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LAWS WANTED TO SAVE TREES

A Committee Is Drafting Them Today.

Will Be Placed Before Legislature and Their Speedy Adoption Will Be Urged.

Great property loss and much suffering from recent forest fires in the Northwest has called forcibly to the minds of those interested in the preservation of forests that some steps should be taken at once or the future may bring forth many undesirable incidents and conditions. To devise suitable laws for the prevention of forest fires and to place the same before the Oregon State Legislature at its next regular session is the object of a meeting which is being held this afternoon in the office of S. Benson, in the Chamber of Commerce Building. Mr. Benson is a leading logger, and those interested with him in the movement are connected in various ways with the lumber industry. The following persons are at the meeting as delegates:

S. Benson, logger, of Portland.
W. B. Ayre, of the Eastern & Western Lumber Co., Portland.
G. H. Andrews, assistant land agent for the Oregon & California Railroad Company.
R. A. Booth, manager for the Booth-Kelly Lumber Company, of Eugene.
George N. Cromwell, editor of the Columbia River "Pioneer."

At a meeting held at the Hotel Portland six weeks ago attended by prominent timber men from all over the State of Oregon, it was decided that the best way of preventing forest burnings in the future was to have enacted laws sufficiently stringent to prevent carelessness with fire where property or standing timber would be endangered. But there was not time, nor had the subject been sufficiently reflected upon, for the drafting of those laws at that time. It was decided that this important matter should be left in the hands of a specially appointed committee, and that committee was named as above.

The meeting today is to formulate the needed laws. When completed they will be laid before the Legislature and their speedy enactment urged.

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WILL AID THE MARINE MEN

Engineers Are Requested to Take Hold.

The Portland Chamber of Commerce is in favor of telegraphic communication between Tillamook Rock and the mainland. Some time ago the Astoria Chamber of Commerce addressed a letter to the Portland Chamber of Commerce recommending that action be taken on this by the local body in conjunction with the Astoria Chamber and was referred to the committee on navigation.

QUICK FLOP ON SHINGLES

In direct contradiction to the report of yesterday's information today reached the office of the Wisconsin Central that the former rate of 13 cents per 100 pounds on shingles shipped from St. Paul to Chicago would be restored on January 15. On December 11 a reduction of 2 cents was made, paying the tariff 10 cents. Those wishing to secure advantages from this low rate must ship within a reasonably short time. Local officials are determining the reason for the announced stand of yesterday. The restoration of the high duty will have an important effect on the shingle industry in the Pacific Northwest.

DASHED DOWN TO HIS DEATH

At 1 o'clock Hans Simonson, employed at the Inman-Parker mill, while engaged in loading a scow with timbers, fell from a scaffold 20 feet high. He struck on the rough edges of the lumber and was seriously injured. He was taken to the Good Samaritan Hospital in an unconscious condition. A number of his ribs are broken and his head is badly cut, and it is thought that he has sustained fatal internal injuries. He has a family residing on the East Side.

REPORT OF ADVERTISING.

Adolph Wolfe, chairman of the joint advertising committee of the Chamber of Commerce and Board of Trade, which collected and disbursed the fund for the publication of the Harriman booklet and advertising the resources of Oregon in the Minneapolis Evening Journal, submitted a report to the Chamber of Commerce this afternoon. This report shows that \$2,725 was subscribed, besides \$1 yet in the hands of the Board of Trade, and \$2,725 expended. The report occupies five typewritten pages and states the names of the subscribers to the fund and the amount of the subscription.

KILLED MILLIONAIRE FISH.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Detective Thomas Sharkey was convicted this afternoon of killing Millionaire Fish. The jury brought in a verdict of manslaughter in the second degree, with a recommendation for mercy. He will be sentenced Monday.

EX-POLICE CAPTAIN ON TRIAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Former Police Captain Daniel C. Moynihan was arraigned today before Justice Davy, in the criminal branch of the supreme court on the charge of accepting a bribe. It is alleged in a sworn affidavit made by the Astoria Chamber of Commerce and forwarded to the former police captain is estimated in the neighborhood of half a million dollars. He has engaged eminent counsel for his defense and declares that he will have no difficulty in proving his innocence of the charges brought against him.

COFFMAN'S XMAS CANDLES.

THE EMELIE'S HUNGRY CREW

Before German Consul Pleading for Discharge

Drunken Officers Starved Them and Subjected Them to All Sorts of Abuse.

Thirteen gaunt, but determined looking men were unfolding a tale of woe this morning before the German consul. They are members of the crew of the German ship Emelie, which arrived in port yesterday from Antwerp. For over three months they claim that they have been verging on starvation and subjected to the abuse of drunken and tyrannical officers, and they are pleading for their immediate discharge.

"We left Antwerp more than five months ago," they say, "and we have been compelled to subsist entirely on a diet of beans and peas. Captain Dahn and the first mate were drunk the greater part of the time throughout the voyage, and it fell to the lot of the second mate to bring in the ship. He treated us fine and did all he could to improve our condition, but the drunken brutes over him kept an eye on his every action. Treat them like cattle," was the command of his superior officers, and they enforced it at every opportunity.

