

RETAIL STORES ARE UNDER NO BAN

Consumers' League Declares Working Conditions in Portland Are Good.

BUT THERE IS TO BE A LITTLE LIST

Women Want to Know What Houses Are White and Which Are Unfair—Child Labor Conditions Admirable in the City.

Working conditions in the retail stores of Portland are decidedly good for a city of its size. That is the conclusion of the Portland branch of the Consumers' League after a thorough inspection of the methods employed and goods sold.

Miss Mary Montgomery, president of the Portland league, spoke yesterday before the Unitarian alliance, endeavoring to create a wider interest in the work. Several new members were added to the list and a number of others signified their intention of joining. Miss Montgomery, in addressing the meeting, said that their first purpose now is to encourage the use of labeled goods, showing that they were made under clean and healthful conditions.

Agitation has started about the 6 o'clock closing every night of the week. There is a little division of opinion about it, but at yesterday's meeting and at the last meeting of the league all were in favor of it.

One of the next steps of the league will be to make out a white list of retail houses conforming to the league's standard of a fair house. New York has such a list published. A committee will soon visit the stores, consulting the employees and employers alike to get a consensus of opinion on what is a fair store.

At yesterday's meeting of the Unitarian Alliance a general discussion took place, and there were good talks given by Dr. Mary E. Thompson, Mrs. Grace Watt Ross, Mrs. T. L. Elliot, Mrs. C. C. Chapman and Dr. Luena Johnson. Mrs. Chapman has done a great deal of work in the Consumers' League of Chicago, and spoke of it.

The officers of the league are: Miss Mary Montgomery, president; Mrs. U. E. Marquand, first vice-president; Mrs. Martha Hoyt, second vice-president; Mrs. Henry W. Corbett, third vice-president; Miss M. K. Trevett, secretary; Miss Helen Wilson, treasurer.

Prominent members are Mrs. Grace Watt Ross, Mrs. Frohman, Mrs. Rex S. Hirsch, Miss Henrietta R. Elliot, Estelle Marlar, Mrs. Samuel M. Meura, Mrs. A. H. Breyman, Mrs. I. L. Patterson, Mrs. Augusta Dolph, Mrs. Ellen Edmondson, Mrs. J. C. Pritch, Mrs. R. H. Hoyt, Mrs. Leon Hirsch, Dr. Mary A. Thompson, Miss T. B. Trevett, Mrs. Winifred B. Ayer, Elva Dolan, Mrs. Bertha Morse, Mrs. Elmer Colwell, Mrs. Sarah A. Evans, Mrs. L. L. Larabee, Miss Cora

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TUNNEL AGAIN CAVES IN AND INJURES FIVE MEN

New York, Dec. 21.—The Pennsylvania railroad tunnel caved in again this morning, this time under the North river, burying five men, who were finally rescued in a terribly injured condition.

Gale Off Virginia.
Norfolk, Va., Dec. 21.—The Virginia and Carolina coast is being swept by a terrific gale of 52 miles an hour and it is expected many disasters will be reported.

ALASKAN LINE IS VERY LIKELY

Portland Business Men Are Librally Guaranteeing Freight for New Venture.

PROSPECT IS THAT STEAMERS WILL START

Various Interests Are Working With Local Commercial Bodies and When Present Campaign Is Over Fate of Line Will Be Settled.

The Portland chamber of commerce, through two committees, has taken up the Alaska steamship question with different companies and the project has been placed on a business basis that will lead, it is believed, to the starting of one or more lines early next spring.

The need of steamship transportation facilities between this city and ports of western Alaska has been made apparent by the rapid development of coal, oil, copper and tin deposits in the Copper River and Kayak regions. More recently abuses practiced on the sound have led to a demand from ports as far south as Juneau for steamship connections with Portland.

Portland men who are urging the starting of steamship lines to Alaska are especially favorable to the outside passage, connecting this city with Nome, Seaward peninsula, Copper river points, Kayak and Yakutat.

Recently the subcommittee of the transportation committee of the chamber of commerce took up the matter of the Alaska steamship line and asked President Wheelwright to appoint a special committee to work with the subcommittee. Mr. Wheelwright named the following special committee: C. Lombardi, Bob Blumauer, Edward Eburne. They will ascertain what merchants are willing to do to support a line.

The question has been taken up by the committee with R. P. Schwerin, vice-president and general manager of the Harriman steamship lines, and also with the North Pacific Steamship company. Officials of both companies are making investigations. Mr. Schwerin has stated to the committee that he will take the matter under consideration, and asks the Portland men to secure facts and figures regarding the support that would be given such a line here.

"I presume the committee will call on the merchants and ascertain what they will be willing to guarantee in the way of tonnage," said President Wheelwright. "The special committee and the transportation committee" of the chamber will work together on the matter."

I. N. Fletschner, W. A. Mears, T. B. Wilcox, A. H. Devers, Louis G. Clark, L. A. Lewis and others are hopeful that a line may be started early next year. Mr. Fletschner said: "The prospect looks good. The agitation for an Alaska steamship line for Portland is shaping matters so that there is no longer much room for doubt that a line will be started. It is certain we can guarantee some business. To say how much it would first be necessary to do some canvassing at Alaska points. Every Portland merchant who ships goods to Alaska and has his own option as to the transportation line carrying it would throw the business immediately to a Portland line. The business could be greatly increased by the proper work being done by Portland traveling men in Alaska."

Holiday Goods.
Nothing nicer for presents than beautiful pictures. The largest collection in the city of etchings and other pictures at Gruber's Art Store, 211 1/2 Fourth street, near Salmon.

McMinnville College Closes.
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
McMinnville College, Or., Dec. 21.—The college closed today and January 3 for the holidays. The greater part of the students who are going home left on today's trains.

The conservatory gave the last public function, which was the quarterly concert, at the First Baptist church on Monday evening.

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WATSON TO RESIST EFFORT TO OUST HIM

Believed to Be a Purely Political Scheme to Terminate Long Service at State School.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 21.—As far as can be learned here, the attempt to remove Superintendent James Watson from the State School of Defective Youth is purely a political scheme, started by some of Watson's enemies. In general the feeling here is that Superintendent Watson during his 20 years of service as the head of the school has made a highly efficient officer. During his time of office the institution has grown and never has there been a charge of graft attached to Watson's management.

Superintendent Watson could not be seen at the school today to make a statement of the attempt to remove him from office, but it is understood he has said that he will contest the action of Governor Mead and the board of control in attempting to remove him.

WOULD LET GO

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service commission has been clearly shown. The said took place on Saturday, November 15. Ten days later the council, at a special meeting, ordered an inquiry into the legality of Bruin's appointment as police captain. Dan J. Mackey, who defended the gamblers when their case was called in court, has also played the role of chief inquisitor in the council's investigation.

"Here's Torquemada," said R. W. Montague as Mackey appeared at the commencement of the proceedings, and the aptness of the salutation provoked general amusement.

HIGH WIND WRECKS HOUSES AT LOS ANGELES

(Journal Special Service.)
Los Angeles, Dec. 21.—The wind attained a velocity of 45 miles an hour in the west end of the city this morning and blew down a house on Cahuenga street, and a small church on Western avenue. Other small damage was done. In the center of the city the wind was only six or eight miles an hour.

Walsh Resigns.
(Journal Special Service.)
Bedford, Ind., Dec. 21.—John R. Walsh has resigned the presidency of the Bedford National bank.

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