

GOOD EVENING
The Weather.
Showers and cooler; Wednesday, cloudy, showers; wind, southerly.

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FORESTERS IN SESSION

Grand Court of Oregon Gathers for Eleventh Biennial Meeting.

LIVELY CONTEST FOR LEADING OFFICES

Important Changes in By-Laws Relating to Applications for Admission Will Be Discussed by Delegates.

At the afternoon's meeting of the eleventh biennial session of the grand court of Oregon, Foresters of America, a lively contest developed in the election of officers to serve during the next two years. The struggle centered in the election of a grand chief ranger, a grand secretary and three representatives to attend the supreme session in Buffalo next August. Factional interests are said to have watched the election was a test of the strength of the contenders.

The eleventh biennial session of the grand court of Oregon opened this morning at 10 o'clock at Foresters hall, Second and Yamhill streets. It was called to order by W. H. Klepper, grand chief ranger. Routine business was transacted and committees appointed. Reports were submitted by the grand chief ranger and the grand secretary, showing the development and growth of the order during the past two years and the financial condition showing steady and substantial growth and conditions that are regarded as extremely satisfactory to members of the order.

Every Court Represented.
Sixty delegates and grand officers are attending the session, representing every court in the state of Oregon. Among the important matters of legislation to be decided at the present session is the proposed change in the by-laws of the order pertaining to the admission of candidates. Up to this time it has been the custom to receive applications of candidates for admission, appoint a committee to investigate, then accompany the candidate to the office of the examining physician. In case he is rejected by the physician, his application for membership is of course rejected.

It is proposed, according to the contemplated change, that candidates visit the examining physician before submitting his application for membership. In case he is unable to pass the physical requirements for membership, the order will avoid the trouble and inconvenience of having a personal examination of the candidate by the committee. The proposed change is said to be the custom of a majority of fraternal insurance companies.

At the morning's session a press committee was appointed, consisting of W. E. Snyder and A. Backerson.
Officers in Attendance.
The officers of the grand court and members of the standing committees attending the present session are as follows:

Grand chief ranger, W. H. Klepper of La Grange; grand sub-chief ranger, A. J. C. Schroeder of Astoria; grand treasurer, R. P. Gill of Portland; grand secretary, S. Kafka of Portland; grand recording secretary, S. O. Dillman of Oregon City; grand senior woodward, W. H. Warner of Albany; grand junior woodward, D. D. Wilder of The Dalles; grand senior beadle, Dr. F. C. Brodus of Hood River; grand junior beadle, A. W. Sevange of Tillamook; grand trustees, W. T. Coburn of Grants Pass, F. W. L. Skibbe of The Dalles, and John Ecklund of Portland.

Supreme representatives—C. G. Burkhardt, Albany, Oregon; J. A. Watson, Portland, Oregon; A. L. Brown, Salem, Oregon.
Standing committees: Grand arbitration—W. E. Snyder, Court Mount Hood No. 1; H. J. White, Court Multnomah No. 3; James McKinley, Court Webfoot No. 4; J. J. Johnson, Court Webfoot No. 4; Dr. Edward Dierlich, Court Germania No. 5; C. F. Munson, Court Scandia No. 7.
Grand auditors—F. R. Bingley, Court Mount Hood No. 1; J. J. Johnson, Court Webfoot No. 4; C. E. Munson, Court Scandia No. 7.
Transportation—W. M. Richtmyer, Court Columbia No. 2; John Helbock, Court Webfoot No. 4; O. F. Neal, Court Heppner No. 44.

A special meeting of the local sanctuary of the Sherbrooke of America, the second degree of Forestry, will be held tomorrow evening for the purpose of initiating candidates. At the same time the Arabian degree Klan will be conferred on the grand court officers attending the session of Foresters. Invitations have been issued to the special meeting by L. F. Rasmussen, financial secretary.

BIG ELECTRIC FAILURE CAUSED BY BIGELOW

(Journal Special Service.)
Milwaukee, May 16.—A receiver was appointed today for the National Electric company, capitalized at \$2,500,000. Frank Bigelow, former president of the First National bank, was its president, but he resigned when his alleged defaultations became public.

SIRO SMELTER BURNED.

(Journal Special Service.)
Altoona, Kas., May 15.—The Cockerell zinc smelter was destroyed by fire today. The loss is \$100,000.



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GRAND CHIEF RANGER



W. J. COBURN
GRAND TRUSTEE



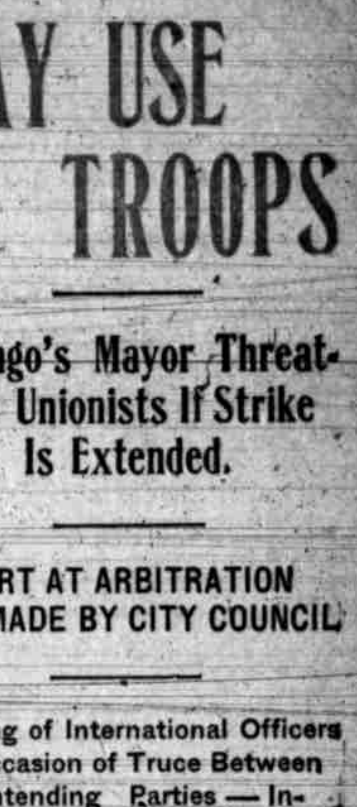
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GAMBLERS MUST GET MAYOR'S CONSENT

Men Who Would Make Milwaukee Monte Carlo May Not Know Law.

