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# MEDIC'S PORTLAND WILL CONTROL TRADE

## JOHN A. FOX DECLARES CITY IS PACIFIC'S GATEWAY

### MANY BACK BIG SCHEME

Improvement of Rivers and Harbors Vital to Country—Local Workers Complimented for Their Energy—Alive to Its Importance.

From Portland, Maine, to Portland, Oregon, visiting the principal cities on nearly all the important rivers of the country, John A. Fox, special director of the Rivers and Harbors Congress, arrived in this city this morning. He devoted the day to consultation with business men interested in waterway improvements. He will address a meeting at the rooms of the Commercial club this evening, and go to the sound tomorrow, whence he will return east and attend the great waterways convention to be held at Memphis next month.

"I didn't come to Portland this time to raise money," says Fox, "but to get the general support and a large subscription to the promotion fund of the congress. I want to tell Portland people now the work is getting along, and to thank them for the prompt and liberal support they are giving to the campaign for rivers and harbors improvement." Mr. Fox said this morning at the Portland hotel. "I have devoted my time constantly since last December visiting the various parts of the country directly affected by waterways improvements, and have everywhere found hearty support and encouragement for the work the congress is trying to do. In former years, when there was a rivers and harbors appropriation bill to be made up in congress, it was fought down to Washington and fought like cats and dogs for a part of the appropriation. Now, however, it is being passed in a more rational and effective way. There is money enough for all improvements if the necessary support is given. A sufficient amount to push an improvement to completion by the economical method usually recommended by government engineers must be raised. About \$100,000,000 annually for carrying on the waterway improvements of this country in proper manner is a reasonable sum. It is convinced that the people are behind the movement the desired results will follow."

### Waterway Improvements.

It is estimated that \$500,000,000 would complete the waterway improvements now called for by the country. If the money were appropriated promptly to meet the needs of the country, the public would at the expiration of 10 years be enjoying the benefits of water transportation that under present dilatory policies now seems to be too remote to interest present generations. The Rivers and Harbors Congress, a civilian organization, stands for prompt and adequate appropriations from congress to push to completion the work asked for by the people and recommended by the engineers whose duty it is to invest the government's money for the development of water transportation.

"It appears to me inevitable that Portland is to become the gateway to the Pacific as New York is to the Atlantic," said Mr. Fox. "It lies between Portland and Seattle as it lies between New York and Baltimore, and transportation facilities decided it is New York's gateway."

A. H. Devers and Rufus P. Johnson are the Pacific coast members of the board of directors of the Rivers and Harbors congress, of which board there are 24 members distributed over the country as follows: Two members for the Pacific coast, three for the great lakes, three for the Gulf, four for the Mississippi valley, five for the Atlantic states, two for the Missouri valley, three for the Ohio valley, two for the Tennessee and Cumberland rivers.

"We feel that Portland is more alive to the work of the congress than any other city in the country," the visitor said. "For its response has been so amazingly prompt, it was the first to send a liberal cash contribution, and also a representative clear across the continent to attend the Washington session."

"The meeting to be held at Washington."

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JOHN A. FOX, WHO HAS FAITH IN PORTLAND'S ABILITY TO OBTAIN THE "MASTERY OF THE PACIFIC."

## PLANT NEW BUSHES NOW FOR NEXT ROSE HARVEST

Carnival Committee Plans to Use Millions of Portland's Blossoms During June Fiesta—Every Resident Is Asked to Advertise City by Raising More Roses.

Portland is going to be placed on trial next June.

From the north of us, where the gardens are chilled by snow and frost, from the south where they are scorched by the too-hot sun, from the east where they know not the meaning of gardens, people are coming to see the Rose City, to find out for themselves if she has any right to advertise her Rose Carnival from New York to San Francisco, in St. Paul and in New Orleans.

And there is just one way to convince them—another time with roses.

Let the first sight that greets their eyes as they swing down the Willamette valley be great masses of Oregon's roses—the finest roses that the world has seen.

When they step off their trains at the depot let them be deluged with the fragrant blossoms; when they go to their hotels their rooms must be filled with pink and white and yellow and red beauties, and—most important of all—the gardens of Portland, already the loveliest in this country, must be made still more wonderful.

Want More Roses.

