

SUCKERS ARE THE VICTIMS

One of the Strain's Outfit Tells a Poor Lad That the Firm "Is in the Business" of Buncoing People and to "Come Again."

Driver Pays a Big Price for a Cotton Misfit and When He Complained Was Spoken to as Quoted Above.

The shameful fakes perpetrated by the misfit clothing stores known as The Hub and as Strains' have, until exposed by The Journal, worked great harm on the poorer classes of this city and throughout the State. These two bunco stores are operating under the very noses of the Police Department. Every day people come to The Journal office and tell stories of having bought goods at the fake stores on misrepresentation.

One of the most striking stories of how the man Strain is working innocent people is told by C. K. Brennan, a driver for the Post Special Delivery. Mr. Brennan says:

"On the 15th of last month I bought a suit of clothes from Strain and paid \$2.50 for it. The cards in the window said that every buyer of a suit would receive a pair of suspenders with his purchase. I forgot to get the suspenders when I paid for the suit, but later thought about it, but not till after I had examined the clothes at home and found that I had paid my money for a cotton misfit that was not worth \$2. I went back to the store and expressed my opinion of the method of doing business and demanded my money back. Of course I did not get it. I then demanded the suspenders and they were refused. The man in charge said:

"You'll have to go down to The Hub if you want the suspenders."

When I protested, these were just the words of the bunco artist:

"**DOORS AROUND AGAIN IF YOU WANT TO GO DOWN TO THE HUB IN THE BUSINESS OF DOING SUCKERS.**"

"This is a nice store to advertise in a respectable newspaper," added Mr. Brennan in disgust.

Having been deceived a faker and an employer of non-union men by the president of the local Tailors' Union, and being barred from advertising their cotton make-believes in The Journal, the Strain outfit has taken on a new change of coat and has modeled the signs so that they will not be such barefaced evidence of falsehood as they were.

Further evidence of the "P. M." or over-charge system that The Hub and Strains' have been working the poor people has been obtained by The Journal. This system is worked principally on people from the country who have not time to make investigation as to the best store to buy at. There were some clerks who made \$10 per week catching "suckers" and this was done by raising the price on goods above the value placed upon them by the marker. Any clerk who can swindle a countryman out of an excess price is entitled to 25 and 25 per cent of the illegitimate receipts.

The fakers felt secure in their swindle because they did not think a newspaper would expose them. They supposed that by putting out a few dollars a month in advertising the press could be subsidized.

ENFORCING RULES

(Journal Special Service.) VANCOUVER, Wash., June 6.—Commissioner Robert Lowe is at La Center aiding Deputy County Physician Snider in handling the smallpox epidemic there. All three deputy physicians are at various points in the county working with the epidemic and report that generally conditions are better, and the contagion has about run its course.

The county health officers do not coincide with the statements made by Woods Hutchinson that La Center is the worst of the trouble. He says that the epidemic is spreading from La Center to the surrounding country, but that the epidemic is not being taken. County physician, Dr. J. R. Smith, has recently been compelled to leave his work on account of his health, and the epidemic is repeating in Southern California. Dr. R. G. Black, first deputy, has been appointed county physician during the absence of Dr. Smith.

STREET CAR ACCIDENT

Arthur Lettera, a 12-year-old boy, had his left arm broken and his head slightly cut late this afternoon as a result of the express wagon in which he was riding being struck by a City & Suburban street car. The youth was taken to the Beverly, where his parents reside.

PELLING, HUNGARY, BURNS

(Journal Special Service.) VIENNA, June 6.—The town of Pelling, in Hungary, was totally destroyed by fire today. Seven people were burned to death.

SALISBURY IMPROVED

(Journal Special Service.) LONDON, June 6.—The condition of Lord Salisbury is reported as considerably improved this morning, though it is not as his family would like it to be.

St. Louis
A.B.C. BEERS
The Highest Priced but the Best Quality.
Order from
Pfeiffer & Meyer Company

COURT DECIDES IN FAVOR OF MACHINE BIGGEST FAILURE YEARS

Jack Matthews' Political Designs For Reorganization of Port of Portland Commission Seem Likely to Prove Successful.

The following is a brief history of the celebrated Port of Portland Commission case:

At the recent session of the Oregon Legislature a bill was introduced reorganizing the Port of Portland Commission, replacing certain members of the old board.

Notwithstanding the fact that The Journal repeatedly called attention to the fact that Jack Matthews' political machine was back of the project and that in the interests of the Port of Portland and the people of the Northwest generally no change should be made, the act was passed.

It was then claimed by the old Commissioners that the new law was defective and that the act which was drawn to repeal and supersede had already been repealed previously to the action taken by the recent Legislature. Opinions to this effect were obtained from prominent attorneys and the old board refused to vacate.

Suit was then brought by the new Commissioners to force the old members to retire, and the decision rendered today, in favor of the plaintiffs, is the result.

