

Rain tonight and Tuesday; strong southerly winds.



SCHOOLS ARE JAMMED

Many of the Buildings in the City Inadequate to Accommodate Rush of Students at Opening of Fall Term Today.

LAST YEAR'S ENROLLMENT EXCEEDED BY THOUSAND

Greatest Increase Shown on the East Side, While Extra Rooms Provided for High School Pupils Will Not Take Care of the Overflow, Leaving Difficult Problems to Be Solved.

Portland's public schools opened for the fall term today. The enrollment of pupils in many of the schools was larger than anticipated and teachers and school officials are having a difficult task arranging accommodations.

The increased attendance as shown by comparison with the number enrolled on the opening day of last year will exceed 1,000. The greatest increase is in the rapidly growing districts of the east side. In several of the schools the enrollment has nearly doubled and in others the percentage of increase is remarkable.

Highland school shows 229 more pupils than on the opening day last fall; Holladay school, 111; Peninsula, 39; Portsmouth, 44; Shaver, 132; Woodlawn, 110; and other schools show a like increase.

The only schools which show a decrease are the Couch school, in which a large number of the Atkinson pupils attended last year for the first month, owing to the unfinished condition of their own building, and the Marquam school, which is attended by only six pupils.

The enrollment of students at the high school is surprisingly large. At 10 o'clock this morning 1,018 applicants signed the roll for the 1,200 seats last year, showing an increase of 162. It is doubtful if the two rooms in the Atkinson and the two in the Ladd, set aside for recitation rooms for high school pupils, will be sufficient, and other accommodation may have to be secured.

City Superintendent Rigter was busy all morning reviewing the situation with his principals and some difficult problems presented themselves. The conditions will be reported to the school board which meets tonight, when steps will be taken to meet any exigency which may arise.

Early this morning from every part of the city, children with their books under their arms marched with happy hearts for their respective schools. It was a noisy but merry throng which gathered in the buildings as the gong struck the hour of 9, which signified the time for the actual work of the school year to begin.

Teachers listed the pupils and divided them off into their respective grades. Little in the nature of study or instruction was done today but lessons were assigned for tomorrow when the real work will begin.

Following is a comparison of the attendance at the schools on the opening day last year with today, so far as heard from up to 1 p. m.:

Table with 2 columns: School Name and Enrollment. Includes schools like Almsworth, Atkinson, Chapman, etc.

Milada Considers Protestants. (Journal Special Service.) Tokyo, Sept. 25.—The emperor is giving his personal attention to memorials presented the throne against the peace terms.

Good-roads Convention. (Journal Special Service.) Cincinnati, Ohio, Sept. 25.—The National Good-Roads association convened in this city today.

WATCH FOR THE NEXT OF THE SHORT STORIES

'Collector of the Port,' by Robert W. Chambers, is next in The Journal's banner series of 'short stories.' 'The Cambric Mask,' 'The Maid at Arms' or 'Ashes of Empire' may identify Robert W. Chambers to you. He has written many other books and many short stories, but none more entertaining than that which will be published next Sunday in The Journal's color magazine section.

JOHN ALEXANDER DOWIE

who says that one of his workers has won King Edward VII to the Christian Catholic church. The sketch shows him in characteristic pose, addressing his followers in Zion City.



ELIJAH THE PROPHET CLAIMS KING EDWARD AS A DOWIEITE

PEACE IS ASSURED FOR TEN YEARS

Text of Norwegian-Swedish Treaty Provides Compulsory Arbitration of Disputes.

(Journal Special Service.) Stockholm, Sept. 25.—The text of the protocol signed at Karstad by the Norwegian and Swedish commissioners is announced today. It shows that Norway made nearly every concession demanded by Sweden.

Article I deals with arbitration for all difficulties between the two nations providing compulsory arbitration for the next 10 years before The Hague tribunal of all disputes except those of the most vital interest.

The second article provides a neutral zone shall exist between the two nations and that all fortifications along the boundary shall be demolished. Article three provides that Norway shall permit the pasturing in northern Norway of reindeer owned by Swedish Laplanders.