You, Mr. Eastlander, and you, Mr. Irvington and Mr. Portland Heights, will perhaps say that you have roses—hedges and gardens full of them. That is just what the Rose Carnival wants, only it wants more.

Perhaps one of you has not yet learned what he can do with a few rose bushes in this climate—you may have roses in Michigan, or New York, or Ohio and found them almost more trouble than they were worth. And the roses of England, in Colchester and thereabouts, or in Provence in sunny France they raise rose hedges and rows of them, lovely old gardens with quiet walks and borders of flowers which represent the loving work of centuries.

But these gardens, entrancing as they are, are as nothing compared to the beauty spot, every little plot of lawn,

every little bit of space in front of or behind a Portland house can be transformed into.

It takes a little work and a little care, but next June when the thousands of visitors come to Portland to be shown, there will be reward enough for everyone and to spare.

The carnival association has asked The Journal to let the people of Portland know that now is the time to plant bushes for next year's beauty crop. The plants that are placed in your garden this fall and give a little care—as much as the half-hour after you come home from the office or the store or the factory and before you sit down for supper would represent—will bloom next year, will furnish countless roses for the carnival to say nothing of those for your own pleasure and use, and the following year will be in even better condition.

It doesn't matter so much what kind of roses they are—the two or three-year-old plants are the best for quick returns—the cheaper roses are as lovely as the latest gold medal winning specimen from England, they are as fragrant, as perfect in the curve of their petals and the roundness of their buds.

Time to Plant Soon.

The Caroline Testout, with its lovely blooms of a coral pink; the magnificent white Frau Karl Druschki, known to every Portland rosegrower; the Duchess of Portland, with its profusion of fragrant blossoms—any one of a hundred varieties can be obtained cheaply and will give a wealth of flowers all the summer long.

Frederick V. Holman, who has perhaps the finest private rose gardens in Oregon, and who has tried all of the specimens that are grown, has given the following hints on how to raise them: "The roses should be planted in a trench, the soil should be spaded frequently so that the rains will be able to sink in and soften the earth. A coating of the rich black soil found on the top of new meadows to a depth of two or three inches should be taken and mixed with the soil of the garden as a fertilizer.

If animal fertilizer is used it should be well-rotted cow manure, but never new manure. Then in November the plants, strong two- or three-year-old forms, should be planted in the trench, some other good graft, should be carefully planted and a bed of new manure placed over them. This covering will protect the roses from the cold and the rains will wash the rich fertilizer down among the roots.

The next summer the roses, every kind, too, damask, the hybrids of various species will bloom, not as abundantly as they should, but they will be freely enough to show any visitor to Portland that the Rose City has made abundantly good in her carnival.

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## COVINGTON DOES AS LADY FAIR

Man Accused of Slaying His Child Bride Is Believed to Be Hiding Through Ability to Wear Skirts and Shirtwaists.

Disguise So Clever in Past That Man Proposed to Wed False Girl—Friends Angry When Seattleite's Hoax Was Discovered.

(Pacific Coast Press Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 25.—Efforts to capture Frank Covington and Charles Burleson, suspected of murdering Mrs. Agnes Covington are occupying most of the time and thought of the entire police force. The police net for the capture of the two men has been spread afar, covering all cities of the United States and Canada which it is possible for the two men to reach. Seattle has been searched thoroughly. The investigations have been carried through the restricted district, where the two men might be hiding, and through every other quarter of the city from whence any alleged clue to the two men has been reported. Nothing has come of these eures so far.

A good photograph of Burleson was sent to the police from Bellingham yesterday by Mrs. A. A. Mitchell, with whom Covington and Burleson boarded in Portland two years ago. Circulars containing this likeness will be sent broadcast by the police.

Made Up as Woman.

That Covington is an adept at "making up" as a woman is a valuable piece of information imparted by Mrs. Robinson, grandmother of the murdered girl. Over a year ago he and his bosom friend and alleged accomplice, Charles Burleson, were living in Portland, rooming at Mrs. Mitchell's home. The three were good friends, and one night Mrs. Mitchell saw the Covington man impersonate a woman and they would have lots of fun. Covington took the suggestion of Burleson, and the two men were taken up by Mrs. Mitchell. Mitchell loaned some of her clothes to Covington and assisted him in disguising himself as a woman. Burleson, who was a woman, was taken up by Mrs. Mitchell and she would have lots of fun. Covington took the suggestion of Burleson, and the two men were taken up by Mrs. Mitchell.

