

FIESTA FUND IS GROWING

Voluntary Donations Continue to Swell Money for June Carnival—Eastern Magazines Will Carry Advertisements.

Money for the Rose festival next summer is coming in rapidly and during the past few weeks several hundred dollars have been forwarded to the officers of the association as "free-will" offerings so that the fund is rapidly assuming good proportions.

While other people have been busy with Christmas shopping, General Passenger Agent McMurray of the Harriman lines in Oregon has been at work looking up advertisement propositions with eastern magazines and newspapers and arranging for rates for the festival.

At the bottom of every advertisement carried by any of the Harriman lines throughout the country will be the following notice, printed in red ink where possible:

Make your tickets to the west read via Portland Rose festival, June 2-7. It has been decided to allow long time limits on excursion tickets and in all probability very cheap rates will be made by lines within the state to places of interest such as Seaside, Astoria, The Dalles, and other points in Oregon so that the visitors to the festival will have an opportunity to see the entire state at nominal expense.

Letters from most of the cities in the state are coming in telling of plans for the floats they are expecting to send to participate in the all-Oregon parade. As there will be in the neighborhood of 100,000 people in the city and as many of them will come with the idea of remaining or investing in the state the advertising possibilities of the parade to the various sections of Oregon are unlimited.

The battleship fleet which left Hampton Roads last week will reach San Francisco in May and it is expected that President Roosevelt will be there to review it. If he goes to San Francisco and then accepts the invitation to dedicate the Alaska-Yukon fair buildings it is believed he will be present at the festival in Portland.

A committee from the city council composed of Councilmen Anand, Baker and Sellers is at present investigating the advisability of erecting a welcome arch at the union station.

ALWAYS WAS SICK.

When a man says he always was sick—troubled with a cough that lasted all winter—that would you think he should say he never was sick until using Ballard's Horchound Syrup. Such a man exists.

Mr. J. C. Clark, Denver, Colorado, writes: "For years I was troubled with a severe cough that would last all winter. This cough left me in a miserable condition. I tried Ballard's Horchound Syrup and have not had a sick day since. That's what it did for me." Sold by all druggists.

COFFEE

Beginning with good, Schilling's Best goes on to the finest; all moneyback.

Your grocer returns your money if you don't like it; we pay him.

MEDICOS ADVANCE NEW RODENT CURE

State Board See Time When Rat Proof Buildings Are Necessary.

Rat-proof buildings and a thorough disinfecting of railroad stations, cars and steamboats was advocated by the state board of health which held its annual meeting at Salem yesterday.

Bubonic plague and typhoid fever were discussed at length at the meeting, and it was decided that the board would use all its influence to see that the state is thoroughly protected from the former by proper quarantine, and the destruction of rats and against the latter by proper inspection of the dairies and milk sold the public.

Dr. Alfred Kinney of Astoria was elected president of the board and will succeed Dr. E. P. Pickel of Medford. Dr. Andrew C. Smith of Portland was



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selected vice-president. The president and vice-president are the only two officers chosen at this meeting. Dr. Robert C. Yenny of Portland will hold over as secretary of the board.

"Bubonic plague was discussed at length," said Dr. Yenny, who returned from Salem last evening, "and we decided to draft a set of rules setting forth what the board means by cleanly and sanitary arrangements in caring for railroad depots, coaches and ships and steamboats. The danger is in the fact that once started, the plague is almost impossible to eradicate. It is not confined to the coast towns alone, but spreads up the rivers wherever there is traffic and infects an entire community that way."

Dr. Yenny said the time is coming when the state and city laws will compel the building of rat-proof structures and the repair and remodeling of present buildings, fitting them with wire gratings and screens so that all buildings will be rat-proof.

"The danger lies with the rats," said Dr. Yenny, "and we will not be safe from infection until they are driven away and starved out."

Typhoid fever and the danger of infection from uncleanly dairies were also also brought before the board, and the work being done at present in going carefully over the dairies and seeing that the milk sold is handled in a sanitary manner will be kept up.

Circulars will be printed bearing the rules governing burials, deaths, births and contagious diseases and will be posted in every postoffice in the state. The annual report of the secretary will not be completed until after the first of the year and will be printed in the February bulletin.

The members of the board who were present at the meeting were Dr. E. P. Pickel, Medford; Dr. E. A. Pierce, Portland; Dr. Alfred Kinney, Astoria; Dr. W. B. Morse, Salem; and Dr. Robert C.

SPEEDY OPENING OF BANK EXPECTED

Plans for Resuming Business at the Merchants National Well Under Way.

Plans for reopening the Merchants National bank are under consideration by the comptroller of the currency, Bank Examiner Wilson and J. Frank Watson, president of the suspended bank. Mr. Watson is expected to arrive home the first of next week after a conference with the comptroller on the plan proposed by Watson.

It is said the comptroller will await a similar conference between Watson and Wilson on the former's arrival here, and after these two men have gone over the ground thoroughly Mr. Wilson will make a final report and recommendations to the comptroller.

The government makes certain requirements in the matter of increased capital and resources, and cash on hand. If these requirements are substantially met the bank may be reopened.

