

NURSE SENDS PLEA FOR DYING CHINESE

Marie Rustin of Portland Tells of Starvation.

SITUATION IS FRIGHTFUL

Starving Human Creatures Swarm Streets of Cities and Beg for Food as They Die.

"The situation here is perfectly awful. Do send all the money you can and urge others to help. The suffering of the starving people everywhere is beyond any description, especially the pitiable, wasted, starving little children.

The above is an extract from a letter dated February 9, just received by the Bible class of the First Presbyterian church from Marie Rustin, registered nurse, of Portland, who for the past five years has been on duty in the Taylor Memorial hospital at Tsingtau, China.

Conditions Are Deplorable.

"Yesterday I went into the city, about a half mile away," she writes. "On the way I met a boy who used to be in the hospital. He was starving and begged for something, so I gave him some money. After talking with him a little I walked on, for I could not take him back to the hospital, already full.

"Half a block farther on I met another boy I knew and he was carrying his sick and aged mother to a soup kitchen. Because I dared to stop and offer him sympathy I was surrounded in a moment by a crowd of poor, starving creatures wanting help and I got home with great difficulty.

Starving People Swarm Streets.

"In going out one simply has to shut one's eyes. When there is nothing to give but sympathy it is disastrous to stop to offer even this, for it brings the starving people all about one in a twinkling and their momentary hopes have to be blasted.

HEAD OF WOMEN VISITS

MRS. IDA B. CALLAHAN HERE PLANNING FOR CONVENTION.

Committee on Programme for State Affair is Named and Large Attendance is Expected.

Mrs. Ida B. Callahan, president of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs, is a visitor in Portland and while here is conferring with local federation officers and committee chairmen regarding plans for the state convention of clubwomen to be held in Pendleton May 31, June 1 to 3, inclusive.

Mrs. Callahan has appointed as her assistants on the state convention programme Mrs. John Van Zante, Mrs. Edith Knight Hill, Mrs. Nettie Greer Taylor, Miss In Jackson and Mrs. E. F. Wade of Pendleton.

The president of the general federation, Mrs. Thomas G. Winter of Minneapolis, will be in Oregon for the convention and will speak on June 1. It is anticipated that there will be a large attendance. Mrs. Callahan and her assistants on the state convention will be the general topic. Americanization will be one of the features to be emphasized at the state convention.

WINNING ESSAYS PICKED

Children's Contest at Book Store Is Completed.

Winners of the children's essay contest, held by the J. K. Gill company in connection with the boys' and girls' book shop in the store were announced yesterday by Mrs. Mabel Harris, head of the department and manager of competition.

In the contest for children more than 10 years of age, Jared Eric Wenger, 12, 522 Tenthon drive, won first prize; Mildred Smith, 12, 1064 East Eighth street north, second; and Thelma Ruth Powell, 11, 923 East Twenty-first street north, third.

For children less than 10 years old, first prize was awarded William Test, 6 1/2, 135 Fern avenue, with Jane E. Ruby, 5 1/2, 473 Schuyler street, second, and Isabelle Louise Crowell, 5, 730 Sherwood drive, third.

The contest began February 1 and lasted one month. Competitors were judged on the quality of original essays of 150 words on their impressions of the children's book department and library in the store. The board of judges consisted of Miss Jessie Millard, head of the children's department of the central library; Mrs. J. F. Hill, president of the parent-teachers' council, and James E. Brock-

FIRE ENGINES ARE Mired

Apparatus Gets Stuck in Mud in Going to \$5000 Herlithy Fire.

Loss of \$5000 was sustained when the residence of Theodore E. Herlithy, 1500 Corbett street, was destroyed by fire at 2:20 o'clock yesterday morning. Mrs. Herlithy was alone at the time and was compelled to jump from a window to escape from the flames.

Three engine companies in responding to the call became stuck in the deep mud beyond the end of the pavement on Corbett street, and by the time the heavy fire trucks were freed the dwelling was such a mass of flames that it could not be saved.

