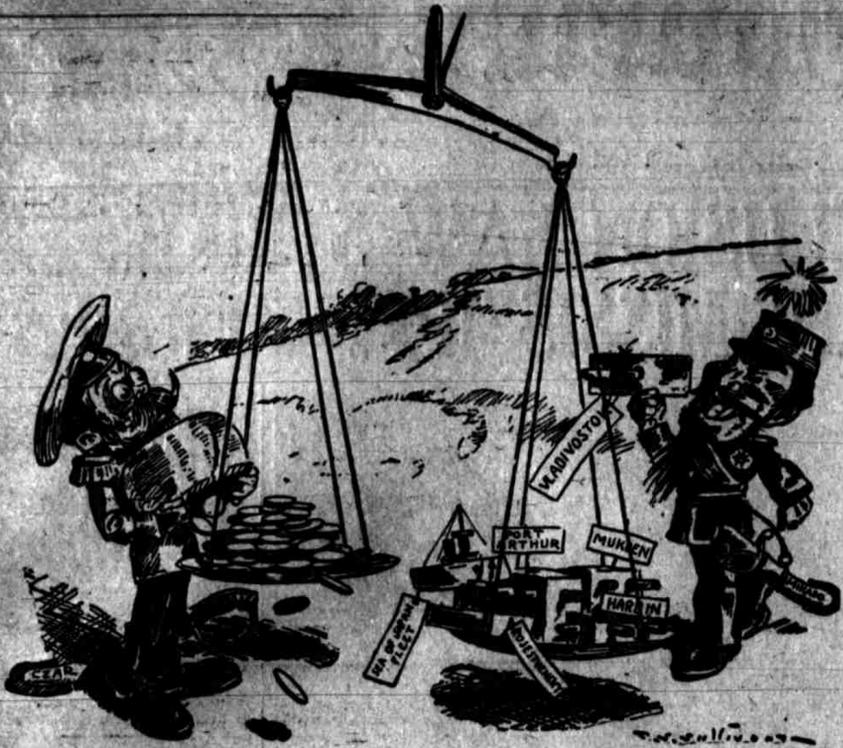


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The Mikado—Hold on, Nick, Here's Another One!

LIVES LOST IN THE FLAMES

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knelt upon the sidewalk and prayed loudly and most fervently.

In a room on the second floor lived Harry Blitts with his wife and child. Blitts is employed as a "barber" at a Trill amusement concession and it was there that he found a stray dog Thursday night. Blitts lost \$90 in gold. He patted the dog, which accompanied him to his home.

In the annex in the rear of the hotel lived the family of E. F. Donaldson, who is a friend of the Blitts family. Both the Blitts family and the Donaldsons were sound asleep when the fire started and were not aroused by the commotion. It was then that the "cur dog" that Blitts had befriended returned the kindness that had been shown him. He barked and whined at his master's door until he succeeded in arousing him. Then he rushed to the annex, where the Donaldsons live. He barked and whined until he aroused them, then went deliberately across the street, stretched himself out on the sidewalk and watched the fire. The cur was adopted by a company of firemen this morning.

It was only a few seconds after the alarm was turned in that the exposition company, in command of Battalion Chief Dowell, hose No. 6, truck No. 3, and engine 2 responded. The fire was beyond control on their arrival.

Medic Found by Fireman. However, the firemen at once set about saving the adjoining buildings. Streams of water were turned on the hotel and firemen went through the various rooms. In the toilet, where he had evidently gone in an effort to escape, Captain Elliott found the body of a man badly burned.

In a room in the extreme northeast corner of the second floor of the hotel Chief Dowell found the body of another man lying beside the bed, where he had evidently fallen.

Joe Stubbs, a dishwasher employed at the hotel, was seriously injured about the face, but refused to go to the hospital. Mrs. Harper, after working heroically in arousing and rescuing her guests, was prevented by the flames from leaving the building by the stairway. She was forced to jump from the veranda of the second story and was severely injured.

H. Van Alstine, proprietor of the hotel, is in Spokane. The hotel is said to have been a failure as a business proposition. The loss is estimated at \$2,500, which is covered by insurance.