At present Bank Examiner Wilson is in charge, as receiver for the government. He is carrying on the work of liquidating claims and collecting accounts. It is said collections are good, and the bank's affairs are in a shape favorable to the plan for resumption of business.

It is said E. C. Mears, receiver of the Title Guaranty & Trust company, is making articles of incorporation and let the large banking rooms and abstracting plant now occupied in the Commercial building. The object is to reduce expenses.

Collections are being pushed, and the receiver is preparing to take over the various subsidiary companies through which the depositors' funds were invested. The receiver's intention is to sell the lease of the abstracting plant and safety deposit department.

Art Goods.

The Western Importing company have one of the prettiest Christmas stores in town. Arrayed on all sides are beautiful articles as porcelain ware, Satsuma, bronze, ivory, cloisonne and silk goods, hand-carved furniture, matting and rugs. In fact, everything that would appeal to Christmas shoppers looking for exquisite gifts at nominal prices. The company, since they have moved in their new quarters, 322 Morrison street Marquam building, have adopted a new system of selling goods which is becoming very popular.

Tomorrow and Friday positively the last days for discount on east side gas bills. Portland Gas company.

FAVORED SON GETS BIG SHARE OF ESTATE

Under the will of Mrs. Elizabeth Eckerson, filed for probate yesterday, one of her sons, Rufus Ingalls Eckerson, received a direct bequest of \$30,000, which is over half of the estate. The estimated value of all the property, according to this son, who is also named as executor of the will, is \$58,350.

Another son, Theodore Henry Eckerson, of Sacramento, is to receive one-fourth of the remainder of the estate. Another son, the balance goes to Adelaide E. Reynolds, a daughter, who is the wife of Colonel Alfred Reynolds of the United States army, and an equal portion to another daughter, who is also the wife of an army officer, Colonel C. M. O'Connor.

The remaining quarter is divided equally between Regina Eckerson and Theodore J. Eckerson of Junction City, Kansas, children of a deceased son, Edwin Philip Eckerson.

The will states that the favor shown to Rufus Ingalls Eckerson is because he has been denied opportunities that have been open to the other children.

Yenny, Portland. The absentees were Drs. Andrew C. Smith and C. J. Smith of Portland, Dr. C. J. Smith is at present in Europe.

LOOK FOR TRAIN ROBBERS HERE

Men Who Burglarized N. P. Offices Believed Hiding in Portland.

Northern Pacific railroad detectives and the local police believe that this city has been selected as a hiding place by the men who are responsible for one of the boldest robberies that has occurred along the line of the railroad for many months.

Some time Monday night the railroad depot buildings at Salem and Elma, Washington, were broken into by burglars. All the cash belonging to the railroad company that had been left in the offices over night was secured by the robbers, and all of the express matter at each place was broken open and filled with valuables.

The railroad officials are extremely reticent concerning the extent of the loss sustained. It is known that the cash secured amounted to a considerable sum and that much of the express matter stolen was of more than ordinary value. Many of the express packages contained articles intended as Christmas gifts and it will be several days before the railroad officials will be able to locate the sender and ascertain the exact nature and value of the loot which fell into the hands of the burglars.

The local officials of the Northern Pacific were notified of the robbery by W. C. Albee, one of the head officials of the road stationed at Tacoma. The assistance of the Portland police department was sought and now the local sleuths, as well as the detectives employed by the railroad, are scouring the slums of the city in search of the robbers or their loot.

New Incorporations.

Salem, Dec. 15. Articles of incorporation have been filed in the office of the secretary of state as follows:

Tillamook Land & Investment company, principal office, Tillamook, Oregon; capital stock, \$200,000; incorporators, R. O. Spuffer, Lathin Souther and William Curtis.

Safe Furniture & Hardware company, principal office, Astoria, Oregon; capital stock, \$10,000; incorporators, H. H. Zapf, John H. Haxberg, Morton Nelson and James J. Johnson.

Portland Wagoning Oil company, principal office, Portland, Oregon; capital stock, \$10,000; incorporators, Joseph M. Healy, Clark Tabor and J. H. Hilliard.

Flanagan & Bennett bank of Myrtle Point, principal office, Myrtle Point, Oregon; capital stock, \$25,000; incorporators, J. W. Bennett, James H. Flanagan and L. M. Spiller.

Tomorrow and Friday positively the last days for discount on east side gas bills. Portland Gas company.

Hills and Horses

are a bad combination and the resultant strained shoulders and legs must be given careful attention if your faithful beast is to be spared to you. Prompt treatment is necessary and the best suited for the purpose is old reliable

Mexican Mustang Liniment.

Made of oils, famous for their penetrating and healing qualities it quickly relieves soreness, soothes the injured parts and removes all stiffness from the joints and limbs.

Send for a FREE copy of our valuable booklet "Points from a Horse Doctor's Diary" Lyon Manufacturing Co., 44 South Fifth St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

DRESS UP FOR XMAS

A great sacrifice sale of stylish Ladies' Ready-to-Wear apparel. Cost is no object. Every suit must go.

