ARE READY FOR THE COMMISSION

Final Plans Completed for Reception of Marine Inquiry Board That Arrives Tonight---Purpose of the Body's Tour.

were made today. The commission will arrive over the Northern Pacific at 7 o'clock this evening, and will be met by a committee composed of George Taylor, James E. Laidlaw, W. A. Mears and Assistant Secretary M. Mosseshon of the chamber of commerce. They will be quartered at the Portland hotel. A committee from the Women's club of Portland will give especial attention to the women in the official party during their stay. A committee consisting of their stay. A committee consisting of Ships here in this country? American ships are just as good as any others, and can, I think, be built nearly as the Commercial club rooms tomorrow evening, and arrangements are being Personnel of Commission. evening, and arrangements are being made for about 200 guests. The trip on

Portland in response to an invitation from the chamber of commerce, to receive the views of Portland business men and shippers on the subject of the upbuilding of American merchant maupbuilding of American merchant marine interests. Prominent parts at the hearing will be taken by George Taylor, chairman of the navigation committee of the Portland chamber of commerce; James Erfest Laidlaw of the firm of James Laidlaw & Co., Alfred Tucker of the firm of Meyer, Wilson & Co., F. H. Ranson of the Eastern & Western Lumber company. T. B. Wilcox, president of the Portland Flouring Mills company. These are among the city's

small coast line and still smaller com-merce, but which pays an annual bounty of \$2.44 per ton to all iron and steel of \$2.44 per ton to all iron and steel steamships flying the Austrian flag; \$1.83 per ton to all iron and steel salling ships; \$1.22 per ton to wood and iron sailing ships; the foregoing amounts to be increased 10 per cent if the ships are built in Austrian yards, and 25 per cent additional if one-half of the raw material used in their construction is produced to Austrian.

The Portland shippers will give their reasons why American bottoms are to be preferred and the advantages that the upbuilding of an American marine would the American merchantman fleet and to in their opinions result to Portland's inin their opinions result to Portland's interests. The hearing, as a whole, is undertaken by the commission in an attempt to solve the question of the best way to place America in a position of supremacy as a nation of shippers. In January of this year 292 steamships passed through the Suez canal. Of these, 173 were British, 42 German, 16, French, 14 Dutch, 11 Russian, 8 Austrian, 7 Italian, 6 Japanese, 6 Turkish, 4 Norwegian, 2 Spanish, 1 Egyptian, 1 Danish and 1 American. The problem has become so scrious that congress at its last session appointed the marine commission and set aside a fund of \$20,000 to cover the expenses of a tour of the seamen's unions. Talking to a work accomplished by the commission thus far, Senator Gallinger said:

"In the first place, as do conditions, we have found that American ships carry a very small and a constantly diminishing percentage of American exports and imports. Two men who have been around the world three times told commission and set aside a fund of \$20,-000 to cover the expenses of a tour of the important ports of the United States us that in all these trips they saw only

George Taylor, a member of the firm of Taylor, Young & Co., ship brokers and commission agents, and chairman of the navigation committee of the amber of commerce, said today: "There is no set program of speeches

papers. The hearing is designed as 'free-for-all' and those interested in American shipping and the upbuilding of our morchant marine are expected to bearing upon that subject. I presume that such men as our prominent shippers, importers, and perhaps other men will be in attendance at the hearing. I believe the general sen-timent among Portland men who are with existing conditions is ps, unless it should be in some form of compensation for services rendered.
The main reason why a direct subsidy is objectionable is the difficulty of objectionable is the difficulty or actically applying it so that the subsidiary benefits will actually go to

Others Beap Reward.

"There are so many ways by which the benefits of a subsidy paid by this country could be resped by ships actually owned elsewhere. France might be paying a subsidy to Erench ships that go cruising about and doing business while the vessels are really owned by British capital. And so it goes.

"I am not prepared to speak positively but I do not believe that England pays

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Final details for the reception and entertainment of the marine commission have an established route and carrying trade. As to the claim that other countries of the countries o

evening, and arrangements are being made for about 200 guests. The trip on the river tomorrow will possibly be extended to the Columbia river, and the commission will also be given a street car ride over the city including a trip ground the new loop on the Fortland Heights' line.

