

# AMPLE FUNDS ARE ON HAND

For the Relief of the Victims of Forest Fires—The Pending Benefits Will Be Quite Sufficient

To Provide for All the Wants of the Needy—All Contributions to Be Handled by the Merchants' Protective Association.

The leaders of the relief movement met in the Council chamber this afternoon for the purpose of centralizing their work, with Dr. Edgar P. Hill in the chair.

In an informal talk before the meeting Dr. Hill stated that the matter of relief was liable to be overdone. "Take Springfield, for instance," the doctor said, "there are only about 30 families there and they now have supplies on hand to last them for two years. I think we should centralize our efforts and then there will not be so many duplications."

Mr. Flegel, in an open meeting, advocated that the Merchants' Protective Association be made the central committee in the relief of the fire sufferers. He said that the association had really done more than any other body, as they were in touch by wire with all the places where the suffering is most acute. The association is made up of the leading business men of the community and Mr. Flegel made a motion that all funds collected for relief purposes be turned over to the Merchants' Protective Association and Mr. Bablin, its secretary, be made treasurer of the funds, if they would accept.

N. F. Fieschner, one of the officers of the Merchants' Protective Association, in addressing the meeting, told what had been done by the association, and accepted the responsibility of its acting as the central relief body. He stated that Mr. Bablin was a very busy man and would require help. He also suggested that all contributions of clothing and provisions be boxed ready for shipment, as the officers of the association were all business men and too busy to attend to such details.

Rev. Simpson said that he was heartily in accord with Mr. Flegel's motion to make the Merchants' Protective Association the central relief body. He also protested against the solicitation of any more funds, as he thought the different ones making donations and soliciting them were in their open-heartedness overdoing the thing and that what there is now on hand and what is in sight will be ample to care for the needs of all who are suffering by the fire.

Rev. Soper, of the First Baptist church, who accompanied the first shipment of relief goods and funds to Springfield, said that every one there was better supplied with bedding and clothing than they have been in many a day, if ever. There was enough supplies on hand to last the residents in that district two years or more without their ever having to turn over their hands.

Quite a number of others spoke, but all with the exception of C. M. Parker, who is interested in religious work around Lents, were in favor of Mr. Flegel's motion regarding centralization. Mr. Parker thought the religious bodies should be more in evidence in the distribution.

Treasurer Werlein of the Macabees fund told a reporter that he had received a contribution of \$100 from Portland Camp. Among those present at the meeting this afternoon were Rev. E. P. Hill, Mrs. Dr. Wise, Mrs. Sol Hirsch, Dr. Mary A. Thompson, Dr. Hamilton Mead of the Elks, Messrs Fieschner and Roberts of the Merchants' Protective Association, Revs. Soper, Simmons, Gray and Simpson, Councilmen Flegel, Zimmerman and Rummel and Colonel Owen Summers.

**EXCELLENT PROGRESS.**  
The relief fund will by today's effort, reach near the \$5000 mark. The clothing, provisions, furniture and bedding will amount to several thousand dollars more. The work has been handled with great activity, and the committees who have the work in charge have made the most of their opportunities in the collecting and distribution of the donations. The enthusiasm is extremely gratifying, and the situation remains unabated. The police and fire departments, are, through their members, selling tickets for the benefit shows by the score. The business places, and the individuals who have tickets, are doing a satisfactory business. The efforts of the churches and the fraternal organizations are meeting with substantial results.

**TAKE BUNCH OF TICKETS.**  
C. F. Swigert, of the City & Suburban, W. B. Tyer, and William Ladd, have taken 100 tickets each for the Marquam benefit to be given Tuesday for relief of the fire sufferers.

**SHIELDS' BIG SHOW**  
Vaudeville People Will Do Stunts Tonight for Sweet Charity.

A benefit which will realize much money for the fire sufferers, will be that at Shields' Park this evening. A monster vaudeville program has been arranged, the participants in which are all experts

In their several lines. This is the first of the series of benefits and should be well patronized so as to set the ball of charity rolling with a substantial sum. The prices of admission are 25 and 50 cents, and by the way tickets are selling now the Park will be crowded tonight.