AN INHUMAN ACT.

"On December 3 a storm was encountered, and one of the young sailors was at the wheel working with all his might. It was a wild day, and for a time it looked as though the ship might be lost. When the storm was at its height, Captain Dahn came reeling along, drunk and sullen as usual, and without any warning struck the youth over the head with his clenched fist, and told him to go to work. This is only one of the many disgraceful instances of that man's brutality.

"The night before last, when coming around the horn, a sailor was sent aloft to unfurl the topsail. He completed the task, and then descended. The captain met him on the deck and countermanded the order, keeping the sailor running up and down the ladder until he was exhausted. He was again drunk, and not aware of what he was doing.

LIVED IN LUXURY.

"While we were slowly starving the inhuman monster and the first mate were living in luxury. They had meat and supplies of all kinds, in addition to the choicest of liquor. The second mate is our friend and is helping us to get our discharge. If there is any justice we will succeed. It is intolerable to work and starve and be treated so well, particularly in a half-starved condition. That is one of the hungriest ships that ever sailed into a harbor. All of us would have deserted at Astoria, but that would have pleased the captain too well. We have over five months wages coming to us."

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Will enable you to put Xmas cheer on your floors. You can make a gift to the family that will brighten the entire winter.
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THE BENTLEY LAW PASSED

Flegel Ordinance Shelved--Ten-Minute Session.

At the adjourned meeting of the Common Council this afternoon the Bentley ordinance regulating boxes in saloons and restaurants was passed by a unanimous vote.

The Flegel ordinance was indefinitely postponed.

The Council then voted to meet one week from today, at which time the order of business will be the consideration of the bankrupt street railway franchise.

The Council meeting lasted just ten minutes, and there was no discussion at all over any of the matters which were considered.

BURNED MILLIONS IN STAMPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Owing to the famine prices of anthracite coal, the bureau of printing and engraving has resorted to the unprecedented expedient of burning up more than a million dollars' worth of stamps to keep the building warm. At least, the stamps were worth that before the war revenue tax was repealed.

Forty thousand dollars of the paper was mixed with the ordinary fuel every day for a month and the price of a ton of precious coal saved every 24 hours.

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POLICE DON'T SEEM TO CARE

Robbery of Plumbing Shop Is Reported.

Another robbery has been added to the long list of those reported to the Portland police, and in which no action has been taken.

Some one entered the plumbing shop of T. J. Rowe, 112 Grand avenue, near East Alder street, a few days ago. The safe was opened and the sum of \$65 stolen.

When the loss was discovered Mr. Rowe at once notified the police, but up to this time they do not take enough interest in the case to send a man to investigate.

The robbery is mysterious in that the doors and windows of the shop were locked. It is said that when he left the shop on Wednesday evening he was carrying in the combination and lock the safe. This was found open yesterday morning and \$65 missing.

It was very evident that the robbers were scared off, as they overlooked a \$10 gold piece which was lying in one of the safe drawers. A kit of plumbing tools were lying on top of a grindstone, where they had been taken by the burglars in their efforts to get them out of the shop. A rear window was forced open from the inside and the burglars made an unsuccessful attempt to get out that way. The window would not open wide enough, however, and the escape was made by some other exit.

"The work was most likely done by some one familiar with the combination of the safe," says Mr. Rowe, "but who it is I don't know."

KAISER RECEIVES TOWER.

BERLIN, Dec. 19.—Charles Tower, the new United States Ambassador to Germany, was presented to the Kaiser today. The audience lasted half an hour.

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CITIZEN SHOOTS AT A BURGLAR

E. F. Sargeant Has an Exciting Experience.

E. F. Sargeant of 145 1-2 Eleventh street had an exciting experience with a would-be burglar last evening at his home. Sargeant had not been feeling well, and his wife stepped out to a neighbor's house to telephone for a physician. In a few minutes Mrs. Sargeant returned. Presently she heard some one open the front door, and thinking it was the doctor, thought nothing of it. Just finding that the intruder remained in the hall, Mrs. Sargeant approached him and inquired his business. The burly fellow refused to talk and stood perfectly still. Becoming thoroughly alarmed, Mrs. Sargeant called her husband, and forthwith the unwelcome guest was sent tumbling down the front steps. As an evidence that he did not relish the rough treatment that he received, the "butter-in" smashed the glass door as a sort of revenge. Sick as he was, Sargeant sought his pistol and came upon the scree and fired three shots at his hastily retreating form. He has not been seen since.

CHARITY BOARD MEETS.

A meeting of the executive board of the Conference of Churches and Correction met yesterday afternoon and discussed the proposed charity law to be brought before the Legislature. The bill for the transportation of the insane to the asylum by trained nurses was referred to T. N. Strong, who will complete it and offer it to the Multnomah delegation. It was decided to postpone the annual meeting till some time in March, when Rev. Dr. Emil Hirsch of Chicago will visit Portland and deliver the annual address.