Suspicious Looking Wounds. Miss Lubet has badly discolored eyes,

which seem to be due from blows with a flat. But so far as known there was no quarrel in Miss Lubet's room. Pollner had the room next to her, and directly over the room in which the fire started, and he heard no sound of a fight. When he broke into Miss Lubet's room he found her stupid and he had to arouse her. There is a suspicion that Miss Lubet was the victim of a vicious assault, and her assailant, fearing that he had killed her, set fire to the hotel to cover up his crime.

Awakened by Flames. "How the fire started I do not know, but I have my suspicions," said A. C. Pollner, the young brewer who discovered the blaze and awakened Mrs. Ida Harper by pulling the call bell and shouting fire. The only one of the lodgers that Mr. Pollner was unable to awaken by the bell, his cries and his rapping was Miss Lubet, who had a room near his apartment, and who like him, is now a patient at St. Vincent's hospital. Miss Lubet is suffering from an injury to her spine, and slight hopes are entertained for her recovery.

"Leaving my suspicions aside for the present," continued Mr. Pollner, "I will tell you just how I was awakened. I was in the room next to mine. There was a flash of light, even the light of a match, will arouse me in a second. At 8:50 o'clock this morning I was awakened by a flash of light; then came a second flash. I jumped from bed, pulled on my trousers, and in these and my undershirt—all I saved from the fire—I rushed from my room on the second floor to the one directly below me, where I had, probably by mistake, located the fire. There was a mattress on the floor and it was on fire. No one was in the room.

Head to Jump for Life. "There were only six rooms on the lower floor, and I had no trouble in getting the lodgers out. When all were safe I took a second look at the mattress and found it burning fiercely. I rushed up stairs and gave the alarm there. I found Miss Lubet's door locked, and all my kicking and rapping did not awaken her. I did not know the woman by name or by sight, but when I found the door locked I knew that the room was occupied and I determined to save a life if I could.

"Meantime, the flames which I had left three minutes before had spread to the upper floor. There was no chance for me or the women to escape by the stairway, which was already in flames, and so I kicked the door in, aroused the woman, told her that the building was on fire, threw open a window and ordered her to jump. She was scarcely awake at the time, but I aroused her sufficiently to a sense of her danger, pointed to a tree which was directly under her window and told her to jump toward it and try to catch hold of a limb. She jumped, but she was so excited that she did not try to catch a branch of the tree.

Broke Her Spine. "She hit the ground straight and broke her spine. I thought she was safe when I saw her leap, and as the fire had broken into the room I lost no time in following. I did not look for the open window, but instead I went through the first window I saw, and I got a couple of bad scratches on the arms as the result. In jumping I believe I must have caught a branch of the tree, because I felt no jar when I struck the ground.

Pollner said that both his right and left arms were scratched, probably by broken glass, but the wounds were not serious. His physicians told him he would be able to leave the hospital in a week or two.

"As to my suspicions of the origin of the fire," resumed Mr. Pollner, after he had spoken of his wounds, "I do not want to say anything that might be construed as an accusation. This I will say: One of the waiters at the hotel was an inveterate cigarette smoker. The roomer discovered the blaze and dragged the mattress of the bed and onto the floor. He had probably done his best to extinguish the fire, but as he was unsuccessful he gave up the job and ran out of the house without giving the alarm. If that man can be found he will be able to tell how the fire originated.

Miss Lubet, who jumped from the window at the direction of Pollner, sustained a fracture of the spine and also received a severe blow to her right eye. When she was taken to the hospital an anesthetic was administered and her back was put in a plaster cast. She recovered consciousness in a slight degree this morning, but all she could say was:

"I am tired of lying in this position." She repeated this many times.

Dead Men From British Columbia. John A. Gore, who is staying at the Van Dusen residence next to the ill-fated hotel, stated that he talked with the two men who were burned to death just a short time before they retired, that they looked like farmers, and that judging from the appearance of their hands they had just left off hard work in the morning. If that man can be found he will be able to tell how the fire originated.

"The men told me that they resided in British Columbia some distance from Vancouver," said Mr. Gore. "They came to the hotel yesterday morning and had arranged to stay several days. They had planned to take breakfast and dinner at the hotel, but said they would get their luncheon outside.