Tom Richardson and E. W. Wright, who were appointed to prepare data concerning the products and shipping interests of Portland and her territory, have the matter compiled and it will be ready to submit to the commission Monday morning. It is thought that the brochure will coldisine all the salient points, in a concise form, that will be necessary for a complete presentation of the subject, and that later the matter will be printed in pamphlet form, for use in immigration work.

Senator C. W. Fulton writes from Astoria to the chamber of commerce accepting the invitation to attend the reception and hearing. Congressman Binger Hermann, who is at Roseburs, writes that owing to other engagements he will be unable to attend.

Why Commission Comes.

The marine commission comes to Portland in response to an invitation from the chamber of commerce, to receive the views of Portland business men and shippers on the subject of the upbuilding of American merchant marine interesting personage, his carcer furnishing an example of what can be achieved in America by's Dutch boy born on a farm in Ontario, Canada, in 1837, one of twelve children, boy born on a farm in Ontario, Canada, in 1837, one of twelve children by an one school and academic education in early life and became a printer. Later he studied medicine and successive the studied medicine and then to constitute the studied medicine and the twenty was graduated with honors as a physician in 1858, He followed this profuse the studied medicine and the transmitter was graduated with Senator Jacob H. Gallinger, official

Congressman Edward 8. Minor, another member of the commission, is a Milwaukee man. He is a licensed master of steam vessels, and an honorary member of the Engineers' Benevolent member of the Engineers Benevolent association of Sturgeon Bay. His early life was spent on a farm in Sheboygan county, Wis. He served through the civil war as a member of the Second Wisconsin volunteer cavalry, and at its close he entered mercantile pursuits. His political apprenticeship was served in the Wisconsin house and senate, and in 1894 he was sent to congress, since which time he has been re-elected four successive times.

be presented from the standpoint of Portland shippers. Some of the Portland men are opposed to and others are in favor of a ship subsidy, the latter believing that the subsidy policy as pursued by various foreign nations will solve the American shipbuilding problem, while the former attribute to other causes the decline of American shipping to and from foreign ports.

Extion's Ships Lose Trade.

In 1861 American ships carried 65 per cent of our foreign commerce. In 1903 we carried less than 8 per cent. The cent of our foreign commerce. In 1903 we carried less than 8 per cent. The cent of this were spent to encourage any in defense of the cause of his section, and before he was 21 years of age he won promotion to a captaincy, being the youngest captain in the famous "Walthall's brigade," commanded by the distinguished senator from Mississippi. Returning home at the close of the war he found his father's estate swept away and the family penniless. he has been twice re-elected.

Commission's Purpose. The purpose of the marine commis-sion is the investigation of two main questions-America's merchant marin and American sailors. It is hoped to bring about the gradual upbuilding of increase the number of American sea-men employed. Many and diverse con-ditions have been brought out by the

to investigate actual conditions and two vessels flying American flags gather data upon which to base future abroad, one was a warship and the other legislation. This is the mission of the a private yacht. No merchant vessels a private yacht. No merchant vessels flying the stars and stripes were en-countered. Out of 262 vessels going through the Suez canal during a stated period only one carried our colors. These facts indicate the condition of American

shipping. Cause of Decline, "When it comes to causes of these things, we deal with more complex questions. It seems to cost more to questions. It seems to cost more to build American ships. Expense of op-eration is greater than that of foreign ships. American ships must have for-eign officers and they must get higher pay. And the food given the men is regulated by act of congress and is as a consequence of higher cost and better quality than that aboard foreign ves-sels. Those are some of the reasons for American in some form of the evidences of the extent of this deterioration is the fact that no this deterioration is the fact that no keel for an American bottom for foreign trade has been laid in two years, James J. Hill's big steamers were the last.

Book Remedies. "As to remedies, that is something on which we have formed no opinions as yet. We want to hear everything we can. We want the newspapers and the people to help us all they can. We believe that what we can accomplish will be largely in the way of a begin the country and the commercial interests will wake up to the importance of the thing and will accomplish those things which laws cannot do. That it is important is well shown by the one fact that we pay out \$200,000,000 to foreign countries for carrying our exports and

mports yearly.
"Now as to what the laws can do Some propose ship subsidy according to the lines of the Hanna-Frye bill. That does not seem to meet with popular fa-vor. It has not thus far. Its draw-backs and redeeming features have been discussed in our presence of course.