Proposed Marriage.

One man became infatuated with him and proposed marriage but Mrs. Blank declined and realizing the seriousness of his act he made a clean breast of the joke and dropped the impersonation. When it became known that Burleson was a woman, several men became very angry and threatened to thrash him. The ladies whom Mrs. Blank was impersonating were much more than indignant and threatened to make trouble.

Bury Stolen Goods.

In true, approved, piratical fashion, Fox and a confederate for whom the detectives are now searching, rowed to the coal bunkers in a boat which they have moored at the foot of Jefferson street. After securing the plunder they returned to the engine house, and proceeded to cache the booty at convenient points. Some of the articles were buried under the dock at Water and Market streets, others were stowed away at the foot of Jefferson and a portion of the stuff was concealed in the room, which has been recovered by the detectives.

FUGITIVES AT OAKLAND.

California Police Think They Had Covington and Burleson.

(Pacific Coast Press Leased Wire.)

Oakland, Cal., Sept. 25.—Failure of the police to receive promptly a detailed description of the two men suspected of the murder of Agnes Covington, whose body was found in a trunk near Seattle Sunday is believed to have resulted in the escape from Oakland of the accused slayers of the girl.

TEKOA PEOPLE WILL NOT ALLOW PASTORS TO WORK ON SUNDAY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Spokane, Sept. 25.—The little town of Tekoa, Washington, has had the unique experience of such a tightly closed town that meals and rooms were unobtainable and the church doors were locked for the day. The reform element started a reform and their opponents, when they had won the victory, insisted that everything close, including the churches and restaurants. Those who were unable to get an invitation to dine from a friend and had no home, went hungry. The ministers, some of them, left town and preached elsewhere, while others remained at home resting. It is expected that this strictness will be broken by next Sunday.

## LA CENTER BURNS WITH MUCH LOSS

Flames Consume Principal Part of Business District of Progressive Little Washington Town.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Ridgefield, Wash., Sept. 25.—Fire is rapidly devouring the town of La Center, Washington, all efforts to check the flames which are destroying the place having proved unavailing. Damage amounting to \$20,000 has already been done, and unless the blaze is soon under control the loss will be more than twice that amount.

At noon the flames had consumed the general merchandise store conducted by Kane Brothers, the postoffice, the office saloon, Headley's blacksmith shop, two shoe shops, the Spencer saloon, and the bridge across Lewin river. It is reported that the insurance was carried on any of the structures destroyed and that the loss may be much heavier than is shown by the first estimate.

The origin of the fire is a mystery. It is reported here that it started in one of the saloons destroyed, but reports are conflicting. There are rumors of incendiarism.

When the fire was first discovered an alarm was turned in and the whole town turned out to fight the flames. Bucket brigades were formed and brave efforts made to check the fire. The combined forces of the townsmen and the farmers who gathered from the surrounding country proved unavailing, and the blaze rapidly gained headway.

Unless there is a turn in favor of the firefighters within the next few hours every business house and residence in La Center will be a wreck.

Fire Under Control.

Vancouver, Wash., Sept. 25.—At 1:30 p. m. the La Center fire is reported to be under control, the total loss amounting to approximately \$30,000. Added to the list of the structures destroyed are two docks and Mrs. Titus' residence. The fire started at 4 a. m. and is supposed to have been the result of carelessness on the part of burglars who attempted to force an entrance into the Kane Brothers store.

## CHARGED WITH HAVING INSTIGATED A MURDER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Eugene, Or., Sept. 25.—Guy Cruzan was arrested here today and charged with murder in the first degree in being an accessory to the killing of Bert Nunn at Marcola last Saturday.

Young Cruzan started the trouble with Nunn which led Charles Crowley, who was killed by Nunn, to attack the latter, and flee from Marcola. Cruzan was arrested by Crowley two or three days later.

Cruzan was with Crowley at the time of the shooting and held a revolver in his hand. After arrest he was taken to the county jail, where he had been held pending the setting of the date for his examination. He is now in the county jail without bonds.

