

BOY SCOUTS GATHER

Seventh Anniversary of Organization Is Celebrated.

BIG AFFAIR AT LIBRARY

About 40 Portland Patrols Are Represented—Total in State Is 120. Recital of Oath in Unison Is Impressive Feature.

Exercises celebrating the seventh anniversary of Boy Scout organization in America were held in Library Hall last night, a crowd of record-breaking proportions being in attendance.

One of the principal events was the exhibition of Boy Scout films in which were illustrated the various ways in which members of this organization have been of service, and have provided themselves with pleasant and profitable occupations.

A number of the exercises were furnished by members of the different patrols residing in and around Portland, about 40 of these subdivisions being represented. One of the most impressive events of the evening came when the entire body stood up and recited the Boy Scout oath in unison.

The oath, which furnishes an adequate idea of the ideals to which Boy Scouts are devoted is worded as follows: "On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to my God and my country, and to obey the Scout law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight."

The Boy Scouts of America have scored a great achievement in the past few years, having grown to be by far the most considerable boys' organization in the country. The local headquarters, which was established under professional supervision last Summer, has authority over Boy Scout troops throughout the city, which number about 120. The city troops, numbering 40, have a membership of 800 boys.

The text book from which Boy Scouts model their activities is now in its 15th edition, and is considered one of the most valuable educational works in the world. It was originally prepared by a number of the pioneers in Boy Scout work, who submitted their proofs to all the leading educational authorities in the United States.

Book Widely Used. The book was revised a number of times, and at length has been considered the final authority in all matters with which it deals. It is being used as a text by Boy Scouts in all of their work. It is carried by forest rangers, campers, mountain climbing clubs, including the Maritime.

The activities of local scouts are directed by James E. Brockway, scout executive. The others in whom the establishment of a permanent organization are due are as follows: President, W. W. Cotton; vice presidents, Adolphe Wolfe, S. Benson and E. K. Taylor; treasurer, J. K. Gill; recording secretary, Charles F. Berg; executive committee, C. H. Davis, Jr., chairman; Charles F. Hill, L. Allen, H. D. Angell, George L. Baker, C. D. Brunnd, Frank R. Kerr, A. J. Bale, Edward Cookingham, C. Colt, Guy Talbot, E. G. Crawford, Fred Larson, J. C. English and Horace Mecklem.

ALL GRAIN MEN INVITED

LARGE ATTENDANCE DESIRED AT STANDARDIZATION MEETING.

Railroads Offer Fare and One-Third Rate for Round Trip and Importance of Event Asserted.

A large attendance of growers, farmers and dealers of the Northwest who are interested in the question of Federal standardization of grain is expected at the meeting of the Federal Grain Standard Bureau in Portland on Wednesday, February 15, at 10 o'clock, and the railroads into Portland have agreed to put on a "fare and one-third" rate for round-trip tickets so as to encourage attendance.

Portland has been granted a two days' hearing at the headquarters of the Pacific Northwest district in the expectation that the largest attendance of growers and dealers interested will come to this city.

Seattle has been given one day, following the hearing to be held in Portland, and Spokane one day, following the Seattle hearing.

Invitations to growers, the Farmers' Union and similar organizations have been sent out by the Chamber of Commerce, and invitations have been sent also to newspapers and to commercial clubs throughout the territory.

Chairman Houser, of the grain standards bureau of the Chamber of Commerce, has asked all local dealers to arrange their time to that they may attend the hearings and the effort will be made to have the attendance as thoroughly representative as possible so as to prove to the Federal representatives the interest taken by all elements of trade in the new movement.

School Teacher to Enter Army.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—Homer Cross, a school teacher, has been recommended by Army officers for appointment to West Point as a result of examinations recently taken by him. In these Cross secured the highest standing of any militiaman in the state. Cross was captain of the 1913 high school football eleven and has starred on several alumni teams since graduating from high school.

BROKE HIMSELF OF SMOKING CIGARETTES

A St. Louis Man Broke Himself of Smoking Cigarettes and Chewing by a Simple Home Remedy.