The program to be presented will be the biggest and best of its kind ever seen on the Pacific Coast. The Shields' Park shows have all been good this summer but this performance will rank far above them, as the cream of the vaudeville performers in this city will participate. Tickets are for sale at the following places: Evening Telegram, Oregon News Company, B. B. Rich, O. K. barber shop, Woodard, Clarke & Co., Adolph Dekam, Rosenblatt & Co., Chicago Clothing Company, Skidmore & Co., Laue-Davis Drug Co., Phil Joseph, Cohn's cigar store, Aldrich Pharmacy and Handley's cigar store. Husbands will take their wives and children, brothers their sisters, or some one else's sisters and young men their sweethearts, to this performance, as it will be having pleasure and doing a good deed at the same time.

The following are some of the artists who will participate:  
The Lamonts, the premier acrobats, the Chinese quartet, the royal troupe of Japanese acrobats, Kairatus, and King of hoop rollers, from the Fredericksburg, Earl and Hampton, the black face artists, Stanley and Scanlon, musical comedians, from Fritz's theater; Helen Lamar, in her transformation, "Her Last Letter," Edward Shields in his illustrated lecture on President McKinley, the poly-scope, Joseph Thompson's illustrated songs, the Thompsons in their Chinese skit, and W. H. McBride, the Irish comedian, from Shields' Park; the Duffy children, Mr. and Mrs. Duffy, the Irish comedians, Major O'Leary, the baton juggler, and Annie Golding, George and Lizzy Bird, in a Chinese comedy act from Blazer's.

## GRAND CONCERT

Big Galaxy of Musicians Will Play for Charity.

What will prove to be a good source of increasing the fund for the aid of the fire sufferers is the monster concert to be given by the Musicians' Mutual Association, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Shields' Park. At this concert 75 musicians will take part, forming a monster band, the like of which has never before been heard in Portland. The following excellent program has been arranged for this concert:

**PART FIRST.**  
March, "Metronome Prize".....Heed Overture, "William Tell".....Rossini Characteristic, "Panamerican" Herbert Waltz, "Vegetarian Nights".....Tobani  
**PART SECOND.**  
Paraphrase, "My Old Kentucky Home".....Daly For Piccolo, Clarinets, Cornets, Baritone, Trombones, Variations for Basses. Caprice "In a Cozy Corner".....Bratton Scenes from the "Wizard of the Nile".....Herbert March from "Tannhauser".....Wagner  
The price of admission will be 50 cents and no doubt many will take advantage of this opportunity of hearing an excellent concert and at the same time of aiding the fire sufferers.

**MARQUAM BENEFIT**  
A Strong Performance for Benefit of Fire Sufferers.

The grand benefit performance at the Marquam theater Tuesday afternoon will introduce a novelty to the public—that of seeing two plays at the same time. "Nancy & Co." by the Neil Stock Company will be the first play presented after which will follow "The Lottery of Love," by the Neill Company. The performance will commence at 1:30 and continue for four hours. Over 50 actors and actresses will take part in the performances. The whole proceeds from this performance will be turned over to Mayor Williams, who in turn will have Councilmen Flegel, Zimmerman and Rummel distribute the funds.

Mayor Williams was provided with 1,000 tickets to this performance, each ticket selling at \$1.00. Every patrolman and fireman in the city has received tickets from the Mayor, and they are all out selling now. From the reports to date several hundred tickets have already been disposed of.

It is intended that the fire fund should

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# STRIKERS VIOLENT

Blow Up a House With Dynamite.

OCCUPANTS ASLEEP

Big Dam Destroyed by Miners—A Man Killed by the Picket.

MAHONY CITY, Sept. 19.—Striking miners used dynamite to blow up the residence of a non-unionist last night. One of the most deplorable incidents that have occurred here since the Anthracite strike began, was the blowing up of the residence of Richard Parfitt, a non-union miner, while he was absent at work.

At midnight last night while Mrs. Parfitt and her three children were soundly sleeping, little dreaming of the terrible danger that threatened them, a crowd of strikers stealthily crept upon the house and placed a charge of dynamite under the foundation with the intention of totally destroying it, thinking perhaps to thus compel the husband and father of the inmates to cease working in the mines.

The explosion was a terrific one and the house was almost completely demolished, and the only thing that saved the lives of those who were occupants at the time was the fact that they were in bed and asleep, the bedding probably protecting them from the falling timbers and debris, which almost entirely covered them. However they received serious injuries some of which may prove fatal.

The fiendish deed is said to have been committed by a crowd of miners who were acting without the sanction of any of the leaders, and their action is very much deplored by the better class of strikers.

Immediate steps will be taken by both the officials and leaders of the strikers to apprehend the perpetrators of the crime.  
**DAM BLOWN UP.**  
WILKESBARRE, Pa., Sept. 19.—At 3 o'clock this morning the large dam on Solomon Creek which supplies the water to Moffats washery was dynamited, wrecked and drained. This compels the washery to shut down. Twenty-five sticks of dynamite were used.

