

PORTLAND CHOSEN AS ROSE GARDEN

Selection Made by American Society of Philadelphia Ends 3-Cornered Contest.

PRESTIGE PRINCIPAL ASSET.

Finest Specimens From All Over World Will Be Received for Cultivation Under Climatic Conditions of Northwest.

Portland is the official Rose City of the Northwest. Notice was received yesterday by City Commissioner Baker and Park Superintendent Conwill that the American Rose Society at its meeting in Philadelphia last week selected Portland, thus ending a three-cornered fight for the honor which has been waged by Portland, Seattle and Tacoma for a year past.

The selection of Portland means that an official test garden will be established here for the testing of all types of roses entered in the market of the Northwest. Roses will be sent from growers all over the world for testing under rules laid down by local members of the American Rose Society and by members of the Portland National Rose Test Garden, an organization comprising 200 clubs of Portland.

Portland first entered the race for the Northwest honors a year ago during a visit here of Robert Pyle, chairman of the National committee of the American Rose Society. Seattle then entered the race, followed by Tacoma. The three cities have been waging their respective campaigns since.

Board to Be Named.

In accordance with the rules of the American Society, Portland organized the Portland National Rose Test Garden, having a membership of 200 improvement clubs, parent-teacher clubs and other organizations. F. W. Mulvey was elected president of the organization. Commissioner Baker and Park Superintendent Conwill forthwith telegraphed notice of the organization and made formal application for selection of Portland. The fight was won last week.

Formal notice is expected within a day or two from Benjamin Hammond, of Beacon, N. Y., and at the same time notice will be given of the selection of three local members of the American Society to act as its local committee in conjunction with the local organization and the Park Bureau. Formal notice that Portland has been selected will be called to the attention of rose-growers all over the world at the National Rose Show at Philadelphia March 20 to 23.

Already applications have been received from growers who want to have roses tested here. The first application has come from George C. Thomas, Jr., a multi-millionaire, who grows fancy roses as a hobby. He is now establishing a big garden in New Jersey. His father was a partner of the late J. Pierpont Morgan.

Great Variety Assured.

Others who have applied for local tests are Conrad & Jones, of Westgrove, Pa.; Bobbink & Atkins, of Rutherford, N. J.; Wallace R. Pierson, of Connecticut. Roses will be sent from all over the world as soon as the formal announcement is made.

The place for the local test gardens has not been selected as yet, but will be taken up as soon as the three local members of the American Society are named. The American Rose Society will send out at least three medals each year to be awarded. Commissioner Baker plans to supplement these medals with some to be awarded in the highest classes and for the best general merit by the city of Portland. This will include all roses that win local honors a standing in the official catalogues.

The news of Portland's selection is heralded by rose lovers of Portland as one of the most important advantages received by Portland, inasmuch as it will bring this city to the attention of the rose-growing world more emphatically than ever before.

DEAF MUTE MADE CITIZEN

Thomas Graham, 65 Years Old, Has Lived Here 61 Years.

"This citizen will not be subject to the whims of the average demagogue," commented Presiding Judge Gantenbein yesterday in granting citizenship to citizen Thomas Graham, deaf mute. Mr. Graham lives at 1529 Vincent street, is 65 years old and has been in America 61 years. He was born in England.

H. B. Hazard, Federal Commissioner in charge of the naturalization proceedings, offered divorce as a possible objection to admitting Mr. Graham. A class of foreign-born men were admitted to citizenship by Judge Gantenbein yesterday. They were presented by Deputy County Clerk Easter.

Fair Board Members Named.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The City Council yesterday has appointed P. W. Snyder, of Swan, a prominent stockman of that neighborhood, as the third member of the Klamath County fair board to take the place of Lindsey C. Stenore, of Fort Klamath, whose term had expired. The other two members of the board are George T. Baldwin, State Senator from this district, and J. Frank Adams, prominent rancher of this city. It is planned to organize a fair association embracing Klamath and Lake counties in Southern Oregon and Modoc and Siskiyou counties in Northern California.

HARD AND SOFT OR ANY KIND OF CORN

Tells How to Loosen a Tender Corn So It Lifts Out Without Pain.

You reckless men and women who are pestered with corns and who have at least once a week tried the suicidal death from lockjaw or blood poison are now told by a Cincinnati authority to use a drug called freezone, which the moment a few drops are applied to any corn, the soreness is relieved and soon the entire corn, root and all, lifts out with the fingers.

