

TOWN TOPICS

A letter has been prepared which was sent out yesterday by the Lewis and Clark exposition commission to the newspapers of the state, in which attention is called to the St. Louis fair, and the opportunity afforded for advertising the state there.

The chamber of commerce received yesterday a letter from Robert J. Whitson of Chicago, offering to make a picture eight feet wide and 150 feet long to be exhibited at the St. Louis exposition as a part of the Oregon exhibit, to cost \$2,000 and transportation.

A draft for \$214.34 has been sent to Aalesund, Norway, for the benefit of the sufferers from the recent disastrous fire at that point.

A housewife's care is given every garment laundered by us. With our steam-heated polisher that does not burn the linen, or weaken its fiber, comes our great care for every piece of laundry that passes through our hands.

Another case of smallpox has developed at the home of John A. now has the disease. The mother, who was a believer in faith healing, died two weeks ago of smallpox.

Remember, the Portland Custom Shoe & Repair Co. guarantee their sole sewing not to rip, as we have the only perfected shoe machine on the coast.

Robert Livingstone will deliver a stereopticon lecture tomorrow at Westminster church, East Tenth and Welder streets, at 8 p. m.

The jury yesterday afternoon in the east side justice's court brought in a verdict in favor of W. S. Davis in the suit which Mrs. Carrie E. Coffey brought against him for \$150 damages on account of injury to household goods which she had stored with him.

Charles E. Shaw, after being at the Good Samaritan hospital for the past 10 days, is out again. He is the cashier at the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company's local freight office in this city.

D. C. Freeman, who has been confined to his residence for the past week by an attack of measles, is at his desk in the office of Director-General H. W. Goode of the Lewis and Clark exposition.

A course of physical culture will do you more good than all the medicine in the world. Prof. Klingler's Physical Culture school, 209 Alder street. New term begins March 1.

"Regular Fifth Ward Republican Club" will hold a meeting tomorrow (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock. Italian hall, Fourth and Mill streets.

Pine day! Buy Meredith's umbrellas. Repairing and re-covering. Two stores—Washington and 8th, Morrison and 5th.

Steamers for The Dalles will leave Alder street wharf 7 a. m. daily (except Sunday). Phone Main 914.

Wahoo Tonic, assisted with Wahoo Oil, will cure the worst case of rheumatism.

L. Shumaker, furrier, 306 Burnside st. No appetite, bilious? Use Wahoo.

WILL AID FAIR. The Laramie, Wyo., mining exchange writes the Lewis and Clark exposition corporation: "We will be there with a splendid exhibit of every mineral found in Wyoming and will do all we can to make the Lewis and Clark exposition a success."

MANN & BEACH PRINTERS. 92 Second Street. Ground Floor. BEST WORK. Low Prices. Telephone 444.

WHO DOES YOUR LAUNDRY? If we are not already doing it we feel that we should at least have a trial order. Washing done here that is not satisfactory we refund the money.

OREGON LAUNDRY and TOILET SUPPLY CO. Phone East 12. C. T. EVANS, Mgr.

ALLESINA GETS \$13,000 JUDGMENT

INSURANCE COMPANY ORDERED TO PAY THE FULL SUM DEMANDED FOR FIRE LOSS—DISPUTE OVER APPRAISER'S FIGURES BROUGHT TO AN END.

By the decision of Judge Fraser, delivered in the state circuit court this morning, five insurance companies will be obliged to pay John Allesina, the umbrella merchant, amounts aggregating \$13,562, and settle the costs of suit. Judgment was entered only in the suit of Allesina against the Liverpool, London & Globe Insurance company, but it was agreed before the hearing that the decision should also bind the Westchester Fire Insurance company of New York, the Atlas Insurance company of London, the London & Lancashire Insurance company of London and the Worwick Union Fire Insurance company.

"The facts show that the companies agreed to the appointment of appraisers and the selection of an umpire," said Judge Fraser. "It told them to go to work and confer with its own appointee while Allesina was conferring with his during the progress of the examination. They let the matter run along for a month or two, and more than that, after the value of the property destroyed was appraised and attorneys of the company, writing from San Francisco, informed Allesina that while they deemed the award too high they would make no further request for a reduction, but would be pleased if he voluntarily consented to a reduction."