Mrs. Herlithy not only lost every article of furniture, but all of her wearing apparel with the exception of a coat which she donned when she fled from the house.

Farmers Plan Phone Line.

EUGENE, Or., March 26.—(Special.)—Telephone users in the vicinity of Oakridge, which is the terminus of the Naton cutoff of the Southern Pacific, are planning the organization of a telephone association. There are at present 25 telephone users there who have heretofore utilized the forest service lines but they are desirous of installing private lines.

LARGE DELEGATION OF PORTLAND CREDIT MEN ATTEND NORTHWEST CONFERENCE AT SEATTLE.



VIEW OF PORTLAND DELEGATES TAKEN WHILE ON TRIP TO PUGET SOUND CITY.

A large delegation from Portland attended the northwest conference of wholesale credit men held in Seattle Monday. Questions of interest to credit men were discussed, including various phases of business and credit.

Two Portland men were on the programme of the sessions held in the Elks' temple. E. D. Ross, of the Irwin-Hodson company, discussed "The Moral Rise and the Responsibility of the Credit Manager for Its Proper Handling." D. D. Galbraith, of R. G. Dun & Co., took as his subject a study of prices.

J. H. Tregoe, secretary-treasurer of the National Association of Credit Men, was present at the gathering and participated in much of the discussion. Other speakers included: J. J. O'Reilly, chairman, of Seattle; A. M. Rowe, Spokane; C. O. Bishop, Tacoma; E. V. Griswold, Seattle; M. E. Garrison, Wichita, Kan.; W. E. Beamer, Seattle.

The gathering closed with a banquet at the Masonic club. Entertainment features included a trip by steamer along the water front and an automobile tour about the city. The Portland convention committee included A. R. Morris, Miss M. H. Peterson, Fred S. Gruts and F. Duester.

RAILROAD PRESIDENT TELLS JOKE THAT WAS ON HIMSELF

Informal Talk With Corvallis Delegation Gets Printed in Newspaper in That City—Railway Company Declared Unwilling to Build Bridge.

"HERE'S a dandy on me," said W. F. Turner, president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway, the other day as he handed a clipping from a Corvallis paper to a reporter who had called for railroad news.

A delegation from Corvallis called upon Turner recently and asked if the Oregon Electric railway would complete a bridge across the Willamette river, said Mr. Turner. "The joke is, I told them that were I to recommend to my eastern connections the expenditure of such an amount of money for that or any other purpose right now, the first thing they would do would be to send a lunacy commission out here to examine me—and here it is in the Corvallis paper. Well, it's what you newspaper boys would call a good story."

Mr. Turner laughed heartily at the joke on himself. He had merely talked informally to the delegation from Corvallis, which included the mayor and other prominent men of that town, but had told them frankly how things stand with the railroads. The Oregon Electric railway is a subsidiary line of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway and Mr. Turner is its president also. What the Corvallis delegation asked would cost about \$500,000, and any time a railroad is spending that amount of money for anything new these days—well, it surely would be some story.

C. C. Chapman, editor of the Oregon Voter, formerly an ocelot officially with the old Portland Commercial club, farmer and legislative expert, is one of the best baby tenderers in our fair state, judging from a performance at the Hazelwood recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Chapman and a party of friends were dining at the Hazelwood one Sunday, among the party being a baby. In some manner, the infant bumped its head on its high chair and immediately set up a wail. Others' attempts to calm the child having failed, Mr. Chapman arose, picked it up, and carried it about the place for 15 minutes, finally getting it to sleep by crooning lullabies.

It's mighty seldom that William H. Calvart, noted engineer and librarian of the Portland Press club, does not wear a smile, but during the past ten days he has been ill and was not in his usual jocular mood.

"How's the situation?" he was asked while emerging from an elevator in the Oregonian building recently.

"Doblasted bum, thank you," said "Gal," as he hobbled off into the Oregonian mist.