At 7 o'clock this morning Peter Remick, a striker, who announced his decision to return to work was shot by a picket named John Savage. There is great unrest among strikers here today.

# SULTAN YIELDS

Accedes to Russia's Demands and Recognizes British Sovereignty.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 19.—It is reported that the Porte has decided to yield to Russia's demands for the passage of three Russian torpedo boat destroyers through the Dardanelles. Simultaneously the Porte will recognize Great Britain's sovereignty over the territory of Yaff, Arabia.

# MARCONI HONORED

King Bestows Grand Cross—May Establish Station in Rome.

TURIN, Sept. 19.—The Italian Minister telegraphs that Galimberti today conferred with Marconi regarding the establishment of a grand central wireless telegraph station in Rome, communicating with all stations throughout the world. It will cost \$50,000. He also read to Marconi a telegram from the King, conferring on him the Grand Cross of Honor.

**TIFFANY IMPROVING.**

Superintendent Tiffany, of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company, who was injured recently by being struck by a car upon dismounting from the Oregon City car at the corner of First and Madison streets yesterday afternoon, is much better this morning and is expected out in a few days. Mr. Tiffany was severely bruised and badly shaken up, but not seriously injured.

# SAILED THE AIR

Santos Dumont's Ship Eclipsed.

SPENCER OF LONDON

Seems to Have Solved the Problem of Aerial Navigation.

LONDON, Sept. 19.—Aeronaut Spencer made a trial trip with his new flying machine of his own invention this afternoon. He sailed completely around St. Paul's Cathedral, and appeared to have perfect control of the machine.

He made the trip to Crystal Palace in 25 minutes, a distance of seven miles. The proposed trip was kept secret and the news was first known when people on the streets discovered the ship sailing with intricate evolutions high up in the air. The invention apparently eclipses Santos-Dumont's efforts.

# FOUGHT FOR LIFE

Frenzied Struggle of a Murderer to Escape the Scaffold.

HACKENSACK, Sept. 19.—Peter Herina was hanged this morning for the murder of a butcher named Wallington. Shortly before the time for him to ascend the scaffold he saw his wife outside, who had been released permission to see him. He became violent and broke away from the guards and ran down the corridor. He jumped a five-foot space to a bathroom, where he tore off the plumbing. Brandishing a pipe he swore to kill any one approaching him, but was finally knocked down by a stream from the fire hose and captured. He was carried struggling to the scaffold, where he fought till strangled.

# MOTION FILED.

An Effort to Dissolve McGovern-Corbett Injunction.

FRANKFORD, Sept. 19.—A motion to dissolve the injunction granted by Judge Field in the McGovern-Corbett fight, was made this morning before Chief Justice Guffy, of the Court of Appeals. The argument opened at noon before a full bench.

# THRICE HANGED

Fought Like a Demon on Scaffold—Stabbed Three Guards.

VIENNA, Sept. 19.—Zeco Kamenow, who under death sentence attacked his guards with a knife when they came to conduct him to the scaffold this morning. He fatally stabbed one and wounded three others before he was overpowered. The first drop the rope broke and the second time he was taken down and it was found that life was not extinct. A third hanging was necessary before he was executed.

# NOTHING SERIOUS

Lord Salisbury Suffering an Attack of Gout.

LONDON, Sept. 19.—The confirmation of Lord Salisbury's illness, received from Schweisshof, Lucerne, says there is no cause of anxiety. He is suffering from severe chills and a slight attack of the gout.

# WHEAT MARKET.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—Wheat—\$1.17 1/2 @ 1.18.  
CHICAGO, Sept. 19.—Wheat—72 1/2 @ 73 1/2.

# BODY IN A TRUNK

Murderer Kept Victim in Room All Day.

POLICE HAVE CLEW

Mrs. Kingston Believed to Have Been Killed for Her Jewelry.

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—There are new developments in the Mrs. Pulitzer, known as Mrs. Kingston, case this afternoon. Charles Evans, a Hoboken liverman, came to headquarters and said the strap and weight was taken from the rig rented by him Wednesday night and returned late Thursday morning. He described the man accurately. The officers first believed him to be the husband. Evans said no, when he was confronted. The police are now certain the woman was murdered in New York shortly after she left home. They think the murderer lured her to this room and murdered her for her diamond earrings, and wedding ring. He is supposed to have kept the body in his room all day Wednesday and finally packed it in a trunk for disposal and went to Hoboken where he hired a rig and threw the body into the ditch.

