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The Weather—Probably showers tonight and tomorrow.



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BLACKS WITH SHOPS ORDERED TO CLOSE SUNDAYS

BLUE LAWS ARE INVOKED BY MANNING

Reforming Attorney Orders Blacksmiths to Desert Grimy Forges on Sabbath Day and Join Saloonmen in Observing Day of Rest.

Action Taken on Request of Master Blacksmiths—Law Forbids Arduous Toil and Prosecution Will Follow Any Violation of Statute.

COMPANIES NOW FACE NEW CRISIS

Should Telegraphers' Strike Be Settled at Once There Would Be No Men to Handle Keys—Operators Find Other Employment.

Situation Now Really More Critical Than Ever, Although Local Offices Tell Public Portland Conditions Could Not Be Better.

No more the brawny blacksmith in Multnomah county can sweat and toil at his grimy forge on the Sabbath day. Henceforth he must don his churchly raiment on that day, and if he must needs go near the place of his week-long labors, sit him down in the shade of the spreading chestnut tree or any old shade he can find and pass the time in contemplation calm and sweet. John Manning has spoken it.

Managers of the offices of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies in Portland are face to face with the problem of how to secure telegraph operators even should the telegraphers' strike be settled next week. Practically every operator in the city has secured a position, many of them at such salaries that they will never consider returning to their keys.

STREETCAR SMASHUP AT CORBIN AND GIBBS STREETS, SOUTH PORTLAND



FANATIC MOORS THREATEN CITY

Casa Blanca Surrounded by Mighty Army Which May Annihilate French. Several of the large concerns having offices in Portland have taken members of the strikers into their employ, giving them permanent positions, and from the way these men talk there is no danger of their ever leaving their present work to return to the employ of the telegraph companies.

CREW JUMPS AS CARS COLLIDE

For eight blocks this morning a runaway car on the Third street line ran wild down the Corbett street hill, bringing up with a terrific crash at the Whittaker street crossing, where it collided with another car, smashing the ends of both. By a fortunate chance there were no passengers in either car and the crew of the second jumped before the runaway struck.

ERIE SHARES ON DOWNWARD PATH

Portland will soon have another strong bank added to its already long list of splendid financial institutions. If an apparently reliable report is to be believed, it has been persistently rumored for some weeks that D. C. Pelton, formerly president of the Bankers' & Lumbermen's bank, and associates are preparing to organize a new bank.

NEW BANK PROJECTED FOR CITY

Friends of D. C. Pelton, the Wealthy Lumberman, Reported to Have Been Asked to Head Institution With Strong Backing.

Officials of Suspended Oregon Trust & Savings Bank Have Been Approached With Offers to Purchase Lease of Their Quarters.

ARREST OF OFFICIALS IS CERTAIN

District Attorney Intimates That Warrants Will Issue Next Week Against Officers of the Defunct Oregon Trust & Savings Bank.

Evidence Taken Shows Deposits Were Received After Institution Became Insolvent—Law Designates Such Action a Felony.

CRUCIFY THREE FRANCHISES

Council Committee Backs Mayor and Nails the Portland General Electric, Oregon Traction Company and Market Block Privileges to the Cross.

Three important franchises, the Portland General Electric company's heat franchise, the Oregon Traction company's streetcar franchise and the market block franchise, were yesterday recommended for annulment by the street committee of the city council.

PROSECUTORS FIGHT FOR OLIVER JURORS

San Francisco, Aug. 24.—In the supreme court yesterday Assistant District Attorney Cobb and Special Prosecutor Hiram Johnson argued against granting the application for a writ of prohibition filed by the defendants impugning the validity of the Oliver grand jury. In the afternoon Attorney King, McEnerney and Rogers replied.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY CASE UP NEXT WEEK

Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 24.—The appeal of the Southern Railway company in the famous Wake county case, in which Agent Green was fined \$30,000 for violating the state laws, will be heard at the term of the North Carolina supreme court which convenes next Monday.

GOVERNMENT PLANS TO PREVENT PANIC

New York, Aug. 24.—Luring the crop-boosting period Secretary Cortelyou announces he will place government deposits in the banks of the large cities as he sees fit, to prevent a money stringency. He will make these deposits each week and will begin next week. The intention is to prevent a panic rather than relieve the market.

CHINESE REBELS ARE KILLING AUTHORITIES

Shanghai, Aug. 24.—There is a serious outbreak in Nguan Hwei province. The rebels have taken possession of small village near Nguan Ming and are slaughtering the authorities and burning residences.

BLACK HAND GANG MURDERS TWO MEN

Coalfield, Pa., Aug. 24.—The Black Hand is blamed for a double tragedy here today. Frank Pekolna and Samuel Ambrose were walking together on High street when they were set upon by a gang of men and stabbed to death. Pekolna's head was almost severed from his body.

ARTILLERY COMPANIES WILL DEFEND COAST

Washington, Aug. 24.—The war department has issued orders for the organization September 1 of four new coast artillery companies to be stationed on the Pacific coast. The nucleus of the companies will be taken from the companies now stationed in San Francisco.

The World's News Is Found in The Sunday Journal. THERE IS NO STRIKE on the Journal's leased wires. Operators employed by this paper are paid union wages and telegraphic paralysis which has spread throughout the United States does not affect The Journal.

Alluring Sunday Journal. OREGON BEAUTY PURSUED. Gallant Kentuckian determined to rob state of woman adjudged fairest of all its daughters. Admirer follows Miss Vira Stuart 1,300 miles through south.

GRAFT CHECKS RAILROAD

Rail Laying on Riparia and Lewiston Line Is Seriously Handicapped by Crude Work of Employment Agencies—Crews Sent Out Incompetent.

"Not only is the construction of the new railway between Riparia and Lewiston being held up because of the lack of laborers due to scarcity of men, but the farmers and ranchers of this section of country are greatly affected as well. Fruit is rotting on the trees and grain left uncared for in the fields because there are few harvesters," said a railroad man today.

TAKES DAUGHTER OF BANKER IN PAYMENT FOR SAFE HE SOLD

San Francisco, Aug. 24.—The beautiful daughter of Mayor John F. Overton of Santa Rosa eloped yesterday with C. H. Douglas, agent of a safe company, whom she had known just two weeks.