Cruzan is about 20 years old and is the son of Mrs. Alice Cruzan who was fined in the local justice court on the day following the shooting, for violation of the local option law.

## BREAK UP GANG OF DOCK THIEVES

Detectives Arrest Leader of Band Which Has Been Stealing Along River.

(Pacific Coast Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Sept. 25.—Before a smaller crowd than usual ex-Supervisor Coffey this morning related to the jury which is trying T. L. Ford how he was bribed to vote for the overhead trolley franchise. Coffey declared that up to the time the application for a franchise was filed he had never heard of the matter. Prosecutor Hener attempted to show that Coffey had admitted the weekly caucuses and had there learned of the application for a franchise but Coffey's memory proved to be defective on the subject.

"When did you first hear of any money coming to you?"

"I don't remember," replied Coffey. "Did you ever receive any money?"

"Yes, sir, about the first of July," replied the witness. "Jim Gallagher slipped me an envelope containing \$2,000."

He again received an envelope containing \$2,000 several months later. After half an hour's questioning Coffey was turned over to Attorney Rogers for cross-examination.

Witnessed Franchise.

Rogers immediately started in upon an exhaustive examination in regard to dates, but suddenly switched off and inquired if he was in favor of the franchise.

"I was," replied Coffey.

"What induced you to vote for the franchise?" inquired Rogers.

"Because I believed it necessary," replied Coffey.

"I suppose you have been taken into this community business also?" inquired Rogers.

"Yes."

"That's all," replied Rogers, and Coffey was excused and Daniel Coleman called.

Coleman was aware that a franchise having been sought long before Coffey, having first heard of it early in April, 1906. Gallagher had spoken to him upon the subject and Coleman had reported himself to be in favor of it, especially after learning that there would be \$4,000 or \$5,000 in it.

Mayor Lane Declares to East Side Residents Present Process of Street Improvement Is Costing Them Needless Thousands.

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City Rock Crusher Only Hope of Breaking Apparent Scheme to Hold Up Taxpayers—Scarcity of Material Poor Excuse.

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Supervisors Tell of Their Bribery by United Railroads.

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## SYMPHONY MUSIC FOR LOCAL PROFESSIONALS

A symphony orchestra of at least 50 members is proposed for Portland. Leading citizens and the best professional musicians of the city are being interested in the matter and it is understood that agitation has progressed so far that the initial concert will be given in the near future.

The movement on foot is to bring about something never attained here before in that particular direction and those having the preliminaries in hand have already encountered sufficient encouragement to be led to believe that their efforts will be crowned with success. As yet the plans are only what may be termed tentative but they will be carried out with but few changes, since the subject has been looked into deeply before these to whom the promoters look for substantial assistance were approached.

Portland is considered in every way ripe for a musical organization, such as the larger cities of the east and middle states support and for its size it has more suitable material than any of

them, so musicians of wide experience and acquaintance are available. A city is judged as much by its musical atmosphere as its commercial importance, said one who is hoping for the realization of a symphony orchestra, and Portland needs something more substantial than what we have in that line at present. The summer months are enriched with band music, which is very well; but something should also be done to keep up interest during the winter months. Of course, a symphony orchestra means something more than a band, of brass and reeds; it means music of the highest order, music that will not only please but educate as well.

The intention is to arrange for a series of 15 matinee concerts. In this connection it is argued that only about six of the largest cities in the United States support evening symphony concerts, the others having them in the afternoon as planned here when it is possible to secure the necessary musical forces, many of the performers being engaged in the theatre orchestras and other evening organizations.

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## "AMERICAN" HELP FOR REVOLUTIONISTS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Havana, Sept. 25.—It became known today that Governor Magoon and the Cuban-American administration in Cuba are seriously worried over an agitation that has come to its attention in Pinar del Rio province. There is widespread talk among the people of the province that an uprising against the government will take place on September 28 or early in October.

that trouble is impending. There is constant talk, especially among the natives of the lower class, of an open outbreak. It is known that the worst men in the province are implicated in the plotting. So far, however, the secret agents of the government have been unable to find out who are the real backers of the movement.

It is certain that money is being furnished to forward the plot. Some say that Americans have put up the funds, and that there is a connection between the rebels and wealthy men in New York. It is also stated that the government or administration have been struck in various places by the leaders in the past.