Harry Riska, a well-known resident living at 2016 S. 11th St., broke himself of the cigarette habit and chewing with a simple recipe that he mixed at home. In reply to the question as to what he used he made the following statement: "I used a simple recipe which I mixed at home and which is as follows: To 3 oz. of water add 20 grains of Muriate of Ammonia, a small box of Vaseline Compound and 10 grains of Peppin. I took a teaspoonful three times a day. Any drugist can mix it for you at very little cost."

"This recipe can be taken yourself or given secretly to another in coffee, tea or milk or in food, as it has no taste, color or smell and is perfectly harmless."—Adv.

GRAND OPERA SEASON IS TO BE A GREAT EVENT

Coming of Boston Nationals Heralded Widely by Favorable Notices From Everywhere.



OF the highest importance—musically, socially and educationally—is the coming of the Boston-National Grand Opera Company to this city, at the Elventh Street Playhouse, Monday and Tuesday, March 5 and 6, presenting "Aida," "Iris" and "Faust," by an organization of internationally famous artists.

Last year the Boston-National Grand Opera Company, the largest operatic or dramatic company that has ever toured this country, achieved a brilliant success by presenting standard operas in a manner hitherto possible only in the largest cities in the world. For the first time in the history of the American opera patrons living beyond the gates of the metropolis are in a position to attend grand opera in its highest form. Now, this season, the Boston-National Grand Opera Company with its galaxy of celebrated artists, including Mme. Luisa Villani, Maggie Tyte, Miura, Polla, Winietska, Riccardo Leveroni and Ms. Zenatello, Riccardo Martin, Tovia Kittay, Baklanoff, Chalmers, Mardones and Gaudenzi, will arrive with their forces strengthened, their orchestra augmented and their roster of musically conductors.

The various operas presented by the Boston-National Grand Opera Company are cast with due regard to the fitness of the singers in an outward, as well as an inward way. With the Boston-National one never sees a 200-pound Violetta perishing with consumption in Verdi's "Traviata," or a coughing Mimi in "La Boheme" who is a grandmother in figure, or a clumsy Pinkerton trying vainly to embrace a rotund Butterfly. On the contrary, the stage, when occupied by the Boston-National Grand Opera Company, abounds with youth and freshness and personal charm.

Mme. Luisa Villani, the greatest of the Italian dramatic sopranos, is at the very zenith of her career and her brilliant voice and histrionic skill have made her the darling of the Italian composers.

Mme. Tamaki Miura, the tiny and wonderful Japanese soprano, whose performances in "Madame Butterfly" have electrified the United States and England, is still in her middle twenties and in Tokio she was celebrated as a great beauty. Mme. Miura's powers and vocal perfection are of such magnitude as to be apt to forget that she is a perfect type of Japanese woman.

Miss Maggie Tyte, the slight and pretty English soprano, has even found her girlish loveliness a bar in her rise to the topmost ranks of prima donnas.

Guests Are Well Chosen. The men in the Boston-National Grand Opera Company are being chosen with the same insistence on physical requirements—M. Giovanni Zenatello, always an imposing figure, and M. George Baklanoff, the handsome Russian baritone. Especially strengthened is the Boston-National by the two leading American artists, Riccardo Martin, the greatest of American tenors, whose voice and presence are so well adapted to heroic roles, and Thomas Chalmers, prominent among the American baritones, who belongs to the finest type of American manhood; and Jose Mardones, often called the greatest living basso, and Virgilio Lazzari, the Italian tenor, are vigorous artists in their very prime.

I can't live on air and 'Thank you.' Too many public affairs in this city are 'free shows,' which yield no money to the musician who has to pay for clothing, food, house and studio rent, taxes, etc. Of course, most of our money is received through teaching, but fees for appearances at public events ought to be paid to us.