Unless an appeal to the Supreme Court is taken the contest for membership of the Port of Portland Commission is ended and the old board has been ousted in favor of the new, this decision having been handed down this morning by Judge Arthur L. Frazer, of the Circuit Court, all associate judges concurring.

That an appeal will be taken seems assured; for the question of the validity of the law brings also under doubt the legality of any action that might be taken by the new Commissioners after entering office and renders possible the disarrangement if not entire prevention of any business.

An appeal taken to the Supreme Court and a decision resulting would render such complications impossible as everything would then be settled for all time.

The old Port of Portland Commission, which under today's decision is compelled to vacate, consisted of M. C. Bannfield, president; Ellis G. Hughes, John McCracken, Ben Bell, Alfred Tucker, C. F. Swigert and C. F. Adams.

Mr. Swigert and Mr. Adams are also included in the membership of the new Commission, the others being John Driscoll, Archie Pease, E. W. Spencer, P. L. Willis and B. Thomas.

It is not yet known just when the change can be effected.

Action of the court was taken on a demurrer to the complaint filed by the new Commissioners. Legal talent appeared for the old board and argued in favor of the demurrer, but the stand they took was overruled by Judge Frazer

and his associates, M. A. George and Alfred Benar, Jr.

An alleged blunder on the part of those who drew the new Port of Portland act offered grounds for the refusal of the old board to surrender office. It was claimed by expert lawyers, who examined the new bill, that the law repealed by the act of 1901, which it would be necessary to annul before its successor could become active, was not in any way affected by the desperate efforts of the Matthews machine at the recent Legislative session.

The defense, set up by the old Commissioners was that neither in title nor in the new act is the act of March 1, 1901, creating the Commission, at present in power, alluded to. The act which is referred to, and which both the title and body thereof purport to amend, is that of February 18, 1899. This latter act was, however, expressly repealed by the act of 1901, under which the old Commission served.

At the time the Matthews machine was sitting up nights and holding midnight sessions at the State Capitol in the effort to secure passage of the new bill, The Journal exposed the plot of the L. Willis and B. Thomas, who were to gain influence and patronage through its manipulation. In order to work its will in this matter the Matthews apparatus was forced to adopt desperate measures and a list of aspirants was being sent out to a committee meeting to bring about the desired membership.

A general alarm was at once sent out and mounted soldiers were dispatched in several parties to scour the wilds about the reservation and to examine all trains and boats that left the town. No further word was received of the six escaped prisoners until midnight, when four troopers rode into the fort with two disheveled captives. The two men captured were the least desired of the six, since they were waiting sentence and their offense had not been especially serious.

The two men taken were Privates Wandry and Saylor. Wandry was formerly a drum major and gained local notoriety by deserting his wife and later by stealing from his fellow soldiers. He escaped after being caught and for some months kept in hiding, but recently he was captured and found guilty of larceny.

Their Crimes.

The four men still at liberty are R. F. Baker, sentenced to 18 months for desertion; J. C. Manser, sentenced to a year for desertion; "Myra" Bowler, sentenced to 18 months for desertion; and J. B. King, under an eight-month sentence for larceny. All four are said to be expert bushrangers and the officers of the guard have a slight hope of catching them near the barracks or town, and are relying on other authorities taking them through printed descriptions which are being sent over the entire region.

Through the night the streets of Vancouver were patrolled by armed men and today the railway station, ferry landing and boat docks were closely watched. Several mounted squads are still in pursuit, but no trail has so far been discovered.

The last escape from the garrison was three months ago, when one private slipped away from the gang while gathering wood. He has not since been captured. The escapes of last night regarded by the officers as the most serious in the fort's history.

LOS ANGELES THE SCENE OF STRIKE

Butchers, Cooks, Waiters and Drivers Inaugurate Trouble in Queen City of Southern California.

(Journal Special Service.) LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 6.—The strike of butchers at the Los Angeles County works is spreading to all the restaurants, hotels and meat markets in this city. Drivers at the plants have gone out, refusing to carry non-union meat. Butchers in all retail shops have followed suit. The cooks and waiters met last night and decided to do the same, if the proprietors of places where they work get meat from Maer. Other packing houses have joined Maer and this morning they all refused to take Maer's meat which would be boycotted by all other plants. One butcher who violated union rules caused all the trouble. Maer refused to discharge him when requested to do so.

EXPLOSION OF CAR OF POWDER

(Journal Special Service.) PHOENIX, June 6.—Thirty-five thousand pounds of giant powder, en route from Prescott to Phoenix, exploded last night near Glendale, nine miles north of this place. Four cars were smashed to kindling wood, a hole 15 feet deep was blown in the ground, and every window in a radius of three miles was broken, but the strangest feature of all, nobody was seriously hurt.

