

O. R. & N. DOES NOT FEAR WAR

PRESIDENT MOHLER SAYS TROUBLE IN THE FAR EAST WILL NOT EFFECT CARRYING TRADE OF HIS COMPANY—NO DIFFICULTY IN SECURING VESSELS.

The Oregon Railroad & Navigation company does not fear the effect of an Oriental war on its carrying trade, nor does it anticipate any trouble in securing vessels when the leases on the British steamers Indrapurna, Indrapura and Indravelli expire.

President A. L. Mohler of the O. R. & N. stated this morning that the company was not troubled over the war outlook. He said: "As yet no one can tell what will be the result of the Eastern situation, but we do not anticipate any trouble in our carrying business. We will have no trouble in securing vessels for the Oriental trade."

When asked if the three steamers at present leased by the company were not subject to the rules of the British merchant marine, and liable to be pressed into transport service in case of a general war or any considerable Eastern trouble, Mr. Mohler said:

"Should such be the case there are plenty of vessels. Whether this would enter into our renewal of a contract with the company in England or not I do not know, but vessels are plentiful any way."

Concerning the question of war insurance on Eastern traders, Mr. Mohler said: "We only handle the cargo and are not interested in the protection of the vessels from that standpoint. The owners insure the vessels and we have nothing to do with it."

President Mohler has authorized the announcement that the Oriental service from Portland would be increased by the addition of four new vessels. This will give to Portland seven liners with a combined capacity of 50,000 tons. The new arrangement will become effective next month.

The new schedule goes into effect through an arrangement between the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company and the China Commercial Steam Navigation company from this port will be differential rates in favor of San Francisco being abolished and in Portland gaining adequate representation in the far East. This combination is expected to stop the rate war now raging on Chinese shipments from the Pacific coast and the China Commercial fleet will be used from Portland instead of from San Francisco, thus cutting out one of the chief causes of trouble at the Southern port, that is, too many competitors.

The new vessels are: Clavering, Lothian, Ching Wo and Athol. The dates of sailing from this port will be: Clavering, February 2, June 9, September 17, December 26; Lothian, March 26, July 4, October 12, January 20, 1903; Ching Wo, April 20, July 23, November 4, February 14, 1905; Athol, May 15, August 23, December 3, March 11, 1905.

The increase in service will give Portland a steamer to Asiatic ports about every 15 days. The three ships now in the employ of the company will sail on the 25th of each month as previously.

The new vessels are none of them as large as the three now in service, except the Lothian, which has the same carrying capacity, 8,000 tons, as the Indrapura and the Indravelli. The Lothian is of the latest British type, having been built at Glasgow in 1902; and the Athol was built at Glasgow in 1901, and has a carrying capacity of 7,500 tons.

SAYS LEGAL FEES WERE NOT PAID

Attorney John F. Watts has brought suit in Justice Reid's court against Ida M. Long for \$100 in fees and the costs of the case.

According to the complaint, the firm of Murphy, Sweet & Watts was engaged March 26, 1903, to look up and ascertain the location and amount of money and property belonging to the defendant, the fees to be half of what was collected for Mrs. Long. It is pointed out that the attorneys ascertained that \$200 was due the defendant, and therefore Mr. Watts asks for half of that sum. The claim was transferred to Watts, who brings the suit.

For \$20, the amount of two weeks' wages, Charley Fong has sued D. J. and F. L. Zan in Justice Reid's court. He says that he was employed in their match factory in this city and was not paid for the fortnight ending November 21, 1903.

PARTS OF ENGINE BADLY DEMOLISHED

The steamer No Wonder of the Shaver Transportation company's fleet, reached port last night in a badly disabled condition. Her crank pin, crosshead, both cylinder heads, cylinder and piston on the port side, were broken in many places while the vessel was towing a log raft up the river. The accident occurred near the breakwaters of Deer Island. It happened quickly and the officers say without any apparent cause. The steamer came up to Portland with but one engine.

It is said that it will require about 10 days to make the necessary repairs. When put in shape again she will again be placed in regular commission.

TREATED HIM CRUELLY.