"I was asked to sign a paper by which I pledged myself not to sing at public affairs at which admission is charged, but I refused," said a singer. "I have friends who are members of a club, and I like to sing to them whenever I care to do so, without charging a fee. The club dues to members are so cheap that they could not pay me even if I so desired. The proposition is to charge \$10 for each public appearance as soloist, with a charge of \$2.50 for accompanist. It is proposed also to ask a fee of \$5 for singing at funerals. Not one of us wants to charge for singing or playing at charity affairs."

Club Gets Money; Musician None. At two or three Portland clubs, with women members, a charge of 25 cents each is at present asked from all strangers, non-members. It is this charge of 25 cents that the professional musician object to when asked to appear professionally, without their being paid. Some club presidents say that fees cannot be paid to musicians appearing on club programmes unless club dues are advanced to all members, and that nothing in the shape of advanced club dues is welcome just now in the face of demands of higher costs of living.

Bank at Burns Elects Officers. CRANE, Or., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—The directors of the First National Bank at Burns just elected are: J. D. Daly, president; George A. Smythe, vice-president; J. L. Gault, cashier, and A. C. Williams, assistant cashier. Mr. Gault reported that the business of the First National Bank increased considerably in the past year.

Musicians Can't Live on Air. "I have received an expensive musical education," said one musician. "I have been taught in Europe and the East, and naturally have to make my living...

Willys-Overland Motor Cars. A Great Development. The automobile business is now one of America's leading industries. Its tremendous resources, accomplishments, pay rolls and money invested run into billions of dollars. Both in quality and quantity American made motor cars now lead the world. The great Willys-Overland plants—a veritable industry in itself—have played a leading part in this development. Although in existence only eight years, The Willys-Overland Institution now is second in the world in point of production. The latest and greatest Willys-Overland development now offers the nation a comprehensive line of cars built by one organization. This is the most advanced step of the industry. It means greater economies; better cars at a relatively lower cost to you. Come in and see the new line.

RETAILERS TO MEET

Eleventh Annual State Merchants' Convention Set. FEBRUARY 19 TO 21 IS DATE

Prominent Officials, Including Governor and Mayor, on List of Speakers and Plans for Entertainment Are Arranged.

The 11th annual convention of the Oregon Retail Merchants' Association will be held in this city February 19-21.

The three days' session will be devoted to a series of trade discussions that will reach into every phase of merchandising. G. C. Barlow, of Warrenton, president of the association, has issued invitations to merchants in all parts of the state, and it is probable that merchants of Idaho and Washington will attend the convention as well.

In the list of speakers are state and municipal officials. Governor Wilby-combe will be one of the speakers at the opening day's session, and Mayor Albee will also talk. Mayor Bell, of Eugene; William P. Woodward, Mrs. G. W. McMath and others will be on the programme.

Besides the trade discussions and the other business pertinent to the trade that will be discussed, the visiting merchants will be guests of several of the wholesale houses. The luncheon of February 20 at 12:30 P. M. Albers Bros. Milling Company will give a luncheon to the visiting merchants at its plant. The luncheon will be followed by an inspection of the plant.

The closing day a luncheon will be given by the Pacific Coast Bleacuit Company at its plant. The invitation has been extended by the manager of the company, A. J. Bale.

The afternoon of the last day of the session, if the weather permits, a trip up the Columbia Highway will be taken.

O. W. Mielke, of the Blake-McFall Company, is chairman of the entertainment committee. The other members of the committee are: George Lawrence, Jr., F. S. West, of the Goodyear Rubber Company; Frank Spencer, of Allen & Lewis, and Robert Bain, of Closset & Devers.

FRANCHISE ACTION IS DUE

Carver Jitney Ordinance to Come Up for Final Action.

The first of three franchisees sought by Stephen Carver providing for a city-wide jitney service will be before the City Council for final action on Wednesday. This franchise covers routes through the southeastern part of the city. Two other franchisees covering the rest of the city will be up for passage about two weeks later.

On being passed the franchisees will enter into a 60 days' referendum period, during which time the referendum may be invoked, holding it up until after election. If no referendum is invoked, service shall start at the end of the 60-day period.

It has been rumored that the Jitney Drivers' Union plans a referendum against the franchise.