The explosion was caused by a fire on the corner of the car from a hot box or sparks. It was discovered by a brakeman named McArdle and the train was stopped. With reckless bravery McArdle started back to put the fire out. When he was the length of a car away, he blew up, hurling him through the air, and blowing Engineer Chambers and Fireman Shipp from the cab.

All three were cut and bruised, the worst injury being the rupture of the drums of Shipp's ears and McArdle's chest.

The flash was seen in Phoenix and the ground shaken. Hundreds went out to the scene. A relief train was sent from Phoenix and the injured brought here. The wreckage caught fire and burned all but four cars. Three cars of cattle were pushed out of the way and saved. A car of railroad spikes next to the powder went up and the iron rained all over the country. The crew and several passengers in the cabooses were unhurt.

THREE YOUNG GIRLS BATHE, ONE DROWNED

(Journal Special Service.) OROVILLE, June 6.—Three young ladies living on the west side of the Feather River in the locality known as Dredgeville went down to the river at 6 o'clock late evening to go in bathing. There is very deep water at places and almost as soon as they stepped in two were swept off their feet and one, Adeline Cheahire, was drowned. The second girl caught a limb of a tree and hung on until rescued. The body of the drowned girl was recovered in two minutes, but life was extinct.

REDUCED THREE-DAY RATES TO YAKIMA AND NEWPORT

Commencing June 6, the Southern Pacific Company will place on sale Saturday to Monday tickets to Yakima and Newport and return, at rate of \$2.00. This affords an excellent opportunity to spend Sunday at this popular seaside resort.

Season tickets to same points will be placed on sale June 1, at rate of \$8.00.

ABOUT ICE CREAM

The Swetland Candy Company, under the management of Lot Q. Swetland, formerly proprietor of Swetland's, are making the best ice cream in Portland. While the quality of this company's product is the highest, the prices are not, on the contrary, they are reasonable, and the service prompt and satisfactory.

They announce that from this date French ice cream will be made daily in their genuine French freezer, which, by the way, is the only one in use in town.

By way of specials for tomorrow, French, pineapple, caramel, bisque and marshmallow ice creams and current and orange water ices are the leaders. Strawberry fruit, chocolate and vanilla always on hand, and all kinds of fancy ice creams and sherbets prepared and delivered on short notice.

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The most delightful trip across the continent is via the Denver & Rio Grande, the scenic line of the world. Arrive at 124 Third St., Portland, and take no other

DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS

Cure every kidney ill from bacilli to diabetes.

Here's a Portland case to prove it: Mrs. D. Murphy, widow, who lives at 395 Ivon street, says: "Years ago, when living in Kansas, I was greatly troubled with kidney complaint. At that time I was, I might say, perfectly helpless for months, but in time it wore away as mysteriously as it came. It did not bother me again until last fall, when there was every symptom of its return, and knowing what I had suffered formerly, I began to look around for something to check it, and on looking over the paper I noticed Doan's Kidney Pills highly recommended, so I procured them at the Lane-Davis Drug Co.'s store, corner of Yamhill and Third streets, and took them as directed. It only required a few days' treatment to ward off the attack. Since then I have recommended Doan's Kidney Pills to a number of my friends."

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CHEMICAL ANALYSIS.

Reveals That "Pe-ru-na is Calculated to Tone up the System, Restore the Functions and Procure Health."

SO SAYS PROF. L. J. MILLER, CHEMIST.

Eppinger & Co., of San Francisco, One of the Largest Grain Houses in the United States, Fails For Millions.

(Journal Special Service.) SAN FRANCISCO, June 6.—Eppinger & Co., one of the largest grain-dealing firms in the United States, failed today. The loss will run into the millions. It is supposed that the London, Paris and American banks are heavy losers.

Y. M. C. A. MINSTRELS A SUCCESS

Boys Put Up a Clever Show at the Association Auditorium.

