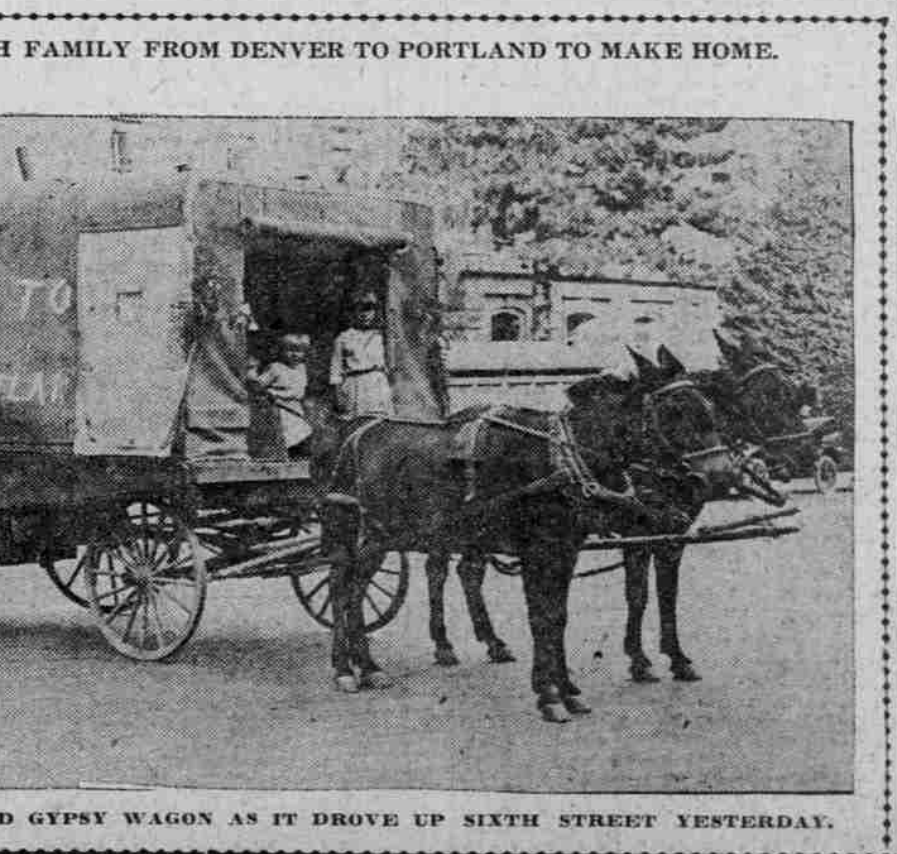
Part of Poultry Exhibit

FAMILY DRIVES WEST

Wagon and Mule Team Bring E. A. Merritt Here to Live.

JOB OFFERED AT ONCE

Man Says He Is Electrician, and Stranger Hands Him Card; New-comers Healthy and Happy After Trip From Denver.



E. A. MERRITT'S MULE TEAM AND GYPSY WAGON AS IT DROVE UP SIXTH STREET YESTERDAY.

MEN MORE RADICAL THAN ARE WOMEN

Scientists at Reed Report Fair Voters Seldom in Favor of Changes.

PORK BARREL CONDEMNED

J. Allen Smith, Washington, Elected President and J. D. Barnett, of Oregon, Treasurer—Coast Association Is Formed.

Political scientists from all the leading institutions of higher learning on the Pacific Coast met at Reed College yesterday and discussed various topics of most vital interest to the voters of Oregon, Washington and California, and all those interested in National or world politics.

The Pacific Coast branch of the American Political Science Association opened the first session of its third annual meeting at 10 A. M. in the assembly hall of the Reed College Arts Building. J. Allen Smith, of the University of Washington, presided, and the first paper, the president's address, by David P. Barrows, of the University of California, was read by J. R. Douglas, his assistant.

War's Changes Pointed Out.

President Barrows' paper was a brilliant treatment of the changes in the British government produced by the war, accompanied by remarkable prophecies of probable radical reformation which the conflict would bring about in the future. He said that the war had greatly weakened the power of the House of Commons and was breaking down the ministerial cabinet.

The total secrecy policy of the ministry has been demoralized on account of its great size and the burning issues of the war have made it impossible to keep its movements concealed from the public, he asserted. It has even been necessary to pass regulations preventing the British press from publishing the revelations of cabinet members.

The impossibility of the ministers keeping each other all informed concerning the movements of each of their departments and the formation of inter-departmental boards have done much to demoralize the working of cabinet, and its functions have resolved themselves into the hands of a very few men who unofficially form an inner cabinet, it was brought out.

Demand for Share Predicted.

The unifying influences of the war, Dr. Barrows prophesied, will force a new imperial constitution on Great Britain at the end of the war. The heavy financial burdens incurred will make direct taxation of the dominions a necessity. If the dominions are taxed they will also have to be represented in the British Parliament, or a great super-Parliament which will be formed. India, too, will probably have to be taken into consideration in this plan.