Article four provides that traffic between the two nations shall be free and without restriction. Article five provides for a common waterway.

Each nation must give two years' notice of its intention to abrogate the treaty.

KANSAS STATE BANK FAILS BUT CAN PAY. (Journal Special Service.) Topeka, Kan., Sept. 25.—The Kansas State bank closed its doors today, going into voluntary liquidation. The Fidelity Trust company is named as assignee. The deposits amount to \$4,500,000. The capital stock of the bank was \$200,000.

It is announced that the failure is due to the failure of the balloon bank in Clinton, Missouri, which was closely allied to the Topeka institution in business relations. The assignees state that depositors will be paid in full.

New Bank at Gresham. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Gresham, Or., Sept. 25.—Work is well under way now for Gresham's new bank building at the corner of Main and Powell. The structure will be of brick and will be an ornament to the locality. The bank will be a great convenience to farmers in this section.

Monarch's Conversion Is Announced by Restorer to the Christian Catholic Church.

GOSPEL WAS PROCLAIMED BY FEMALE MISSIONARY

Woman Called at Palace and Demanded to See the King—Through His Influence All Royal Heads Are Reading Tracts.

(Journal Special Service.) Wankagan, Ill., Sept. 25.—At Shiloh tabernacle, Zion City, yesterday afternoon, John Alexander Dowie made the startling statement that King Edward of England had been converted to the belief of the Christian Catholic church.

According to Dowie's story, a woman member of the London restoration host, in the course of her duties in visiting houses and distributing Zion literature, came to King Edward's palace and demanded to see the king. This was granted her and after several visits Dowie claims the king was converted.

After this, through the king's influence, Dowie stated, his literature is now being read in every royal household in Europe. It is not long ago that Dowie was mobbed in Australia for denouncing the king. Dowie stated that the restoration host had now 7,000 members, who visit the homes of people all over the world and distribute Zion literature. He says they have covered Chicago eight times and have distributed 4,000,000 copies of his papers.

CZAR'S CALL FOR PEACE FROWNED ON IN JAPAN

(Journal Special Service.) Tokyo, Sept. 25.—It is considered here that the czar's proposal for a peace conference to meet at The Hague is not likely to attract much attention. Jiji Shimpu, which has hitherto been the only paper to notice the matter editorially, admits the advisability of such a conference, but regrets that the suggestion came from the czar, who so soon after the previous Hague conference provoked war with Japan, when his army and navy had frequently violated the rules of civilized warfare.

The paper suggests the proposal would be better received if it came from President Roosevelt, whose personality as well as efforts for the restoration of peace point him out as the fittest ruler to play the role.

The Price of Mercurium. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Gresham, Or., Sept. 25.—Three months of agony and loss of time in the reward that E. F. Smith, a nurseryman of this town, received for his heroic rescue of Miss Young at Heaside, June 27. While saving the young woman from drowning he scratched his hand on a buckle on her clothing. Blood-poisoning set in and he has been practically incapacitated since.

MRS. SCHWAB IS SUPPLICANT

Wife of Pittsburg Millionaire Desires of Becoming a Good Catholic.

(Journal Special Service.) Pittsburg, Sept. 25.—According to the most authentic reports circulated in the highest social circles, the wife of the Pittsburg millionaire who asked Pope Pius X to pray that she might become a good Catholic is none other than Mrs. Charles M. Schwab, wife of the former president of the United States Steel corporation.

A report from Rome is to the effect that the holy father's card upon which was written the sentence: 'Pray, holy father, that I may obtain the grace of becoming a good Catholic.'

Mrs. Schwab is abroad at present and was in Rome at the time the alleged supplication took place. Charles M. Schwab is and has always been a Catholic, although not what is considered a strict one. Mrs. Schwab has always been an Episcopalian. While religious differences have never caused any family disagreements, it is a well known fact that Mr. Schwab would be very happy to have his wife embrace Catholicism.