# THE STEEL IS HERE

For the Columbia River & Northern Railway.

The first cargo of steel for the Columbia River & Northern has arrived, being a shipment received from England at Seattle by Hofs & Co. Forty cars of this steel, 1500 tons, are now here or arriving, and Mr. Hofs arrived from Seattle this morning to attend to the delivery. It is 56-pound steel, and will go forward to the Lyle-Goldendale road at once, shipped from here to Lyle by the Regulator line of boats.

# MINER KILLED

(Journal Special Service.)  
COTTAGE GROVE, Sept. 19.—A. V. Hancock, a miner, was killed in one of the tunnels at the Helena mine in the Bohemia mining district, about 11 o'clock last night. The particulars have not yet been learned. Mr. Hancock was a middle-aged man and has worked in Bohemia for some time. The remains are expected to arrive here tonight.

# LAURA'S APPEAL

Miss Biggar Desires to Have Bennett's Will Set Aside.

LONG BEACH, N. J., Sept. 19.—Arguments were begun before Justice Heisley today in the appeal of Laura Biggar, the actress, to have set aside the probate of the will of the late Henry M. Bennett, a millionaire who left Miss Biggar the bulk of his fortune. The case already has occupied the attention of the courts and public for some time and it promises to be still more interesting before it is concluded. When it became known that the bulk of Mr. Bennett's estate had been left to Miss Biggar the other legatees and kindred began a contest of the will, but this was recently settled. It was thought the matter had been closed, and that Miss Biggar had taken possession of the valuable New York City property left to her. But the move resulting in today's court proceedings gave an entirely new turn to the affair. By an affidavit filed with the court asking for a reopening of the case Miss Biggar declares that she and Mr. Bennett were married in 1898, and that after his death she gave birth to a child, which died on August 13 last; that in Mr. Bennett's will no mention was made of this child, and that by reason of the child's birth the will was void. Should the application to set the will aside be granted Miss Biggar will receive the entire property, both real and personal.

# PERSIAN RAILWAY

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 19.—The Russian Government has decided to construct an immense railway system in Persia, for which purpose the czar has summoned Count Lamsdorf, Russian Minister for Foreign Affairs, to take steps for carrying out the project.

# MANY KILLED IN COLLISIONS

Frightful Railroad Accidents Cause Several Deaths—Loaded Passenger Trains Crash Into Each Other.

Serious Wrecks On the Northern Pacific This Morning Near Tacoma—Operator's Mistake Brings Disaster on Pennsylvania Road.

(Journal Special Service.)

TACOMA, Sept. 19.—The worst wreck in the history of the Northern Pacific railroad occurred at Easton last evening, where there was a head-on collision between two freight trains, resulting in the loss of two lives, the destruction of many thousands dollars' worth of property, and being responsible for another accident at Covington, in which 15 people were injured. Two freight trains running at a high rate of speed crashed together at the little town of Easton, completely demolishing the engines and killing Engineer A. J. Adams, Fireman H. S. Shaffer and badly injuring brakeman Oswald. As a result of the wreck two passenger trains were sent back from Easton to go East over the Great Northern. One stopped to take water at Covington, when the other, running at the rate of 40 miles an hour, crashed into the rear end, telescoping the baggage and mail cars of the first train. Fortunately no one was killed, but between 15 and 20 people were more or less seriously injured.

**ANOTHER ACCOUNT.**

TACOMA, Sept. 19.—A head-on collision which resulted in loss of life and caused an immense amount of damage to property, occurred between two Northern Pacific freight trains near Easton last night. Engineer A. J. Adams and Fireman N. S. Shaffer, both of Tacoma, were instantly killed. The road is blocked, and it will probably be 24 hours before traffic can be resumed. East-bound passenger trains Nos. 4 and 6, leaving Tacoma, were unable to get through and turned back to this city. It is impossible at this time to estimate the amount of damage done. Both engines are wrecked and several freight cars badly damaged.

# MONEY SHORTAGE

Being Relieved—Secretary Shaw Will Let Loose \$10,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Secretary Shaw today decided to take energetic steps to relieve the money stringency that has ruled for some time past, and will add to the distribution of cash that has been making among the national banks under bonds to secure deposits. The total of such relief, with what has been distributed recently, will amount to \$10,000,000. The deposits will be completed with the next few days, and it is hoped that the situation will be at once relieved.