When Isaac Gratton, who is said to be a representative of Portland gambling interests, gets his clubhouse completed and turns Milwaukee into a Monte Carlo, it will be "up to" the mayor and executive board of Portland to step in and arrest everybody concerned in the illegal undertaking and seize and destroy all the paraphernalia installed in the building.

SECTIONS THAT DEAL WITH GRATTON'S SCHEME

Charter Gives Portland Jurisdiction Over Games Within Four Miles of City Limits.

Such action is made obligatory on the city officials by the city charter, the organic law governing the municipality of Portland. The reading of the charter is specific—it empowers the mayor and the executive board to arrest all persons engaged in gambling or conducting a gambling game in the city or within four miles of the corporate limits.

Milwaukee is located only a short distance from the corporate limits of the city, and the opinion of a number of officials there is no method by which the plain reading of the instrument can be evaded.

It is true that Milwaukee is located in Clackamas county, but under the provisions of the charter this does not constitute a loophole by which the gamblers can carry on their illegal operations, even though they should receive the protection of the Clackamas authorities.

Force of City Charter.

A city charter forms an act of the legislature, and has all the force of state law. No municipal ordinance or county government act can interfere with its provisions. In fact, a city charter forms a special law and takes precedence of a general law. By the provisions of the Portland city charter the local officials are given jurisdiction as regards gambling, lottery establishments and forms of amusement which are characterized as obscene over all territory lying within four miles of the corporate limits of the city, without regard to the county in which such illegal acts may take place.

Not only is this true—the charter, a special law, goes farther than the general laws on gambling, and gives the municipal authorities much more power than is granted state or county officers. The municipal officials are authorized to seize gambling paraphernalia and have it destroyed. No provision for seizing or destroying the apparatus used in gambling is made by state law.

Police Arrest and Prosecute.

The action of the mayor and executive board is to be taken through the chief of police. On this official falls the duty of prosecuting the offenders after he shall have placed them under arrest. The charter mentions specifically that he shall prosecute them "vigorously," and shall cause all the seized articles to be destroyed.

Furthermore, the mayor and executive board are required afterward to notify in writing the owner of the premises in which the law shall have been violated that the building has been used for unlawful purposes and that he must cause its use in violation of the law to cease.

Promises Must Have Been Made.

That the projectors of the scheme have some sort of understanding with the Clackamas authorities, and more particularly with the city council of Milwaukee, is looked on as assured; otherwise, they would not take so long a chance on erecting a building and going to the expense necessary to conducting a gambling establishment. The apparatus which they intend to employ was formerly used in Portland gambling houses.

In connection with the establishment, it is said, a poolroom, according to the



O. F. NEAL
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PAYS \$150,000 FOR KLAMATH CANAL

Secretary Hitchcock Accepts Offer of Oregon Ditch Company to Sell.

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It is estimated that the cost of reclamation will be \$18,600 an acre, which is materially less than the usual cost of reclaiming arid lands.

JUMPS FROM TRAIN TO SEE A BASEBALL GAME

(Journal Special Service.)
New York, May 16.—The champion baseball fan of the season was discovered today when George Steven, after making a trip to Boston to see the New York-Chicago game, took a flying leap from a train at One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street station on discovering that the express he was on did not stop.

GROUND BROKEN FOR IDAHO TIMBER ROAD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Palouse, Wash., May 16.—Ground was broken yesterday for the construction of the Washington, Idaho & Montana railroad, which will be built by the Pullatch Lumber company 45 miles into its pine timber holdings in Idaho. The contract calls for the completion of the road by August, 1906. To accomplish this it will be necessary to employ from 1,200 to 1,500 men. At present about 300 men are at work on the grade. The road will cost about \$1,000,000. The Pullatch Lumber company will build a four-barred mill capable of turning out 150,000,000 feet of lumber a year and employing 4,000 men.

LANDING IN CHINA DENIED BY KAISER

Report of Germany's Taking Possession of Haichou Bay Creates Sensation.

(Journal Special Service.)
London, May 16.—A dispatch to Reuters from Tokio stating that German troops have occupied Haichou in the southern portion of the province of Shantung, a province of China, has created a great sensation here.

A Shanghai dispatch states that the reported landing is regarded as doubtful there and the rumor possibly originated from the presence of a German boat in the harbor on a surveying expedition.

STEAMER IS SUNK BY MINE AT PORT ARTHUR

Russian Jews in Warsaw Shot Down by Troops and Several Are Injured.

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ST. LOUIS BOODLERS' CASES ARE REVERSED

(Journal Special Service.)
Jefferson City, Mo., May 16.—The cases of Charles F. Kelly and Charles Gutke, convicted of hooding in the St. Louis municipal assembly, were today reversed and remanded by the supreme court on the ground that the information on which they were indicted were not properly verified.

CHILD DRINKS IODINE.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Lakeside, Wash., May 16.—The 2-year-old daughter of Bert Van Metzger of this place will probably die on account of drinking iodine yesterday.

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MAY USE TROOPS

Chicago's Mayor Threatens Unionists If Strike Is Extended.

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