PALOUSE FARMERS OPEN STATE BANK AT COLFAX

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Colfax, Wash., Sept. 25.—The new Farmers' State bank has been fairly launched and will open for business October 2. Lilla F. Smith, the wheat king of Edincoot, has been elected president. H. E. Burdick of Spokane, cashier. The bank has a capital stock of \$100,000, of which 50 per cent was paid in today. One farmer wanted to take \$30,000 worth of stock, and the entire subscriptions amounted to more than double the actual capital of the bank.

CENTRALIA ANNEXES SURROUNDING COUNTRY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Centralia, Wash., Sept. 25.—The special election for the extension of the city limits was held here Saturday, September 23 and was carried by the small margin of two votes. There were only 97 votes cast. There was not a dissenting vote inside of the city limits. This makes the fourth time this election has been brought before the voters but always has been defeated heretofore partially on account of not being thoroughly canvassed and explained. This makes Centralia between 6,000 and 7,000 inhabitants and by far the largest city between Tacoma and Portland, and the largest inland city in western Washington.

Wear Crepe When Hill Weds.

Whitman College, Walla Walla, Wash., Sept. 25.—A sensation was created at the reception to new students in the gymnasium by the most prominent girls in college wearing crepe on their arms because of the marriage this week of Dorsey M. Hill, county clerk of Walla Walla county.

Mr. Hill has been a prominent figure about Whitman for several years, having coached several football teams. 'Dorsey,' as they call him, has always been a great ladies' man, having gone at some time with nearly every girl who came to college, but never having been able to concentrate his affections until he met his present wife the last year.

The idea of the girls wearing crepe to mourn the loss of their chance was greatly enjoyed by the old students, who had a great time wondering 'what Dorsey would say.' Mr. and Mrs. Hill are now in Portland at the fair, spending their honeymoon.

FREDERICK E. CARLTON PLEADS GUILTY TO BIGAMY

Suspected Slayer of Wife by Placing Needle Poisoned With Tetanus Germ in Her Shoe, Admits too Frequent Marriages and Will Go to Penitentiary.

(Journal Special Service.) New York, Sept. 25.—Frederick E. Carlton, Brooklyn's modern bluebeard, man of dark mysteries, many aliases and groom at many weddings, was brought into court today to make his plea. His face was pallid but his manner composed and deliberate. The indictments charged him with bigamy and grand larceny, and without a sign of emotion, Carlton pleaded guilty to each. His trial on charges of grand larceny began after he had pleaded to bigamy. Willetta Bird of Wexford, New Jersey, who was called as a witness against the bigamy trial, testified that she had married the defendant in 1894, under the name of Charles Parker. A month later she found that he had assumed the name and insisted upon a second marriage in his right name and the ceremony was performed. The mother of Mary Gorman, whom Carlton married in August last, and who is dead, testified. No defense was made and the verdict of guilty for the defendant was rendered. He then pleaded guilty to the charge of bigamy.

By this plea Carlton hopes to escape other and more serious charges hanging over him and on which 100 detectives for months past have been at work, for he is suspected of deliberately getting rid of his wife by placing tetanus insurance money by the most fiendish method of poisoning. Carlton's last two wives died of tetanus. In the latter case he is accused of placing tetanus virus on a needle which he used to sew the lining of the railroad yards. He went to jail. After that his aliases began to grow and the most authentic history of them obtainable gives them as Edward J. Martinez, army deserter, alleged bigamist, which died later in convulsions, and from the spinal column of the baby to have secured the virus used to infect his wife.

Carlton was born at Moberly, Missouri, 28 years ago. His right name is James E. McCandless. The first trace of him found outside of Moberly is at Clayton, Missouri, where he was arrested in 1888 after behaving suspiciously in the railroad yards. He went to jail. After that his aliases began to grow and the most authentic history of them obtainable gives them as Edward J. Martinez, army deserter, alleged bigamist, which died later in convulsions, and from the spinal column of the baby to have secured the virus used to infect his wife.

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PACKERS FORCED TO CUT RATES

President Stickney of the Chicago & Great Western Makes Admissions in Court.

(Journal Special Service.) Chicago, Sept. 25.—President A. B. Stickney of the Chicago & Great Western was the principal witness today for the defense in the suit brought in the federal court by the interstate commerce commission against 18 railroads to compel them to make lower rates on western traffic.