Something real novel in the entertaining line was given at the Y. M. C. A. last night by 40 members of the association, under the auspices of the "Lancers" Club and the direction of the physical director, M. M. Ringler. A crowded house greeted the Knights of the Tamborine and Bones, who produced the fun and sang some very tuneful melodies. The endmen, George Eastman, Fred Jones, Sam Jordan and Sidney Beck, were four as original and mirth-provoking minstrel artists as are ever seen together. George Eastman's jokes were very original and were given in his inimitable manner. His song, "I'm Going to Leave," captivated the audience. The grand military opening number of the first part was a very pretty feature. The soloists and chorists were in full dress National Guard uniform, while the endmen were dressed as chefs de cuisine. Prof. Ringler acted as interactor and in his easy manner kept things moving very rapidly. The opening medley consisted of a number of military songs, which being sung around the campfire, made a very effective picture. The endmen were introduced, singing "Sammy Sampson's Band" and playing upon solos of a very original character. Mr. J. E. Hurlbut sang "Where the Silvery Colorado Winds Its Way," which was very acceptable. He was followed by Portland's favorite comedian, Sam Jordan, who made a decided hit with his side-splitting jokes and his comic song, "Kiss Youngs Goodbye." Reuben Adams sang "The Loveliest in Your Eyes" in good voice and was heartily cheered. I. D. Boyer's ballad, "Mona," was rendered in a very effective manner and was followed by the King of the Blackville Tribe, Fred Jones, who brought down the house with his monologue and song, "I'll Be Busy All Next Week." Responding to an encore, he sang an original version of President Roosevelt's visit to the West, which elicited tumultuous applause. H. L. Hudson's rendering of the song, "At the Bottom of the Deep Blue Sea," in a deep and clear basso, was heartily applauded. The old-time favorite, Sidney Beck, kept the audience in a state of laughter in his song, "Oh, My!" and Prof. Hodges sang "Rosalee" very acceptably. His sweet tenor voice showed off to excellent advantage last night. The first part closed with "Under the Bamboo Tree," rendered by the endmen in a side-splitting manner. The second part consisted of some very clever specialties in pyramid-building and horizontal bar feats by the Leaders' Club. Harvey Bailey put on a very clever acrobatic turn, and the sketch by Beck and Davis pleased the audience. During the number Mr. Levy entertained with the monster Victor Talking Machine.

Same program will be repeated tonight at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, 8:15.

GENERAL BEEBE ON JURY

Serves in Larceny Case in Municipal Court—Defendant Quickly Found Not Guilty.

General Charles F. Beebe served on a jury in the case of the State of Oregon against Pearl Williams, the defendant being charged with the larceny of \$5 from one J. P. Warren. It took the jury but a few minutes to bring in a verdict of acquittal.

J. F. Warren alleged that Pearl Williams, daughter of wealthy Tacoma people, had robbed him of a gold ring of the value of \$500. The stand. All testified that Pearl Williams did not take the money, and the jury believed their statement.

The jurors were General Charles F. Beebe, J. H. Ames, L. H. Parker and S. P. Lee.

SO DECEPTIVE.

Many Portland People Fail to Realize the Seriousness.

Backache is so deceptive. It comes and goes—keeps you guessing. Learn the cause, then cure it. Nine times out of ten it comes from the kidneys. That's why Doan's Kidney Pills cure it. Cure every kidney ill from bacilli to diabetes.

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Big Cocoanut Oil Refinery May Be Moved From Singapore, India, to Portland and Much Money Invested.

Portland may secure the big cocoanut oil refinery that is now located at Singapore, India. That is, Portland may secure the plant if it makes an effort to get it. The company favors Portland as its coast agency here.

A cocoanut oil refinery does not seem anything very big when mentioned without explanation, but the Singapore concern is a big affair and removal of its not only the greater part of the United States, but a large part of Europe. Many men would be employed and a great deal of money spent, and besides there would be a number of shipments by steamer and sailing vessel into Portland that would tend to largely stimulate the Port and Asiatic trade.

At the Postland Hotel is registered Mr. T. Kobel, the general manager of the plant. Mr. Kobel is an Austrian and represents interests that involve an investment of nearly ten millions of dollars. The gentleman has just returned from San Francisco and Los Angeles, and both of the California cities have made concessions to the oil refinery owners that are considered most generous.

MOTHERS! Mothers!! Mothers!!!

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup

Has been used for over SIXTY YEARS by MILLIONS OF MOTHERS FOR THEIR CHILDREN WHILE THREATING, WITH PERFECT SUCCESS, IT SOOTHES THE CHILD, SOFTENS THE GUMS, ALLAYS ALL PAIN; CURES WIND COLIC, and is the best remedy for DIARRHEA. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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"Feel Better Than for Five Years." Mr. James B. Taylor, Roberts, Ind., writes:

"I am at the present time entirely well. I can eat anything I ever could. I took five bottles of Peruna, and feel better now than I have for five years. I have doctor with other doctors off and on for fifteen years, so I can recommend your medicine very highly for stomach troubles. I take great pleasure in thanking you for your free advice and Peruna."—James B. Taylor.

"I Enjoy my Meals as I Used to." Mr. J. W. Pritchard, Wolf Lake, Ind., writes:

"I am pleased to say that I have been cured of catarrh of the stomach by Peruna. I could hardly eat anything that agreed with me. Before I would get half through my meal my stomach would fill with gas causing me much distress and unpleasant feelings for an hour or two after each meal. But, thanks to your Peruna, I am now completely cured, and can eat anything I want to without any of the distressing symptoms. I can now enjoy my meals as I used to do, and it is all due to Dr. Hartman and his wonderful medicine, Peruna."

"It has been 'one year' since I was cured, and I am all O. K. yet, so I know I am cured."—J. W. Pritchard.

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