C. A. Bigelow, commissioner of public affairs and acting mayor at times

for "the little giant of the west" is either going or coming most of the time these days.

"I hardly know whether I am a resident of Portland or Washington, D. C.," said Mr. Dodson, who has but recently returned here from the national capital. "However, I find my family here every time I get back, so I suppose this is my home. I like it here whenever I have a chance to roost in Portland."

Mr. Dodson has been running back and forth on important matters affecting the standing of Portland as a port.

SCHOOL BONDS FAVORED

MALIN GIVES THREE-TO-ONE VOTE OF APPROVAL.

Heaviest Majority Ever Received in Klamath County for Bond Issue is Recorded.

MALIN, Or., March 26.—(Special.)—Issuing of \$16,745.70 in bonds for the new union high school here was authorized by the largest majority and heaviest vote ever cast at a bond election in Klamath county, 95 votes being favorable and 30 opposed. The bond election was held Saturday afternoon in the barber shop building temporarily used for the upper two grades of the high school.

Considerable opposition was evidenced a few weeks ago, many of the taxpayers feeling that the burden of building a high school was too great. The fact was explained that certain taxes formerly paid to help support the county high school would stop and that the actual increase in taxes was not great, compared with the advantages.

The union high school district comprises the famous Tule lake land, much of which is to be opened to homestead entry for the soldiers of the late war.

A form of letter was written and sent to each voter in the district, telling of the advantages of voting "Yes" on the high school bonds, and the supporters of the movement worked diligently to win favorable votes. The \$16,990 will be used to build and equip a unit of what will some time be a \$35,000 building. This unit will be completed in time for school next fall, if possible. Plans for the building have been drawn up by a local architect.

Water Right Payment Changed.

YAKIMA, Wash., March 26.—(Special.)—Wapato project water users heretofore will pay no rental, but principal of their permanent water-right charge, according to changes announced by Superintendent Holt of

TWO SAFES BLOWN AND \$1200 TAKEN

Portland Manufacturing Company, Cigar Store Robbed.

YEGGS BELEIVED EXPERTS

Police Declare Technique Is Displayed That Indicates City Entertains Professionals.

TWO ARE HELD AS SUSPECTS

Ex-Yegg Held as Possible Lector for Safeblowers.

John Burke, alias John Nixon, ex-convict and old-time yegg, was arrested in the upper Albina district yesterday in company with Johnnie Barton, police character and drug addict, and are being held at police headquarters for investigation. The arrest was made by Patrolman Schulpius and inspector Morris.

The men are alleged to have been peddling cheap eye-glasses and razors when they were picked up by the police. The arresting officers believe they may know something of the activities of the burglars and safeblowers who have been operating in this vicinity. They are holding Burke especially on the theory that he may be the "lector" for the safe workers.

Unless further investigation discloses additional information about the men they will be held tomorrow for vagrancy.

Two safes in widely separated parts of the city within 40 minutes of each other yesterday morning, procuring \$1200 in cash, and made their escape without leaving behind a clue of any description.

At 2:45 A. M. the safe of the Portland Manufacturing company, 1249 Macadam street, was blown open, the knob of the safe door being blown through the window and into the fire station directly across the street. The fire company was out on a fire call at the time.

Deeds to the property, insurance policies, private papers and \$2 in cash comprised all the loot taken in this job. Police Detectives Coleman and Collins, who are being held at police headquarters for investigation, found a railroad crowbar near the plant yesterday morning which was used by the safeblowers in breaking open an office window overlooking the front window and in plain sight of any chance early-morning pedestrian.

Working within six feet from the front window and in plain sight of any chance early-morning pedestrian.

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THE OWL DRUG CO.

Soap Prices Are Getting Back to Where They Used to Be. Most of them are back to the old-time basis. The others are so close that it is a matter of pennies. Furthermore, soaps that have been hard to obtain in the past four or five years are now plentiful—in The Owl Drug Stores. In the list below, pay particular attention to the quantity prices—they mean a substantial saving.