"The taller was about 6 feet 2 inches in height. He wore a striped shirt and dark clothes and had a heavy mustache. His companion appeared to be about 38 years old, was smooth faced, of dark complexion, light eyes and wore a black suit. The corners of his mouth turned up slightly, while his nostrils were prominent.

Deputy Coroner Arthur Finley searched the rooms occupied by the dead men, but was unable to find anything to identify the men. He found several tin-trays of the smaller and younger of the two. Scraps of a Canadian Pacific railway ticket receipt, which are supposed to be given by a conductor of that road as a receipt for tickets taken up; the coupon was "Form 177" and also contained the numbers "414644"; it had been punched so as to show plainly the name "Carlin," a station on the Canadian Pacific.

Mrs. Harper's Story. Mrs. Harper, who had charge of the hotel, was badly burned about the face. It was largely due to her heroism that the loss of life was not greater, as soon as she had been awakened she told that the building was on fire she rushed upstairs, and knowing where the guests were sleeping, called them.

"Just as soon as I was called by Pollner I ran up stairs," said Mrs. Harper. "There were five people sleeping there, and I knew where their rooms were. All were called. There was a fire at all in the front of the hotel when I called, but by the time I had spread the alarm the whole building was ablaze, and I barely had time to jump from the second story and save myself.

Rocky McCleod, a waiter at the hotel, and myself were the only persons who slept down stairs. Miss Lubet was the only woman in the house besides myself.

"Yesterday morning our hotel was full of lodgers, but nearly all left in the afternoon. We had a great many steady boarders who did not room at the hotel, many of the exposition firemen being among them.

Builds Against the Law. The State Room Inn was one of the finest constructed buildings to which The Journal called attention last spring at the time it was erected, and while the building inspector and Battalion Chief Young of the fire department declared was a veritable firetrap. An in-

spection was made by the authorities before it was finished, and it was discovered that the building ordinance was flagrantly violated.

"It was one of the buildings with which we had so much trouble last spring," said Chief Young this morning. "After it was nearly finished we discovered that it was short of timber and we had considerable difficulty in forcing the owner to reinforce the structure in order to make it safe.

"It was one of those buildings which had but few safeguards against fire, but there was nothing we could do, for the city building ordinance does not specify the openings and stairways and other details of escape necessary in such a structure. The ordinance only states the number of exits and stairways and fire escapes on buildings of three stories or more.

The building permit was granted March 9 by H. W. Van Alstine and the structure was to cost \$2,500. It was designated as a temporary structure, with the understanding that it would be razed at the close of the fair.

RAILROADS READY FOR BATTLE

Reorganization of Traffic Departments of Harriman System in Preparation for War

POPULAR, ABLE MEN IN CHARGE OF BUSINESS

In the Next Five Years Pacific Northwest Will Be the Most Interesting Railway Chessboard in the Entire Country.

The personnel of the heads of the traffic departments of the Harriman lines in this city was an important consideration in the reorganization announced yesterday by The Journal. The freight-traffic departments of both the Southern Pacific and the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company are being reorganized, it is said, along admirable but distinctive lines, both successful in business-getting. To combine these elements of success for the benefit of both roads has been the aim of Traffic Director Stubbs.

"Conan is the friend-maker; Miller is the rate man," said a Chicago official, discussing the impending change a few weeks ago, when it was in the nebulous stage. "What we want is to get Conan and Conan's road in seeking to make its business department most effective in this territory. Portland is recognized as the storm center of future rail transportation on this coast. The Northern Pacific is seeking to make its strong card, but the play will not be much longer withheld. It will come from the operating department. The Milwaukee is heading for Portland with all its energy and the Northwest's weather eye is kept steadily on this port. The Gould system has no intention of strapping its rails to San Francisco without throwing out a line of steel to Portland and the sound.

The Pacific northwest will, it is said, be the most interesting railroad chessboard in this country during the next five years, with not less than half a dozen railroad presidents playing the game.

The reorganization of the Harriman traffic department has been under consideration since the coming of P. C. Stohr, assistant traffic director, to this coast last spring. One of Mr. Stohr's first duties after his appointment by Mr. Stubbs, was to make a study of the situation of the field in the Pacific northwest, with a view to strengthening the position of the Harriman roads in the business scramble between Mr. Harriman and his ancient enemy, Mr. Hill.