Fred B. Bridges, a well-known building contractor and son of J. B. Bridges, a pioneer builder, has begun suit for divorce against M. S. Bridges on the ground of cruel and inhuman treatment. They were married in Portland, October 19, 1900, and he alleges that since that time his wife has heaped indignities upon him, abused him, accused him of infidelity, has neglected to perform her household duties and has deserted him.

MARINE NOTES.

Astoria, Jan. 6.—Arrived down at 9:30 a. m.—Schooner Virginia. Left up at 10 a. m.—Schooner Annie E. Small.

ATTACKS VALIDITY OF BARBER LAW

ATTORNEY FOR L. C. BRIGGS CHARGED WITH CONDUCTING UNLICENSED TONSORIAL SCHOOL, CONTENDS THAT STATE LAW IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

The constitutionality of the law granting to the state board of barber examiners the right either to prohibit or sanction schools for barbers was attacked this morning when the case of L. C. Briggs was called for trial by Circuit Judge George. Briggs conducts a barbers school at 253 Everett street. Some time ago he was arrested and fined in the municipal court on a charge of conducting an unlicensed school. The charge was preferred by the board of examiners. Briggs appealed.

His attorney, F. S. Grant, contended that the arrest was illegal in that he was simply an agent of the American barbers college of California and if an offense had been committed the college and not he was the guilty party. He also held that the law is unconstitutional in that it is an amendment of the statute of 1899 and its title does not show that the examiners have any right to prohibit barber schools, although they are given that right in the body of the act.

Deputy District Attorney Spencer said that Briggs represented a "dummy" corporation, and that he was the sole manager of the school and all tuition fees had been paid to him. Although he was not a registered barber he agreed to fit men for the trade within six or eight weeks at a cost of \$35 or \$40, and this Spencer proceeded to prove by witnesses.

J. H. Burton, a barber of 15 years' experience, testified that he had been engaged by Briggs as a teacher. He had been instructed by Briggs to "rush" the pupils from the last to the first chairs as soon as possible, so that there would be no delay in the graduating exercises. Sometimes a barber would graduate as fully equipped for the business within a week. Others took more time and many stayed at the school from 6 and 8 to 12 weeks. Burton showed the pupils how to "work down" their strops, hone razors, shave, cut hair and put on towels. All the fees were paid to Briggs who paid Burton's salary.

Artistic Moller and William Warren both testified that they had been students at the school and that Briggs had given them receipts for their tuition fees in his own name.

Briggs in his own defense said that while he was not registered as a barber he was licensed barbers. The matter was taken under advisement by Judge George.

WANDERING DOGS FIND HOME AGAIN

The Irish terrier puppies belonging to Dr. A. C. Pantone were recovered yesterday from the Astoria, as a first thought, but had wandered away to explore new fields. A neighbor of Dr. Pantone's bombarded the puppies with champagne bottles the other night when their play disturbed his rest and one of the puppies was a broken leg, while the other received a severe gash in the side, the two uninjured ones running away. Yesterday morning a neighbor telephoned the doctor that one of his puppies was under her house, and the pup was extricated by the anxious owner. The terriers are valuable dogs, and the only ones in Portland. The two older dogs came from Ireland, while the four puppies were imported from Canada.

BUILING TRADES COUNCIL REVIVED

A start was made last night toward the reorganization of the Building Trades council, and B. R. Welch, one of the principal movers in the project, states that it proved very successful. He says that the carpenters, painters, sheetmetal workers, plumbers, laborers, lathers, shinglers and electricians had representatives in attendance, and a temporary organization was effected. No one was present from either the bricklayers or plasterers. Another meeting has been arranged to be held next Tuesday night in the Engineer's hall on First street, when it is expected that a permanent organization will be formed.

NEHALEM JETTY IS OFFICIALLY ASKED

The people in the vicinity of the Nehalem river have requested the chamber of commerce to try to secure from congress an appropriation for a jetty. Representative Williamson was today notified of their request and a map of the river sent to him. Mr. Williamson will put the matter before congress shortly.

Notice to Democrats.

A general invitation is extended to every Democrat to attend an informal smoker and social given in honor of the anniversary of Jackson day, at the Western Academy hall, third floor of Mulkey building, northeast corner Second and Morrison streets, on Saturday evening, January 9, at 8 p. m. No special invitations are issued. All Democrats are urged to be present.

