

BOARD OF TRADE AT ANNUAL MEAST

PAST REPORTS AND SUCCESSORS ARE REVIEWED AND FUTURE ACHIEVEMENTS ARE TOASTED—ENTHUSIASTIC UNION FOR INCREASED RESULTS IS GAINED.

About 80 persons, members and their friends, attended the annual banquet of the board of trade in the Portland hotel last night. Gratification over the splendid showing of the city last year was expressed and confidence in her future growth to power and place among the large cities of the world was the keynote of every toast.

The toastmaster was Retiring President F. E. Beach, who reviewed the work of the board. He spoke of its small beginning and how it has grown with the city. He closed by introducing the new president, E. D. Hammond, who responded to the toast.

Mr. Hammond, who responded to the toast, said that the board of trade for the coming year. President Hammond thanked the board for the office they had given him, and pledged himself to put forth his best efforts toward the good of the board.

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Wallis Nash, who spoke on "Civic Pride," made a stirring appeal for more schools and a better city government. Capt. Jesse M. Baker, resident quartermaster, U. S. A., was the last speaker of the evening. He spoke of the coming of the Dix and Portland's chances for the Philippine trade.

GOES BROKE TO SATISFY CREDITORS

CHARLES B. WADE OF FENDELTON AND WIFE GIVE UP ALL THEIR PROPERTY—UNFORTUNATE VENTURE IN BAKER MINES CAUSED HIS FINANCIAL RUIN.

Fendleton, Or., Jan. 7.—Charles B. Wade, who has been cashier of the First National bank in this city for the last seven years, turned over all his property to satisfy his creditors. Wade failed for probably \$250,000. It is estimated that his creditors will not get more than 10 per cent when final settlement is made.

All Wade's property was turned over to W. F. Matlock and T. C. Taylor, and the former in a statement made today said that he did not believe the liabilities would reach more than \$150,000. The failure is considered one of the biggest ever recorded in Eastern Oregon and with more people involved.

Mr. Wade was a stockholder in many Eastern Oregon companies. Col. J. H. Baker is receiver and C. H. Carter attorney.

NEW MANAGERS OF TWO BIG STORES



JAMES BELL.

George Hyland, the new superintendent for Woodard, Clarke & Co., was with Olds, Wortman & King for 10 years. During the last five years he was general superintendent of the big store of that firm.



GEORGE HYLAND.

formerly firm manager for the large house of Lipman, Wolfe & Co. Mr. Bell is spoken of as very competent as a superintendent in the dry goods line and has received many congratulations and well wishes in his new position.

ENGLAND IS ACTIVE

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collected at Vancouver barracks last night that hostilities had actually begun between Russia and Japan in Korean waters. It was not known at the time which one of the combatants was the initiative.

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"WAR MARKET" ON CHANGE.

Belief in the Certainty of Japan-Russian Hostilities Causes Flurry. (Journal Special Service.) Chicago, Jan. 7.—In the "war market" on change today wheat prices were boosted and corn and oats and provisions followed with lesser but very material advances.

TO MAKE SURVEY OF COLUMBIA BAR

Major W. C. Langfitt stated this morning that government engineers will make a survey of the Columbia bar next week to ascertain its depth. The last official sounding was taken last June, at which time it was found that the bar had an average depth of between 21 and 22 feet at ebb tide.

If the channel has improved Major Langfitt attributes it to natural causes and not to any work that the dredge Chinook has done. The dredge has not been operated at the bar but three or four times, and he says the showing made by her would be insufficient to make any material improvement.

CHIEFLY PERSONAL

H. Steward and J. C. Steward of Spokane, are registered at the Portland hotel. J. M. Church, a business man of La Grande, is in Portland.

MAY NOT GET INCREASE

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cers are paid, as provided by section 2935 of civil codes and statutes." By those who question the validity of the act it is argued that a dangerous precedent is established if the legislature is permitted to appropriate county funds at will for the compensation of state officials.