Paul Shoup, who is appointed assistant general freight agent, comes from San Jose, where he was district freight agent for Southern Pacific. W. D. Skinner, named as third assistant general freight agent, has been chief clerk in Mr. Miller's office.

DR. STRONG TO SPEAK AT WHITE TEMPLE

Dr. Josiah Strong, the noted preacher and orator, when speaking at the civic conference, will preach morning and evening at the White Temple Sunday. This will be the last opportunity the people of Portland will have to hear the noted specialist in foreign visit to Portland. His morning theme will be, "Is Our Civilization Christian?" At night, "A New Interpretation of Christianity and the New Civilization."

VIEW MAGNIFICENT.

Observatory Tower the Place to See Snow-Capped Mountains.

Within 15 minutes' ride of the hotel, away up in the sky, is located the Lewis and Clark Observatory, 1,000 feet above the city. From this great height the view of the city and the surrounding mountains is magnificent. Five great snow-capped mountain peaks ranging in height from 10,000 to 14,500 feet and from 60 to 100 miles distant, add to this the panorama of the great Columbia and Willamette valleys and the city of Portland, with its numerous surrounding towns, and you have a scene which will never be effaced from your memory. Take Portland and get off at Hawthorne Terrace. Electric elevator, Admission, 15c. Open till 10 p. m.

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September 7, 8, 9 and 10, the O. R. & N. places on sale very low rate long-time tickets east, according to O. O. F. Particulars by asking at city ticket office, Third and Washington streets, Portland.

Counting will be done on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and the Standing of the Candidates Announced to the Public the following day.

Greatest Side Trips WHY NOT SEE HAWAII? At the Expense of The Journal

Do you realize that you are only two thousand miles or five days' journey from the Hawaiian Islands, the farthest habitable west of the United States, and that a better opportunity to see this MID-SEAS WONDERLAND never will be presented?

The JOURNAL PAYS ALL EXPENSES

The trip is a summer voyage. STODDARD called it "floating to Paradise on an even keel," and not once in twenty times is the sea so rough that table racks are necessary. In fact, ordinarily, an orange placed on a table would not change position from the GOLDEN GATE to DIAMOND HEAD. The vessels are of the newest type, largest size, the most improved accommodations. And at the end of your journey is a climate the most equable in the world, and a series of sights which rival the wonders of Europe and America.

WILL YOU BE ONE OF THEM?

Certainly no other side trip promises such a variety of views, such health-giving and refreshing change of scene, and will repay you so many-fold for your visit. The time is at hand to enter The Journal's Contest. YOU MAY BE ONE of the party of eight to make this trip.

Conditions of The Journal's Honolulu Tour Contest:

FIRST—Any young lady over 18 years of age may be nominated at any time on blanks provided by The Journal, with the endorsement of two well-known citizens of the district in which she resides.

SECOND—Three judges agreeable to the different candidates shall be selected to officially announce the winner in each district, one young lady to be chosen from each district.

THIRD—As in other elections, each district shall vote separately. The vote in one cannot affect the other. Matters properly concerning the district will be settled by the wishes of the majority. The winner shall have the right to name a secret if unable to attend herself.

FOURTH—Voting will commence Thursday, August 2, 1908, and close Saturday, December 20, at 8 o'clock p. m., 1908. Coupons must be voted within seven days after issue. Coupons cut from the Daily Journal must be neatly trimmed. All coupons, whether single or special, must bear the name of the candidate to be voted for.

COUPONS ARE GIVEN AS FOLLOWS: FIFTEEN—Single coupons, cut from the daily paper, are good for one vote. Subscription to the Evening Journal and Sunday Morning Journal, three months, \$1.50, a special coupon of 150 votes (paid in advance). Subscription to Evening and Sunday Morning Journal, six months, \$2.75, a special coupon of 300 votes (paid in advance). Subscription to the Evening and Sunday Morning Journal, 12 months, \$4.50, a special coupon of 600 votes (paid in advance). Subscription to the Evening and Sunday Morning Journal, three months by mail, \$1.50, a special coupon of 150 votes (paid in advance). Subscription to the Evening and Sunday Morning Journal, six months by mail, \$2.75, a special coupon of 300 votes (paid in advance). Subscription to the Evening and Sunday Morning Journal, 12 months by mail, \$4.50, a special coupon of 600 votes (paid in advance).