Then there is the plan of discriminative duties, but that would neces-

sitate the abrogation of some thirty-odd commercial treaties now in existence. Of course, this could be done, but such duties would be very complicated.

"Some advocate freedom of interference by law-letting men buy their ships abroad or anywhere, and so permitting the matter to adjust itself, as they say, along natural lines. But leaving aside the question of patriotism, it seems hardly business to let all this money continue to go into foreign continue to go into foreign

Postal Subvention Plan.

"Another remedy for present conditions has been discussed. This is the postal subvention plan. It amounts to a sort of subsidy, roughly speaking. The government practices it in some cases. For instance, the Ward steamship line receives such pay for carrying the mails so that it is able to maintain nineteen steamers on its run, though but four receive this pay. Such postal subvention is used on Southern railroads, where mail is carried to insure faster service than could be otherwise secured. By adopting this plan on a large scale, we could send steamships to countries where our flag is rarely if ever seen flying from the masthead, and we could build up trade with those countries.

"As I say, our purpose is to start things. That is all we can do. Supposing our recommendations were to be carried out and the consequent laws to work as we would tope they might, that would be a beginning, a stimulation of the industry that is too fast dying out. Then we hope the commercial interests of the country and the country's people will do the rest." Postal Subvention Plan. country's people will do the rest."

POWER PLANT ON THE SANDY.

According to surveys and estimates made recently on the Big Sandy between Alder creek and Buil Run ample power for the operation of an electric line between Portland and Salem can be secured by harnessing the Big Sandy river, and this will be done by the company recently incorporated to build a line to Salem and beyond. Ten acres of the Thomas land and entire ranch of J. Spain on the Big Sandy near Buil Run have been purchased. Rights of way have been secured from the power plant site up the Big Sandy to Alder creek and in that distance it is said a fall of nearly 300 feet can be secured in the Big Sandy river by the building of a flume or canal. The site for the station is about 24 miles from Portland.

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At the plaza, opposite the county courthouse, this evening the following program will be given by Brown's mili-tary band:

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Scenes from "Amorita"... Czibulka
A novelette—"In a Cozy Corner"..
Bratton
Oriental dance—"Sultana"... Voelker
Two-step—"Sunrise in Georgia". Camp
Charles L. Brown, Conductor.

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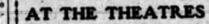
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Portland's theatre-goers are unanimous in declaring "Mascotte a la Newberg" to be the best thing they have seen this summer. There are many reasons why it is the best. It is the merriest of comic operas, interpreted by a good company. The costumes, scenery and light effects are the finest, and Producer Zinn may well consider it his best effort. The Shields' productions will be seen every evening except Sunday at Shields' park, weather permitting, on Sunday afternoons and nights and on inclement evenings at Cordray's. EVERYBODY LIKES "MASCOTTE."

THE BLIOU DID IT.

When the Bijou opened it adopted the motto. "Nothing but the best." It has constantly held to this watchword and this week's bill proves it. Hear Bernard Williams, "The Man From London," tell his birthmark story this evening. You'll repeat it. Post and Ashley have a sketch-comedy that has made them famous everywhere. President Roosevelt is shown in the vitascope pictures delivering his Fourth of July speech. John Neffe is different from the ordinary black-face man. The only Edna Foley has filustrated songs that every one likes to hear. Drop in.

"THE PRINCE OF LIARS." Sydney Grundy's farce of farces will be the final offering of the Baker theatre company. It will begin with the matinee Sunday afternoon and con-tinue next week, playing the usual matinee Saturday. It is a bright, clever and original play, telling a clear defined story of a maze of trouble and compli-cations one slight indiscretion led a very respectable man into.