# HOP PICKERS OUT ON STRIKE

Workers in Eugene Yard Demand an Increase of Wages.

(Journal Special Service.)

EUGENE, Or., Sept. 19.—Two or three hundred pickers in the Campbell & Thornsbury hop yard, northwest of Eugene, went out on a strike yesterday afternoon. They have been receiving 80 cents per 100 pounds, but now demand \$1 per 100. As pickers are hard to secure it is probable that the owners of the yard will accede to the demands of the pickers. It will require 10 days or two weeks yet to harvest the crop in this section, and as the rainy season is approaching growers are beginning to feel uneasy. With plenty of help and dry weather the crop may be harvested, but from the present outlook many of the hops will be damaged, if not lost altogether.

# FAVORS COMPANY.

TRENTON, Sept. 19.—The Court of Errors and Appeals today reserved vice-Chancellor Emery's decision in the United States Steel Company case. The decision today is in favor of the corporation. The effect of the decision is to permit the trust to go ahead with its purpose of converting \$200,000,000 of its preferred stock into bonds.

# HE GOES TO BALTIMORE.

DES MOINES, Sept. 19.—The next Sovereign Grand Lodge meeting of Odd Fellows was captured by Baltimore, after a close contest. The Hot Springs organization, the National Council Patriarchs Militant, was effected here today. General Raney, of Marengo Ia. will undoubtedly be chosen National Commander.

(Journal Special Service.)

Another serious collision occurred this morning near Covington. No. 6 passenger train, running 40 miles an hour, ran into No. 4, telegraphing the baggage and mail cars. Three mail clerks and an express messenger were badly injured, but not seriously. The damage to the coaches will amount to several thousand dollars.

# PITTSBURG SMASH.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Sept. 19.—Two passenger trains on the Pittsburgh & Western collided head-on near Witter at 10 o'clock this morning, killing George Chugerty, a brakeman; William Benedict, an engineer; Thomas Dugan, a fireman; Fay Demoss, a boilermaker and William Graham, and the fireman and fatally injured H. E. Chambers, an engineer, and seriously injured C. W. Crossman, an express messenger. The collision occurred on a sharp curve, both trains running at full speed. One locomotive projected over the top of the other and the baggage and express cars were demolished. The bodies of the dead brakeman, engineer, and fireman were found pinned beneath the wrecked engines. The cause of the accident was a mistake of a telegraph operator. A few passengers were seriously hurt. Among them was Mrs. Louse Stifel of Lawrenceville.

# FREIGHT TRAIN PARTS.

SUNBURY, Sept. 19.—A Philadelphia & Reading freight train parted near here early this morning and later collided. James Farley, James Price, Michael Duffel and John McCarthy, all of Mount Camel, were badly injured. Price and Duffel will probably die.

# TOWARD THE WEST

President Left Oyster Bay at 9:30 This Morning.

OYSTER BAY, Sept. 19.—President Roosevelt begins his western trip today. At 9:30 this morning the President and his party, consisting, in part, of Secretary Cortelyou, Secretary Barna, Dr. Lung and other members of his personal staff, started on his tour of the middle west. He is expected to leave Jersey City for Cincinnati this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The itinerary of the President's trip is as follows:  
September 19, Oyster Bay, (starting point); September 20, Cincinnati; September 21-22, Detroit; September 23, Indianapolis and Ft. Wayne; September 24, Milwaukee; September 25-26, Minneapolis and St. Paul; September 27, Sioux Falls and Yankton; September 28, Omaha; September 29, Topeka; September 30, Kansas City, Mo., and Kansas City, Kan., and St. Joseph; September 30, Iowa points; October 1, St. Louis; October 2, Springfield Ill.; October 3, Chicago; October 4, en route Chicago-Cleveland; October 5, Cleveland; October 6, Columbus; October 7, Washington D. C. (on return.)

# WAS NANSEN'S SHIP

Steamer Fram Bringing Sverdrup Polar Expedition.

CHRISTIANA, Sept. 19.—The steamer Fram which passed this morning has on board the Sverdrup Polar expedition, which left Sørlandet for home in August. She had been North four years previously as the famous Nansen's ship.

# \$50,000 FORGERY

Bookkeeper Arrested in London on Serious Charge.

LONDON, Sept. 19.—Lawrence Greig, a bookkeeper, was charged in the police court today with forging checks to the amount of \$50,000. The checks were signed "Carnegie Steel Company."