Alliesina's place of business, at 209 Morrison street, was destroyed by fire last April. The companies could not agree on the damage and appraisers were appointed. The companies refused to abide by the decision of one appraiser and the umpire, suit following as a result. Their cross complaints were set aside. The Fire Association of Philadelphia appealed from the order setting the cross bill aside to the supreme court.

Chiefly Personal

Mayor W. F. Matlock and Mrs. Matlock of Pendleton, who have been visiting in Portland for the past week, returned home yesterday.

Supreme President P. A. McPherson of the Order of Lions has gone to California on a business trip. He will be absent several weeks.

C. W. Thompson, a lumberman from Cascade Locks, is in the city.

Mrs. Baker, widow of the late Dorsey S. Baker, prominent capitalist and banker of Walla Walla, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Louis F. Anderson, is registered at the Portland. Mrs. Anderson is the wife of Vice-President Anderson of Whitman college.

Supreme President P. A. MacPherson of the Independent Order of Lions left today for San Francisco, on a business trip.

HOMELESS BOAT STILL AN ORPHAN. The location of the fireboat station is still a matter that is perplexing the mayor and the executive board.

"The foot of East Washington street," said William Fiedler, member of the executive board, "is the best place we have in mind. It commands the docks along the river to a good advantage. However, we have not yet taken official action regarding the site."

The new fireboat is to be launched next Saturday morning. Engineer Fred A. Berlin, who has charge of the construction, will confer with Mayor Williams this afternoon to decide upon a sponsor and arrange details of the ceremony. The fireboat is in the yards of the Portland Shipbuilding company, in South Portland. The yards are near the foot of Gibbs street. A large crowd is expected to be in attendance, including a number of the city officials.

WORLD CANTATA BY MONTAVILLA PUPILS. The pupils of the Montavilla school will give an entertainment tomorrow evening in Woodman hall, Montavilla, for the purpose of raising money to purchase a piano for the school.

EXHIBIT RULES FOR LEWIS AND CLARK FAIR. The classification of and rules governing exhibits at the Lewis and Clark exposition have been completed by Director of Exhibits H. E. Dosh, and were today submitted to Director-General H. W. Goode.

As soon as they can be passed on these rules will be sent to the printer and will be ready for distribution in a few days. There is great demand for information on the subject covered by this publication. The rules will be issued in pamphlet form and will take probably 60 pages.

SALTIE WELL AGAIN. Frank Salter, the young man who attempted to commit suicide last Monday by taking laudanum, left Good Samaritan hospital last night.

Olds, Wortman & King. THE DIFFERENT STORE. THE HOME OF QUALITY AND WORTH. FIFTH AND WASHINGTON STREETS. Largest "Daylight Store" in the Northwest. We'd Like to See You Here Tomorrow. OUR 43d Grand Friday Economy Sale. WILL BE ON! BORNE ON THE WAVES OF POPULARITY, Our Great Friday Economy Sales Have Topped the Crest of Success!

48d FRIDAY "ECONOMY SALE" 1st Floor Specials

Men's Underwear Under-priced—\$2.25 Linen Mesh Garments \$1.25

We offer as a genuine bargain for our male contingent a value in Underwear on Friday seldom equaled by any store. Its quality item that particular wearers will appreciate. The famous "Spartan" linen mesh undergarments, made by Dr. Delmel, a substitute of the original made by the maker of the suit, sold regularly the country over at \$2.25 the garment, some sizes missing, at \$1.25 each. We advise early buying, as quantity is limited and may not last the day through.

75c All Silk Ribbons 42c yd.

One of the best Ribbon values ever offered by this periodical "Ribbon Store." Pure silk, fancy satin Ribbons, in 4 1/2 and 5-inch widths, values included in the lot up to 75c yard—Friday only for... 42c

Umbrellas for Men in the Sale

We have selected a lot of our famous "Colonial" Umbrellas, in men's sizes, Gloria covers, Paragon frames, steel rods and attractive, mannish style handles, in popular natural wood, strong, durable and dressy in appearance, with covers and tassels; \$1.50 and \$1.75 grades—Friday only, choice for... 90c

20c Foulards for 11c yd. (In Domestic Aisle—Friday Only.)

splendid choosing from our regular well-known values, selling every day at 20c a yard, satin-finish cotton Foulards, all the latest, newest arrivals in 1904 spring selections, choice of all the colorings from light to medium and dark shades and handsome, attractive combinations of patterns, including floral designs, neat checks, dots and scroll figures—on Friday, at the yard... 11c