ALEX SWEEK, Chairman Dem. County Com. J. B. RYAN, Secretary Dem. County Com.

CAN DINE AT HOME.

Before Taking the "Spokane Flyer" for Eastern Washington Points.

By the new O. R. & N. time card, persons desiring to take the Spokane Flyer for Spokane, Coeur d'Alene and other Eastern Washington points, can now dine at home (train leaves at 7:45 p. m.) before leaving. The "Portland-Chicago Special" now leaves at 8:50 a. m.

CLEARED OUT OF DANGER.

The condition of Circuit Judge Cleland improved so greatly last night and this morning that he was pronounced out of danger. However, he will not be able to leave his room for some time.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR FLIES.

MOST EXPENSIVE FOR NINE YEARS

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heretofore. Crabs, which were numerous in that part of the city, omitted to be mentioned, and that the police department retire to places where they are not exposed to public view.

"Few, if any, dissolute women now walk the streets soliciting persons to go to their places of abode, and although it is not possible to prevent lawless persons from doing those things which the police have been trying to suppress, yet I think that it is generally true that the reforms above indicated have been made, and that the police department has been active and efficient in making them."

The Rock Pile.

"Connected with the police department is a rock pile, where those convicted of minor offenses in the municipal court are compelled to work, and this rock pile has a sanitary office in keeping hobos and tramps and people of that description away from the city, as they are generally afraid to go where they would be compelled to work for a livelihood. This rock pile paralyzes few beggars in Portland, which is due, I think, to the activity of the police in keeping them off the streets."

"Notwithstanding the criticisms passed upon the police department, it is my opinion that this department is now better organized, better disciplined and better equipped than heretofore, and that it is free from what is so common to large cities, the corrupt practice of grafting. The present police force is evidently inadequate to the wants of the city, and it will be absolutely necessary to increase this force before the Lewis and Clark exposition in 1905."

The Fire Service.

"Since January 1, 1903, 50 fireclass hydrants have been installed, costing \$2,156; 5,750 feet of hose have been purchased for \$5,490. A combination chemical engine, with a hose length of 100 feet, purchased for \$2,500, has been purchased for \$2,500. Six horses, to take the places of those worn out, have been bought, costing \$1,300. Three fire-alarm boxes, costing \$375, and 10 keyless doors, costing \$117, have been installed. At the beginning of the year the engine house was in a dilapidated and ruinous condition, unsafe for men and horses, and \$12,000 has been appropriated for their repair, part of the work has been done in a satisfactory manner and is progressing, and very soon all the engine houses in the city. Arrangements are also under consideration for engine and engine houses in the Brooklyn district and other parts of the city."

For Full-Paid Firemen.

"I earnestly recommend the change from a call to a permanent fire department. Notwithstanding the department has been hampered with its system, under the management of the chief and his assistants, it has acquitted itself with great credit, but it is evident that organization, discipline and celerity of movements can only be made thoroughly effective by a full paid fire department. To this end the department as now organized upon the call plan amount to \$71,755. It is estimated that in 1904, with the increase of engine companies, salaries will amount to \$87,340."

"Get Ready for the Fair."

"Every possible effort should be made to prepare this city for the Lewis and Clark exposition next year. To this end citizens individually can render valuable aid to city authorities. Weatherbeaten and dingy houses should be painted, dilapidated buildings removed, old fences repaired or renewed, lawns and grounds cleaned up, and assistance given to the street cleaning department."

"Portland, with its natural advantages and a proper civic pride by its citizens, may be made one of the most attractive and beautiful cities in the country."

The annual report of the operation of the garbage crematory for the year 1903 shows the following totals:

Cubic yards of garbage cremated, 28,138; horses, 251; cows, 38; dogs, 742; other animals, 62; number of hours in which the crematory was in operation, 8,744; cords of slabs used, 480; loads of slabs consumed, 480; cords of slabs on hand, 1,694.