Colgate's Cashmere Bouquet Soap... 10c 6 for 55c
Colgate's Coleo Soap (new style)... 10c 12 for \$1.00
Colgate's Turkish Bath Soap... 10c 12 for \$1.10
Fairy Soap (small)... 10c 12 for \$1.10
Ivory Soap (small)... 10c 12 for \$1.00
Grandpa Tar Soap (small)... 10c 12 for \$1.10
Lava Soap (large)... 10c 12 for \$1.10
Life Buoy Soap... 10c 12 for \$1.10
Palmolive Soap... 10c 3 for 25c
Pee's Creme Oil Soap... 10c 3 for 25c
Pee's Imperial Peroxide Soap... 10c 12 for \$1.10
Klenzo Toilet Soap... 10c 12 for \$1.10
Colgate's Big Bath Soap... 15c 3 for 40c
Colgate's Glycerine Soap (medium)... 15c 3 for 40c
Colgate's Honey Soap (medium)... 15c 3 for 40c
Colgate's Oatmeal Soap (medium)... 15c 3 for 40c
Colgate's Turkish Bath Soap (large)... 15c 3 for 40c
Armour's Stork Soap... 15c 3 for 40c
California Medicated Soap... 15c 3 for 40c
Ivory Soap (large)... 15c 12 for \$1.40
Fairy Soap (large)... 15c 12 for \$1.40
Grandpa Tar Soap (large)... 15c 12 for \$1.40
Jergen's Violet Glycerine Soap... 15c 2 for 25c
Kirk's Jap Rose Soap... 15c 2 for 25c
Kirk's Juvenile Soap... 15c 2 for 25c
Todeo Cocoa Almond Soap... 15c 3 for 45c
Rexall Toilet Soap... 15c 3 for 40c
Sayman's Soap... 15c 3 for 40c
Sapolio Hand Soap... 15c 2 for 25c
Pear's Soap (unscented)... 17c 12 for \$1.90
Cuticura Soap... 20c 3 for 57c
Churchill Antiseptic Soap... 19c 3 for 55c
Packer's Tar Soap... 20c 3 for 57c
Resinol Soap... 20c 3 for 57c
Bocabelli Castile Soap (cake)... 20c 2 for 35c
Colgate's Glycerine Soap (large)... 20c 3 for 55c
Colgate's Honey Soap (large)... 20c 3 for 55c
Colgate's Oatmeal Soap (large)... 20c 3 for 55c
Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap... 20c 3 for 55c
Pear's Soap (scented)... 22c 12 for \$2.50
Danderine Soap... 23c 3 for 65c
4711 White Rose Glycerine Soap... 23c 3 for 65c
Zemo Soap... 23c 3 for 65c
Germicidal Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
Palmer's Skin Success Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
Lee's Egg Tar Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
D.D.D. Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
Owl Restfoot Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
Red Feather Toilet Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
Carbenzol Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
Fitch's Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
Lysol Toilet Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
Jontel Toilet Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
Klenzo Tar Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
Violet Dulce Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
Wildroot Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
Colgate's Toilet Soap... 25c 3 for 65c
Cashmere Bouquet Dactylis Monard Violet
Mavis Soap... 30c 3 for 85c
J. & J. Synol Soap... 30c 3 for 75c
A. D. S. Foot Soap... 35c 3 for 90c
Conti Castile Soap... 35c 3 for \$1.00
Pond's Soap... 35c 3 for 90c

EASTER Greetings from JIMMY DUNN'S LUCKY BLACK CAT

This is Easter Sunday. My Lucky Black Cat is elated. It is purring contentedly this very moment and in the language which I understand so well is saying—"Send



EASTER GREETING TO ALL MY FRIENDS, JIMMY—and tell them I am sorry that they couldn't all get here, for their new Spring Suits, but that the same warm Easter welcome will always await them if they—

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