Dr. Barrows' address was followed by a paper on the American pork barrel by Chester C. Maxey, of Oregon Agricultural College. Mr. Maxey first carefully defined and analyzed the barrel and then proposed his cure. "Log-rolling and the pork barrel are some times confused," said Mr. Maxey. "Log-rolling is a sporadic trading of votes between Congressmen, but the pork barrel is a consummate system by which the United States Treasury is personally and organized interests. Its existence is due to a desire for appropriations for local and personal interests. If a Congressman is to be re-elected, he must do something to impress his constituents."

System, Not Men, Blamed.

"Almost the only way that a first-term man is able to do this is by obtaining an appropriation for his district. This is something tangible. His constituents see that he has done something tangible for them if he obtains a postoffice or obtains a useless military post for them. Cupidity of the voters forces the pork-barrel system on the legislator. Party tactics also necessitate that the faithful states be rewarded with pork and the doubtful ones nursed with it. Omnibus legislation makes the gratification of the desire for pork easy. Congressmen are not to blame. It is the system of appropriations which is at fault."

"As a remedy for the pork barrel dilemma Mr. Maxey suggested the system of an executive financial budget, prepared by the President and his aids. Congress could vote on the budget and reduce any items, but would not be allowed to increase the appropriation in any way.

"This will be impossible," he said "until we have a vigorous President backed by an overwhelming public sentiment in his favor, as Congress will be exceedingly loath to give over its powers of appropriation."

Representation Is Criticized.

The morning session closed with an interesting paper on the practical application of the social sciences, delivered by E. C. Robbins, of the University of Oregon.

A striking revelation of how legislation in the state of Washington was made unrepresentative by the districting of its electoral districts was made by J. Allen Smith in the afternoon session.

Professor Smith said that Washington was districted in such a manner that the rural districts could control almost all legislation. He averred that the legislation which would affect Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane is introduced and passed by legislators from the so-called "cow" counties of the state.

William F. Ogburn told the scientists what women voters think of political and social questions. The scientist gathered by Dr. Ogburn and one of his students revealed that women were more apt to be conservative in their voting than men. Women were more loath to vote in favor of appropriations than men and were less in favor of large changes in governmental methods. Although many immigrant votes were cast in favor of enfranchising the women in Oregon the women were more in favor of disfranchising the immigrants than the men were.

The prohibition measure was the only one out of 26 measures voted on at the last election in which the opinion of the women radically differed from that of the men. Even in matters which concerned the home, education and eight hours a day for women, the women were prone to be more conservative than the men. Men proved more radical among the working classes.

Other papers delivered were: "Proportional Representation," William S. U'Ren, of Portland, and "Civil Service and Industrial Employment," by ex-Commissioner Brewster. The second paper showed that the civil service conditions in Portland were far more favorable than in most other large cities.

A business meeting was held immediately after the afternoon session. J. Allen Smith, of the University of Washington, was elected president; Alvin S. Johnson, of Leland Stanford University, vice-president; J. R. Douglas, of the University of California, secretary, and James D. Barnett, of the University of Oregon, treasurer. The scientists also adopted a resolution withdrawing from the American Political Science Association and reorganizing as the Pacific Coast Political and Social Science Association. It will meet biannually in the future.

DR. HUGH K. WALKER.

Dr. Hugh K. Walker, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Long Beach, Cal., reached Portland yesterday afternoon and he will occupy the pulpit at the Westminster Presbyterian Church this morning and tonight. Dr. Walker recently received a call to Westminster Church and his present trip is to look over the conditions here. He will leave the city next Tuesday morning for his home in the South and will make known his decision after his arrival here.

Dr. Walker has been with the Long Beach church more than two years. Prior to that time he was pastor of a leading Presbyterian church of Los Angeles for more than 14 years. He also was pastor of a prominent church in Atlanta, Ga., for a time, but was compelled to make a change because the climate there did not agree with the health of Mrs. Walker.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PASTOR COMES TO LOOK OVER PORTLAND CHURCH OFFER HIM.



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NOTABLE AUDIENCE TO HEAR DOBSON CONCERT

Entertainer Is Declared to Have Wonderful Faculty of Putting Listeners Into Proper Receptive Condition for Enjoyment.



TOM DOBSON.

ONE of the most representative audiences ever gathered together in this city will attend the song recital of popular Tom Dobson which takes place at the Masonic Temple tomorrow evening. This from a casual glance over the known list of people who have purchased seats. At Mr. Dobson's recitals at the Punch and Judy Theater in New York it was always noticed that many people eminently prominent in social and National affairs were scattered among the audience, many of whom the young artist met personally and with whom he has since formed several warm friendships. Tom's lovable personality, so familiar to his Portland friends, has always doubtless been a strong factor in making his concerts such successes, for it is immediately felt by everyone in his audience. He just sits calmly and quietly at the piano, his fingers wander over the keys a moment; then he may glance up and smile; that's all, but his listeners instinctively know there is a smile in the song that is coming. By the same suggestive play of emotions he carries everyone along with him, sometimes breathless with suspense, sometimes dreaming of things beautiful and charming and then again facing a life's tragedy, or

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Belgian Women Coming Here.

ROTTERDAM, via London, Sept. 16.—The steamer Nieuw Amsterdam sailing yesterday carries 50 Belgian women and children who go to join relatives in the United States. They were assembled in Belgium and brought here by the Rev. J. B. Deville, of Chicago,