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I vote for.....

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Any information regarding conditions of the Honolulu tour should be addressed to the manager of the Contest Department of The Journal.

HERE IS THE WAY THEY STAND

VOTES RECEIVED UP TO FRIDAY EVENING IN THE JOURNAL'S HONOLULU TRIP

DISTRICT No. 1	Total Vote
MISS LURA BATY, 340 San Rafael Street	12,367
MISS MINNIE S. PHILLIPS, Deputy Clerk Circuit Court	9,601
MISS GRETCHEN KURTH, Telephone Operator Portland Hotel	3,988
MISS SADIE WINTERMANTLE, City Dye Works	3,893
MISS EDITH BERN, 946 Stark Street	3,767
MISS BESS SHARON, 210 East Thirtieth Street	2,640
MISS RUTH LEE, 553 Hood Street	2,428
MISS LUCY GOULD, Telephone Operator Oregon Hotel	2,338
MISS SALLIE MADIGAN, 547 Flanders Street	2,293
MISS CORA JOLLY, 783 First Street	1,684
MISS GENIEVE HOLMES, 354 Harrison Street	1,678
MISS MARION LEAHY, Woodard, Clarke Drug Company	1,561
MISS MARGARET SMITH, 146 Fourteenth Street	1,334
MISS HENRIETTA WINKLEMAN, 407 East Couch Street	1,218
MISS NELLIE MUNGER, 586 Raleigh Street	1,152
MISS BURSE REDDICK, Oregon City	1,016
MISS IRENE HIGGINS, 685 Everett Street	1,006
MISS ELSA GRIESEL, 805 East Thirty-First Street	925
MISS LOUIE WEISENBACHER, Perkins Cigar Stand	810
MISS SOPHIE OLSON, 288 Ivy Street	60
MISS ALVA HULVERT, St. Johns	30
MISS LAURA A. DERBYSHIRE, 680 Water Street	10

DISTRICT No. 2	Total Vote
MISS MOLLY PROEBSTEL, La Grande, Oregon	2,856
MISS RUBY WHITTEMORE, Pendleton, Oregon	250
MISS AGNES FLETCHER, Pendleton, Oregon	150

DISTRICT No. 3	Total Vote
MISS EMILIE CROSSEN, The Dalles, Oregon	400

DISTRICT No. 4	Total Vote
MISS MYRTLE BRATTON, Baker City, Oregon	150
MISS ETHEL BARTON, Baker City, Oregon	100
MISS GERTRUDE TICE, Baker City, Oregon	75
MISS ETHEL PARKER, Baker City, Oregon	60

DISTRICT No. 5	Total Vote
MISS AMELIA WILLIAMS, Kelso, Washington (Voting Place, Kelso Confectionery Store.)	3,293
MISS KATHERINE GORE, Kalama, Washington (Voting Place, Kalama, G. W. Coffey's Store.)	1,685
MISS FLORENCE V. HEAVEN, Vancouver, Washington (Voting Place, Vancouver, 613 Main Street.)	658

DISTRICT No. 6	Total Vote
MISS LIZZIE VEATCH, Cottage Grove, Oregon	1,101
MISS MARY DAVIDSON, Salem, Oregon	1,011

DISTRICT No. 7	Total Vote
MISS BERTHA COURTEMANCHE, McMinnville, Oregon (Voting Place, McMinnville, S. P. Houser's Store.)	1,874
MISS MINNIE ROY, Dallas, Oregon	759
MISS MARIE HOGSTETLER, Hillsboro, Oregon	274
MISS ROSALE C. HOLSHHEIMER, Beaverton, Oregon	41
MISS LILLIAN WEBSTER, Philomath, Oregon	17

DISTRICT No. 8	Total Vote
MISS EDNA PARSLEY, Roseburg, Oregon	623
MISS DALE HARMON, Roseburg, Oregon (Voting Place, Hamilton Drug Store.)	516
MISS LOUISE T. JONES, Jacksonville, Oregon	103

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