The cost of operating the crematory during the year 1903 was \$7,676.80 and was expended as follows: Labor, \$2,326.60; fuel, \$3,206.75; repairs, \$748.20; miscellaneous expenses, \$695.95. The volume of garbage during the year was greatly in excess of the total of any previous year. Extensive repairs were made to the furnaces and the plant has been operated in a very satisfactory manner. No complaints have been received. The crematory is under control of the board of health and has received the particular supervision of Dr. W. H. Saylor. There are now employed at the crematory five men, a superintendent at \$75 per month, three laborers at \$60 per month and one laborer at \$50 per month. It is very probable that the capacity of the crematory will have to be doubled during the next year and this can be done by adding two more furnaces, which it is estimated will cost \$6,000.

ESTIMATE FOR 1904.

Mayor's Figures on Receipts and Expenditures.

The following table of estimated expenses is included in the mayor's report:

General Fund.

Available balance December 31, 1903 (outstanding warrants deducted from cash balance) \$5,734.84

Liquor licenses 145,000.00

General business licenses 65,000.00

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FRUIT GROWERS MEET JANUARY 11

GOVERNORS WILL OPEN THEIR ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION WITH AN ADDRESS OF WELCOME—NEW OFFICERS TO BE CHOSEN ON CLOSING DAY.

The eleventh annual convention of the Northwest Fruit Growers' association will be held in Portland, January 11-13 and 14, inclusive. The association numbers nearly 300 members and Secretary George H. Lamberson of the state board of horticulture says that most of them have signified their intention of being present. Secretary Lamberson has sent invitations to prominent fruit-growers in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and British Columbia to attend the convention. The convention will meet at 1:30 p. m., January 11, in the Selling-Hirsch building, 356 1/2 Washington street. The address of welcome will be delivered by Governor Chamberlain.

The officers of the association are: President, Dr. N. G. Blalock of Walla Walla, Wash.; vice-president for Oregon, J. W. Otwell of Central Point; vice-president for Washington, B. Burgender of Cofax; vice-president for Idaho, J. H. Forney of Moscow; vice-president for Montana, Prof. S. Fortier of Bozeman; vice-president for British Columbia, J. H. Anderson of Victoria; treasurer, W. S. Offner of Walla Walla; secretary, George H. Lamberson of Portland. New officers will be elected on the last day of the convention.

EUGENE

NOTICE—The Eugene agency of The Oregon Daily Journal is at the bookstore of Allen H. Eaton, where subscriptions to go by mail or carrier will be received.

ROYAL ARCANUM ELECTS OFFICERS

(Journal Special Service.) Eugene, Or., Jan. 6.—Election of officers of the local lodge of Royal Arcanum was held last evening with the following result: Dr. W. L. Cheshire, regent; Dr. C. B. Willoughby, vice-regent; J. D. Hamlin, orator; E. M. Donahue, secretary; L. E. Bean, collector; F. L. Gibbs, treasurer; H. L. Bown, chaplain; Austen Hampton, guide; C. D. Chorpenting, warden; L. M. Travis, sentry. After the council meeting the members adjourned to a restaurant where a banquet was served as a compliment to Dr. Cheshire, the newly elected regent.

Opens Law Office.

Dell V. Kuykendall, son of State Senator W. Kuykendall, who has been employed by the United States census bureau for the past two years, has opened a law office in this city. Mr. Kuykendall is a graduate of the University of Oregon, where he was prominent in athletics, and of Georgetown university at Washington, D. C.

WITHDRAWS ITS SUPPORT.

(Journal Special Service.) Sait Lake City, Jan. 6.—The United Mine Workers' union has withdrawn its support from the unmarried strikers, urging them to seek work elsewhere.

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Pear's Soap...11¢ Hinds' Honey Almond Cream...29¢
Violet Ammonia...14¢ Facker's Tar Soap...12¢
Florida Water...33¢ Oriental Cream...96¢
Witch Hazel, pints...14¢ Hall's Hair Restorer...69¢
Capillaris...39¢ Cotton Soap, doz...33¢
Ammonia, quarts...7¢ Listerized Tooth Powder...8¢
Ammonia, pints...4¢ Williams' Shaving Soap...16¢
Machine Oil...3¢ Wisdom's Robortine...26¢

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