Wom n's Undergarments Not Forgotten n

Dr. Delmel's famous linen mesh garments, too well known to need eulogy or description here, is included in the great Friday Sale, underpriced and brought to the "Special" bargain counter marked like this: Each. Women's \$2.50 Vests or Pants... \$1.75 Women's \$5.00 Union Suits... \$3.75

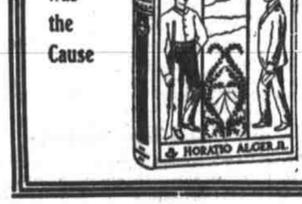
49c Bo tles Smelling Salts 35c

Crown lavender, large size bottles. Toilet sundries counter.

THE UNEXPECTED HAS HAPPENED! BOOKS

and Spring Millinery have had a Battle Royal!

Disputed Territory Was the Cause



Socks for the Tots Bargains

Infants' sizes in silk-finished Hosiery, seamless, plain or lace styles, good variety of colors in the lines, among which are pinks, blues, cardinals, blacks and whites; the regular selling price is 35c pair—Friday only, instead, 17c

Women May Buy Shoes Cheaper

Like this: Splendid \$5.00 values in Women's Street Shoes, all the popular wanted leathers, very dressy, new 1904 spring lasts and very latest styles, made with soft, flexible, easy walking soles, but solid and durable—Friday only, the pair... \$1.75

Good Shoe Buying for Men Best \$3.50 Shoes Friday for \$2.98

Pretty good advertising this for our Men's Shoe Store. All new 1904 spring styles, newest lasts and all wanted leathers including box and velour calf and vict kid. Six styles from which to select and all sizes. Very fashionable lasts and solid, splendid wearing footwear. Every pair sold will make a permanent shoe patron for us, if style and wear counts. A free choice of the lots on Friday, for, pair... \$2.98

Neither side would listen to arbitration, so they fought. Spring Millinery was triumphant and won back her territory which has been usurped since Christmas by books. Saturday night, by terms of the treaty, the books evacuate for 3 months—go "back to the tall timber"—and this store will have no more NO TIME TO LOSE. The Millinery is pouring in—a perfect inundation of gorgeous and dainty beauty.

THE LAST TWO DAYS OF THE GREAT BOOK SALE will be FRIDAY AND SATURDAY. No more book news after that for nine months to come. The last news is the best. We inaugurate, Friday, at 8 a. m. THE MOST MEMORABLE RE-ATTEMPTED SALE of Books ever conducted by any house on the Pacific Coast!

Every Book in the Store Included—Every Book Reduced to or Below Actual Cost! No time or space to enumerate here.

MATCHLESS BOOK BARGAINS FOR LIBRARIANS! MATCHLESS BOOK BARGAINS FOR HOMES! MATCHLESS BOOK BARGAINS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOLS! MATCHLESS BOOK BARGAINS FOR TOURISTS! MATCHLESS BOOK BARGAINS FOR BOOK LOVERS OF EVERY SORT!

WE'RE DOWN ON WOMEN'S UNDERWEAR PRICES—Another Quality Bargain.

\$1.25 Merode Underwear 69c

The Underwear chief has prepared for a busy day Friday. He's opened a case of the famous Merode garments and placed them on the counters for Friday "Economy Sale" patrons at the price of makers of lesser fame and worth. Silk and Cotton Vests and Tights, vests are hand finished and silk trimmed. Choice of high neck and long sleeves or low necked and sleeveless. Tights are in both ankle and knee lengths. Such value is sure to bring a crowd of buyers; be in it and get what you're likely to need at Friday's special price of, a garment... 69c

BIG FRIDAY SILK SALE Annex—First Floor.

1—BUSTLING BARGAINS—1 \$1 Foulards for 69c yd.

New 1904 Spring arrivals in Satin Foulards of best known makes. Color assortment is grand. A silk opportunity not to be missed, you'll need 'em for making up the new spring Skirt Waists, Suits or fancy Silk Shirts. Most stores call them a \$1.25 value, but they're our splendid dollar quality. We'll be busy Friday cutting off the yards for eager buyers, at yard... 69c

25c Bottles German Cologne 15c

2-oz. size bottles, all odors. Small size of same, 10c bottles for... 5c Friday only—Toilet sundries counter.

Children's 75c Dresses 47c (Annex—Second Floor.)