FIRE ESCAPES ARE URGED

Mr. Baker Has Safety Measure for Two-Story Schools.

Commissioner Baker's ordinance requiring iron fire escapes on at least two sides of every school building more than one story in height will be before the City Council Wednesday. The measure has been prepared by City Attorney LaRoche and has the approval of Fire Marshal Stevens.

It is said there are several school buildings two stories in height which have fire escapes only on one side. Such a condition is held to be dangerous, particularly in face of the fact that the fire stations on the East Side are not equipped with ladders long enough to reach the second-story windows in all cases.

More Postmasters Chosen. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 10.—The following fourth-class postmasters have been appointed in Oregon: Jennie Glenger, Cottonwood, vice A. I. Wright, resigned; Aley J. Pullen, Lone Rock, vice J. W. Currier, resigned; Ella M. Cree, Pleasant Hill, vice O. J. Hull, resigned; Ed L. Southworth, Seneca, vice M. Southworth, resigned; Isaac Blumauer, Calk, Malheur County, new office.

Compelled to Abandon His Ministerial Work

Had Suffered Terribly for Days and Was as Weak as a Child.



The eminent lecturer, Rev. Ellwood R. Ackery, who is in charge of the First M. E. Church at Montgomery, N. Y., says, "I had suffered terribly for days and was as weak as a child. The doctors did not help me any and I had to abandon all ministerial work, when in answer to prayer, I believe, I was directed to take Fruitola and Traxo. After taking the first dose of Fruitola I was relieved of a large number of gall stones. I am now taking Traxo and am delighted to testify that my energy has returned and I feel like a new man."

Fruitola and Traxo are compounded from the original Edsall formulas at the Pinus Laboratories at Monticello, Ill., and can be purchased in drug stores. A doctor's prescription is not necessary. Fruitola is a pure fruit oil that acts as an intestinal lubricant and disintegrates the hardened particles that cause so much suffering, discharging the accumulated waste, to the sufferer's intense relief. One dose is usually sufficient to indicate its efficacy. Traxo is a tonic-alternative that is most effective to stimulate and restore the weakened, rundown system.

A booklet of special interest to those who suffer from stomach trouble can be obtained by writing to the Pinus Laboratories, Monticello, Illinois.

THOUSANDS HAVE KIDNEY TROUBLE AND DON'T KNOW IT

Weak and unhealthy kidneys cause so much sickness and suffering and when through neglect or other causes kidney trouble is permitted to continue serious results may be expected.

Your other organs may need attention—but your kidneys should have attention first because their work is most important.

If you feel that your kidneys are the cause of your sickness or run-down condition, commence taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy, because it proves to be the remedy you need and your kidneys begin to improve they will help all the other organs to health.

Prevalency of Kidney Disease. Most people do not realize the alarming increase and remarkable prevalence of kidney disease. While kidney disorders are among the most common diseases that prevail, they are almost the last recognized by patients, who usually content themselves with doctoring the effects, while the original disease constantly undermines the system.

SPECIAL NOTE—You may obtain a sample size bottle of Swamp-Root by enclosing ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. This gives you the opportunity to prove the remarkable merit of this medicine. They will also send you a book of valuable information containing many of the thousands of grateful letters received from men and women who say they found Swamp-Root to be just the remedy needed in kidney, liver and bladder troubles. The value and success of Swamp-Root are so well known that our readers are advised to send for a sample size bottle. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Be sure to say you read this offer in The Portland Sunday Oregonian.

I Recommend Peruna To All Sufferers Of Catarrh. I Do Not Think I Ever Felt Much Better. have taken four bottles of Peruna, and I can say that it has done me a great deal of good for catarrh of the head and throat. I recommend Peruna to all sufferers with catarrh. I do not think I ever felt much better. I am really surprised at the work I can do. I do not think too much praise can be said for Peruna. Our booklet, telling you how to keep well, free to all. Those who object to liquid medicines can now procure Peruna Tablets. Mrs. William H. Hinchliffe, No. 20 Merritt St., Beverly, Mass., writes: "I leta."