EMERGENCY CLAUSE QUESTIONED.

The second and last section of the act is as follows: "Whereas the compensation of judges in judicial districts composed of one county only is, under the present law, inadequate, an emergency is declared, and this act shall take effect upon its approval by the governor."

It is generally conceded that the salary of the circuit judges should be increased, and the action of the legislature is questioned simply on the ground that any additional salary should be paid by the state and not by the county.

MRS. DECKER GOES HOME TO MICHIGAN

Mrs. Rose Decker, who secured her two missing daughters at Kent, Or., after a search of two years, left this morning for her home at Mount Pleasant, Mich., with her children. H. M. Callwell, a relative of Mrs. Decker, said this morning:

EXPECTED TO SAIL FROM YOKOHAMA

The Oriental liner Indrasamha is expected to sail from Yokohama today for Portland. In the event that she does it will bring her at the mouth of the river on or about January 24.

CHOW SHEEM'S CASE PUT OVER A DAY

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 7.—The hearing of Chow Sheem, a Chinese slave girl, whose right to remain in this country is denied, was this morning postponed until 10 o'clock tomorrow.

ACCIDENT TO MISSION BOAT.

London, Jan. 7.—Reuters' agency reports today that the steamer Lopsley, belonging to the American Presbyterian church, turned turtle opposite Kwamouth junction of the Congo and Kasai rivers in the Congo state.

Always Remember the Full Name Laxative Bromo Quinine. Cure a Cold in One Day, Grip in 2 Days.

PROBE MYSTERY

COMMITTEE WILL INVESTIGATE THE CHARGE THAT CHIEF OF POLICE HUNT COLLECTED FEES FROM SLOT MACHINE MEN ON FALSE PROMISES.

By resolution adopted by the city council yesterday, a committee was appointed to investigate the charges that fees were paid by slot machine men under an understanding that their fines were equivalent to a license to violate the law for a month.

Councilman Fiegel said: "If the chief made the promises alleged we want to know it, and if he did not, it is no more than right that he should be exonerated. One thing is certain, and that is if he held out the inducement that machines could be operated by paying fines, he did so in opposition to the policy of the mayor, who has in the past positively expressed himself on this issue, in unqualified terms, that no money slot devices would be permitted to run under any arrangement."

Other improvements may be made if they come safely within the allowance. There has always been a great expense attached to the operation of the telephone and signal service by the use of the batteries, and the proposition is now favorably advanced of installing a complete exchange system.

"This will pay for itself within a short time," said both the commissioners, "and besides will be much more satisfactory." The expenses of the department for December, which were unusually heavy, are satisfactorily explained by the increased number of prisoners. One report had it that Chief Hunt traded a horse "with \$50 to boot" in exchange for another animal. The incident, while somewhat irregular, was commented upon favorably.

MEASLES EPIDEMIC AMONG LITTLE FOLK

There is an epidemic of measles among the children of the city at the present time. Eleven more cases were reported through the health department today. The disease has not been very noticeable among pupils in the public schools.

EARLY EVENING ROBBERY REPORTED

The sum of \$15.10 was secured by highwaymen when they held up and robbed Charles E. Frazier at Seventh and Columbia streets at 6:30 o'clock last night. Frazier lives at 290 Seventh

NO MORE MEN FOR POLICE FORCE

NO HIGHER SALARIES—MAYOR TELLS THE EXECUTIVE BOARD THAT THE CITY CAN'T AFFORD INCREASE IN EITHER DIRECTION—JAIL IMPROVEMENTS.

"No more policemen; no higher salaries." Hopes of any improvement in the department along those lines until 1905 went glimmering this morning, when Mayor Williams announced at a meeting of the executive board that the members of the council were opposed to raising salaries or employing more men with the finances at their present low ebb.

Commissioner Sobel, especially, has been working during the past few weeks to secure an increased police appropriation for 1904. He also wants to see the policemen get more wages. City Auditor Devin assured the commissioner that the estimate was at the maximum that could be allowed—\$30,000.