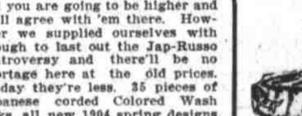
Children's fine Cambric Dresses, have deep hem at bottom, some with hemstitching and yoke of embroidery insertion between clusters of tucks, lace and embroidery edging at neck and sleeves, ages 2 and 3 years. Regular 75c value—on Friday for... 47c

17c Centre Pieces 9c (Throughout Aisle Art Shop—Second Floor.)

Moulin-de-laine Centerpieces, with fancy finished borders and stamped in attractive floral designs; 17c values—on Friday for... 9c

43d FRIDAY "ECONOMY SALE" Special on 3d Floor

Kitchen and Dining Room Furnishings



\$18.50 Dinner Sets for \$12.50

Handsome Decorated Dinner Sets, containing 101 pieces each, clear china, borders decorated in beautiful floral designs. The best value in Portland at \$18.50—on Friday only—you may select for the set... \$12.50

43d FRIDAY "ECONOMY SALE" Specials on 4th Floor

8-4 Tapestry Table Covers \$3 values for \$1.85

Reversible, splendid choosing, grand values.

Boys' \$1.75 Steel Gear Wagons \$1.05

All steel gear and iron box, size 12x26 inches. Fine for the boys to get out of doors. They'll want a wagon—buy one under price on Friday.

JAPAN STUDIES 1905 FAIR PLANS

REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMMISSIONER-GENERAL STUDIES THE SCOPE OF THE FAIR AND IS PLEASED—WILL AID TRADE BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS.

Karl Kawakami of Seattle was here yesterday as the personal representative of Commissioner-General Tegima of Japan to the St. Louis exposition, to look over the general scope of the Lewis and Clark fair, and to make a preliminary report to his superior.

Mr. Tegima intended making the trip here for this purpose, but his engagements at St. Louis would not admit of his leaving at this time, and in order that there might be no delay he sent Mr. Kawakami in his place.

He will not make his report until after he returns to Seattle, but he expressed himself as much pleased with the broad character of the exposition, and he will lay particular stress upon the commerce between Portland and his country, and the benefits that will result from the fair.

Japanese commission, Baron Matsudaira, will be here in the early part of March to look over the ground to make a further report on the progress and scope of the fair.

Mr. Kawakami is the editor-in-chief of the "Seattle New Japan," and correspondent of several Japanese newspapers, and is the author of a work entitled "Political Ideas of Modern Japan," which was issued by the University of Iowa press.

FACES TWO CHARGES. Mrs. Mabel Walker, who was arrested last Sunday by Sergeant Slover on the charge of vagrancy, pleaded guilty this morning. Hardly had she uttered the word until she was rearraigned before Municipal Judge Hogue on the charge of larceny. John Wheeler stated that he had met the woman in the Plaza saloon and that after leaving her discovered that one \$10 gold piece was also gone. Sentence was suspended during good behavior and the woman, who is but 29 years old, allowed to go home.

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Tonight, "Down by the Sea" Interpreted by a Splendid Company, including MISS ANNIE CURTIS. Matinee Saturday.

Four Nights Next Week, Starting Sunday Matinee. The Brilliant New Comedy-Drama. "Slaves of the Mines" Elaborate and Complete—Special Scenery—Select Company.

THE BAKER THEATRE. Phone, Main 1907. George L. Baker, Sole Lessee and Manager. Tonight, All Week, Matinee Saturday. THE BAKER THEATRE COMPANY IN "THE CASE OF REBELLIOUS SUSAN"

A bright, clever comedy in three acts by HENRY ARTHUR JONES. Next week, beginning Sunday matinee, February 28, a special production of the beautiful drama, "THE TWO ORPHANS"

AMUSEMENTS. Marquam Grand Theatre. W. T. Pangle, Bos. Mgr.

Tonight, at 8:15 o'clock, last Performance of THE BOSTONIANS IN THEIR NEW OPERA. "The Queen of Laughter"

Marquam Grand Theatre. W. T. Pangle, Bos. Mgr. Friday and Saturday Nights, February 26 and 27. The Brilliant New Comedy-Drama. "MURRAY AND MACK"

"A NIGHT ON BROADWAY" Evening Prices—Lower Floor, \$1.00 and 75c. Balcony, 50c and 50c. Gallery, 25c and 10c. Popular Matinee Prices—Adults, 50c; children 25c to any part of the theatre.

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