He was preceded by a number of unimportant witnesses, from whom not much was learned. According to Stickney's statements, the beef barons virtually dictate what rates they will pay the railroads, who are completely at the mercy of the packers.

Stickney practically dictate to the railroads what rates they shall pay, said President Stickney. 'The railroads are unable to refuse their demands but must comply or else be boycotted. The packers ask for a certain rate, the railroads quote the regular rates, the packers demand a lower rate, which is granted. As soon as this concession is obtained, the packers again demand a lower rate which is again granted. The packers will then make a demand for still another reduction, saying that some other railroad will make it. The railroads are all distrustful of each other and although they are in a traffic agreement do not stand by this agreement, so the packers never fail to get the rate they demand.'

EVERY WEEK A MILLION

This Number of Passengers Has Been Handled Every Seven Days by Portland Consolidated Railway.

FOR TWO MONTHS THIS RECORD HAS KEPT UP

Manager Fuller Says the Army of Passengers Has Kept Constantly Increasing Since the Opening of the Fair and No Diminution Is Yet in Sight.

Over 1,000,000 passengers a week during the past two months have been handled by the street railways of Portland. The record has never been approached in the history of the city.

The enormous passenger traffic of the summer has grown continually since the opening of the fair and business for the month of September indicates that this month's record will perhaps exceed that of July and August. 'With transfers our company has handled more than 1,000,000 people per week during the past two months,' said General Manager Fuller of the Portland Consolidated Railway company. 'The remarkable feature of the enormous amount of traffic is that it has been steady during the summer, with less variation than would be supposed.'

'During the first month of the fair there were a great many people in the city and streetcar travel was correspondingly heavy. It has grown constantly since that time, and with the exception of a few special days, there has been little fluctuation in the number of people that have been handled during the past two months.'

'I could not say on what lines travel was heaviest, but the number that attended the fair was the largest in that in any other part of the city. There are four lines to the exposition grounds which are able to handle the traffic in that direction. From the amount of business up to this time it looks as if the volume of business during September will be as great as that of the two preceding months. There are a great many people from the rural districts of Oregon and Washington visiting the city at this time and the fair will likely draw heavily from those sections until the close.'

Travel on the lines of the Oregon Water Power & Railway company has been correspondingly heavy. The opening of the Oaks early in the season started the crowds in that direction and traffic to that resort has been enormous up to this time.

MODJESKA COMES TO BUILD BRIDGE OVER COLUMBIA

Son of Famous Actress Will Select Sites for Portland's New Railway Trestles.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Tacoma, Wash., Sept. 25.—Vice-President Levey of the Northern Pacific arrived here yesterday, accompanied by Ralph Modjeska, the civil engineer and bridgebuilder, en route to Portland, where they will look over the route by which the new Seattle & Portland railroad will enter Portland and decide upon the best route for bridging the Columbia at Vancouver and the Whittier at Portland.

Modjeska is a son of Helen Modjeska, the tragedienne. Among the bridges he has built are the Union Pacific railroad bridge at Omaha, the new government bridge at Rock Island, Illinois, and the bridge across the Mississippi at Thebes, Illinois.

Mr. Levey states that the new line will be built within 18 months. It will shorten the distance to Portland and will provide a water-gate haul to this water, instead of over the mountains, as at present.

Mr. Levey states that the Cul de Sac extension has been decided upon the route by which Grangeville will be reached. The contract for the line will be let by November and much of the preliminary work will be done this winter. Actual construction will begin in the spring. The heavy rock work will be begun in November.

Mr. Levey will reach Portland tonight.

OREGON THREATENED WITH HEAVY STORM

Storm warnings were displayed all along the coast this morning by the weather bureau. By night it is expected that a 70-mile gale will be raging off the mouth of the Columbia river. It is coming from the southwest and will be the strongest of the season. District Forecaster Basin says a strong breeze will be felt in the interior. A number of showers and squalls are expected up the coast. The full benefit of the precipitation, however, cannot be expected.