There is absolutely no use in asking for more men or larger salaries," said the mayor. The question hinged upon the petition of the policemen to have their pay raised to \$90 a month. The mayor explained that the estimates were now in the hands of the ways and means committee, and would be returned at the next session of the council; also that they had given unmistakable evidence of being opposed to raising salaries in any department.

But despite their disappointment in not having an increased force this year, the commissioner is assured of improvements to the jail building, for the \$10,000 appropriation from the general fund will be available after the next council meeting and work can go ahead immediately. New floors will be laid, the interior rearranged and improved sanitary apparatus installed.

SICK CHILD GAINS FATHER'S FREEDOM

The story of a sick child and a destitute family touched the heart of Police Captain Moore last night and he released J. B. Morris, who was serving time on the city rockpile. His time would have expired today but as the attending physician reported that Morris' little girl was dying and wanted to see her father, Morris was turned loose last night.

WAS NOT REGULAR

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LEONA MEETS WITH ACCIDENT

BROKE CRANK SHAFT AND OYSTER DEER NEAR JENNINGS' BAR WHILE COMING DOWN RIVER—EVERY STRAMER OF SAME LINE MUST WITH MISHAPS RECENTLY.

Another mishap has befallen one of the steamers operated on the Oregon City Transportation company's fleet. Near Jennings' bar, about 10 miles up the Willamette, yesterday the Leona's crank shaft snapped in twain and was precipitated into the river. The starboard cylinder was also broken in several places and the vessel was forced to hobble into port with but one engine in action.

Several days will be required to make the necessary repairs. The Leona ran between Portland and Independence and during her enforced idleness the steamer Melako of the Regulator line will take her place. She went out on the run this morning.

The Oregon City Transportation company has been experiencing a continuous round of hard luck during the past few weeks during which time all of its boats have been more or less disabled. First the Altona was in a collision with the Modoc at a point about 50 miles above Portland, which necessitated her being taken out on the ways to undergo extensive repairs.

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\$2.50—"THE SALSURY" A THREE DOLLAR HAT FOR—\$2.50

"Famous" Sale Prices

Advertisement for Famous Sale Prices featuring Men's Suits, Overcoats, and various clothing items with prices like \$7.25, \$11.70, and \$14.30. Includes an illustration of a man in a suit.

Advertisement for Half-Dollar Underwear (35c) and Dollar Colored Shirts (50c).

Advertisement for Famous Clothing Co. featuring reductions in every part of the store and a January sale. Address: Morrison and Second Sts.

Advertisement for Better Now Than Ever Before, listing subjects like spelling, grammar, writing, arithmetic, etc.

Advertisement for Portland Business College, Park and Washington, A. F. Armstrong, II, B. Principal.

Advertisement for Behnke-Walker Business College, listing courses like shorthand, telegraphy, and night school.

Advertisement for Sick Child Gains Father's Freedom, detailing the story of a child and a father.

Advertisement for Says Bond Issue Was Not Regular, detailing a legal suit against city officials.

Advertisement for Measles Epidemic Among Little Folk, reporting on health department statistics.

Advertisement for Early Evening Robbery Reported, detailing a highway robbery.

Advertisement for Mrs. Decker Goes Home to Michigan, detailing a family reunion.

Advertisement for Expected to Sail from Yokohama, detailing a ship's arrival.

Advertisement for Chow Sheem's Case Put Over a Day, detailing a court hearing.

Advertisement for Accident to Mission Boat, detailing a maritime incident.

Advertisement for Chiefly Personal, listing local news items.

Advertisement for Not Hungry, promoting Laxative Bromo Quinine.

Advertisement for Better Now Than Ever Before, listing educational subjects.

Advertisement for Portland Business College, listing courses and faculty.

Advertisement for Behnke-Walker Business College, listing courses and fees.

Advertisement for Famous Clothing Co. featuring a January sale and various clothing items.