It is a sticky substance which dries the moment it is applied, and is said to simply shrivel the corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding tissue or skin. It is claimed that a quarter of an ounce will cost very little at any of the drug stores, but is sufficient to rid one's feet of every hard or soft corn or callus. You are further warned that cutting at a corn is a suicidal habit.—Adv.

MUSICAL COMEDY TO COME TO HEILIG MARCH 1 AND 2

"The Blue Paradise" Is an Operetta Which Enjoyed Flattering Prosperity at New York Casino Theater—Libretto Possesses Sparkle and Melody Which Alone Hold Audiences Enraptured.



"THE BLUE PARADISE," that will be seen at the Heilig Theater March 1 and 2, is a foreign-made musical comedy, or operetta, if you prefer the more dignified title, which enjoyed a flattering prosperity at the New York Casino Theater and which has been cordially welcomed on tour.

In the quality and texture of the musical score and in the humor of the libretto "The Blue Paradise" is said to possess all the sparkle and melody that is so characteristic of the best of compositions that have come to us via the Austrian capital during recent years.

LEASE BILL SCORED

Letter to Senator Chamberlain Tells of Dangers Ahead.

11 STATES ARE AFFECTED

Development of Water Powers and Public Lands of Mountain States Would Be Placed in Hands of Clique, Says Writer.

A copy of the following letter to Senator Chamberlain has been received for publication in The Oregonian: Senator George E. Chamberlain, Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator—As to House bill 408, the public land states and the people of the public land states most bitterly protest against the leasing clause in that bill. Under our public land system, established and consistently practiced since the very inception of government, practically all the public lands in states east of the Rocky Mountains have passed to private ownership and are taxable by the states in which they lie for the support of state government; and the owners thereof are freeholders.

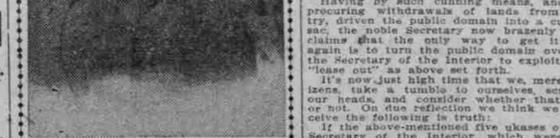
The proportion of Government land to total area in each of the 11 mountain states varies from 40 per cent in Washington to 92 per cent in Arizona, with an average of about 67 per cent of the total area of the 11 states.

The various leasing bills now pending in Congress were all drawn, promoted, lobbied and caused to be introduced in Congress by the Secretary of the Interior, assisted by Mr. Pinchot, and lobbied through the committees by the Secretary. In the aggregate these bills provide for the leasing of practically all these public lands, thereby leaving them non-taxable by the states, and making the future occupants serfs and vassals of the ruling landlord—not freeholders.

Feudal System Is Feared.

In other words, the leaders of the so-called "Conservation Party" are attaining every exertion to overthrow the satisfaction of the people of the public land states.

EARLY WOMAN RESIDENT OF COMSTOCK IS DEAD.



Mrs. Sarah A. Griggs, of Comstock, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Mrs. Sarah A. Griggs, who has resided here since 1873, died February 9. She was 71 years old.

She was born in Pittsburg and went to Buffalo, N. Y., to make her home with an aunt at the age of 11 years, when her parents died. When 20 years old she went to California and was married to J. A. Griggs in 1869. They came to Comstock in 1873.

Mrs. Griggs is survived by her husband, one daughter, Mrs. J. F. Earl, of Cottage Grove, and Roy Griggs, of this place.

Advertisement for Gevartz Furniture Co., Inc. featuring Buck's Stoves & Ranges and various furniture items like chairs, tables, and sofas. Includes text: 'We Charge No Interest', 'Be Sure and See Bucks' Combination Range for Coal, Wood or Gas', 'Exchange Department', and 'Extra Specials'.

RAILROAD BOARD NAMED

NORTH BANK AND AFFILIATED LINES HOLD ELECTION. Directors and Officers Re-elected in Every Case—Meetings Held in Vancouver and Portland. Annual meetings of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railroad and subsidiary companies were held on Thursday, Feb. 16, at Vancouver, B. C.

Advertisement for DENT'S Toothache Gum. Text: 'DENT'S Toothache Gum STOPS THE ACHE. CLEANSSES THE CAVITY. PREVENTS DECAY. Sold everywhere - 15c. C. S. Dent & Co. Detroit, Mich.'

Found Way to Health Without Using Knife

Advertisement for Allcock Plasters. Text: 'Allcock PLASTERS The World's Greatest External Remedy. Pain in Side, Rheumatism, Backache, -Any Local Pain. ALWAYS INSIST ON HAVING ALLOCOCK'S'. Includes a testimonial from Mrs. Mary A. Ferree about gallstone trouble.