"LITTLE LORD PAUNTLEBOY." "Little Lord Fauntieroy" is drawing rowded houses at the Baker this week and its success is perhaps largely due to the complete and finished perform-ance given by the Baker Theatre company. This requires a first-class com-pany with rich stage settings and scenery to meet with success and these are evident at the Baker. The last performance will be given tomorrow

THE NEW "O TVETTE." Next week commencing Monday night the Shields company will present the latest version of that famous old comic opera success "O Yvette." For this opera success "O Yyette." For this revival special scenery and costumes have been provided. The ballet arrangements are all new and the comedy has been brought down to date. In addition to the well-known gems in the original a number of the newest song successes will be introduced. All the favorite members of the organization will be seen and the new offering will prove as popular as have others by Zinz given this season.

NEW HOURS AT STAR.

The first evening performance at the Star theatre now begins promptly at 7:30 p. m., which enables the full program to be presented three times during the evening. The engagement of the Royal Italian band has proved to



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An originator these enlightened days is scarce, but so far as possible the Lyric imitates none. This week's bill is up to the standard and the team of Teggie and Donnet is the original German sketch team, making more laughs to the minute than one can well count. Next and McDoneld are scoring a bit.

DIPH MINES DIT city; Corkey the comedy juggler has certain the bill is good. See it.

LASKA MAN SAYS THE YUKON REGION WAS MANY VALUABLE CLAIMS BUT THAT HUNDREDS OF MINERS COME EVERY WEEK TO BE DISAPPOINTED.

Mr. and Mrs. A: H. Roberts of Daw on are guests at the Perkins hotel, after six years roughing it among the mining camps of the Yukon country. Mr. Roberts for years traveled the Pacific northwest as a commercial drummer for eastern dry goods firms, and six years ago he became so deeply interested in mining that he quit the road and took up a number of claims on creeks in the country tributary to Dawson. His wife country tributary to Dawson. His wife joined him a year later, and with the exception of one or two brief sojourns in the states both of them have since spent their lives in the mining camps. Mrs. Roberts is fond of the far north and thinks the climate there possesses advantages over that of Portland.

"Dawson is dull just now," says Mr. Roberts. "While the city and its surrounding territory is still the richest mining camp to be found anywhere, business at Dawson is slow, and I doubt if it will again have the business it formerly had. The reason is that there are settlements started all through the country for 50 miles around Daw-

and means of transportation entirely independent of Dawson, so that the business that once centered at Dawson is now distributed among many widely sep-arated merchants. There are at the Star theatre now begins promptly at 7:30 p. m., which enables the full program to be presented three times during the evening. The engagement of the Royal Italian band has proved to be one of the most gratifying successes yet offered by the management. Next week Hugh J. Emmett, the most prominent ventriloquist in America, will appear at the Star. He will undoubtedly receive the same enthusiastic reception which has been accorded this week to Golden and Weaver, the "Twin Princes of Fools." Next Monday and thereafter there will be two matinee performances at the Star, be ginning at 2:30 and 3:20 o'clock.

AMATSUR RIGET.

The night of all nights in vaudeville is "amateur night" at the Arcade theatre, and that murthful event occurs this evening. At the end of every performance tonight a number of clever amateurs who have expressed a desire to enter the theatrical profession will be "tried out" on the Arcade stage, and will endeavor to prove to the audienoes that they are really entitled to be classed as vaudevillians. For next week the management announces the engagement of Westin, the man with a thousand faces under one hat. He will face a happy looking audience because the people will not be through laughing at the Mymiscialities of Sam Hood, the Ethiopian comedian, who is making a hit at the Arcade this week.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA MINES MAY BE SOLD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Vancouver, B. Ch. July 23.—Two mining men of importance are at present visiting Vancouver. One is J. Burley Smith of Montreal, Quebec, and the other Samuel Calvin of Iowa City, Ia. Mr Smith, it is stated, is acting for eastern people in the purchase of several mining properties in this province, and negotiations are now in progress for the transfer of the Lake anderson mines, near Lillooet, B. C. Mr. Smith has secured an option which calls for

the payment of \$40,000—\$10,000 payable on the first of October and the remainder in February of next year.

Mr. Calvin's visit is to inspect some dredging properties, also in the Lilloost district. He is one of the directors of the Hawkeye Gold Mining & Dredging company, which controls claims in that portion of the province. Other directors of the company are expected here shortly, to be present at the formal taking over of the recently constructed dredge which is now being operated by the company which constructed it.

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