Ladies' Suits

Regular Values \$25, \$30, \$35; Special for \$18.95

In Broadcloths, all colors. These suits are in the latest and most approved styles, well lined, well made, showing originality, taste and excellent workmanship. At any other store in this city you will have to pay just twice the price we ask. We must close out these goods, and will charge up a loss rather than have them moved slowly in the regular course of trade. At the price asked they will sell quickly, so you had better call at once while the lines are complete.

FURS ONE-FOURTH OFF

UMBRELLAS At Special Prices

It sometimes rains in Oregon, and you had better be prepared for such an emergency.

ALL WAIST PRICES SLASHED

Rain Coats 1-3 off, from \$15.00 to \$35.00



S.P.2513

ITS THE CLOTHES THAT MAKE THE MAN

Great Cut in Men's Goods

Sweeping Reduction on Every Suit in the House. Buy Your Clothes at Low Prices on Easy Terms

Our stock of Men's Clothes is twice as large as it ought to be, and the season is rapidly advancing. We must close them out regardless of what they cost us. Come in and get a suit, an overcoat or pair of trousers at about half what the other stores are asking. When we cut prices, we cut deep, and this is the time that we cut to the quick. This great sale includes all of our hand-tailored suits in fancy worsted, chevots, serges, etc., single or double-breasted coats; also topcoats, overcoats, cravenettes, youths' suits and children's two-piece suits. A small amount down and an easy payment each week is all we ask. This makes it easy to dress well.

"YOUR CREDIT IS GOOD AT GEVURTZ"

YOU MAKE THE TERMS: WE DO THE REST.

STIFF AND SOFT HATS. Latest Styles and Shapes SUITCASES. All kinds and prices. Best grade shoes

GEVURTZ & SONS

FURNITURE AND DEPARTMENT STORES FIRST ST.—YAMHILL ST.—THRU TO SECOND ST.

Beautiful Christmas Presents

The public is cordially invited to see our magnificent line of oriental goods, the finest of this line ever displayed in a store of this kind in this city. Owing to the delay in getting them out of the Customs-House, we offer these goods at great bargain prices. The line consists of Bronze and Brass Jardinières, Satsuma, Ivory Carvings, Silver Cloisonne, Silk-Embroidered Screens, Kimonos, Tea Gowns, Smoking Jackets, Mandarin Coats, Carved Furniture, finest assortment of Shoffu and Kutani and Royal Imari Ware, Tea and Chocolate Sets, etc. These goods will be sold at auction at 131 Fifth Street and at private sale between auction hours. Auction sales commence daily at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m., until January 1. These goods must be sold, regardless of cost, to realize ready cash. Private sale also at our other store, 187 Morrison Street.

ANDREW KAN & CO.

131 FIFTH STREET Two Stores 187 MORRISON STREET

COAL

Special Price on our good coal for a short time only \$7.00 per Ton C.O.D. BUY NOW WHILE THE PRICE IS DOWN

F. B. Jones & Co. EAST 7 B 1771

FOR WOMEN ONLY

Dr. Sanderson's Compound Savin and Cotton Root Pills. The best and only remedy for DELAYED PERIODS. Cures the most obstinate cases in 2 to 10 days. Price 10¢ per box, or three boxes 10¢. Sold by druggists everywhere. Address: Dr. F. B. PIERCE, 121 First St., Portland, Or.

CUTS THAT ARE WORTH ALL YOU PAY FOR THEM

HICKS CHAT FEN ENGRAVING CO.

Store Open Evenings Until Xmas

The Holiday Shoppers Are Making

Store Open Evenings Until Xmas

J. M. ACHELSON'S

THEIR HEADQUARTERS

The way is open to you to secure for Christmas gift some of the choicest ready-to-wear apparel in Portland at a saving, and you don't need full cash.

= YOUR CREDIT IS GOOD =

Coats	Furs
A black, blue and brown semi-fitted 50-inch Kersey Coat, nicely trimmed, regular \$17.50 value, Thursday only... \$7.75	We have selected 100 Fur Ties from our large stock of Furs; regular \$10.00 and \$15.00 garments, Thursday only... \$5.00
Every Coat Reduced	Every Fur Reduced

Suit Special FOR THURSDAY

Women's handsome Tailored Suits, wool checks and serges, in a variety of most popular winter shades, satin and silk-lined; regular \$30.00 values... **\$14.50**

Every Suit Reduced

AFTER DINNER EXTRA SPECIAL

Skirt Special FOR THURSDAY

Walking and Dress Skirts, colors black, blue, gray and stripes in Panama, fancy mixtures; regular \$10.00 values... **\$3.50**

Every Skirt Reduced

INITIAL 'Kerchiefs

20c values, six in a box—60¢ per box. **12 1/2¢ EACH**

PLAIN BACK Combs

50c and 65c values, **30c**

Collars

Turn-Overs and Stocks, values up to \$1.50, Thursday, after 6 p. m. only, at **25c**

DENT BEST DRIVING Gloves

Reg. \$2.25 values, **\$1.25**

Waists

Wool Waists, black and white, reg. \$2.25 values, **98c**

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL J. M. ACHELSON CO. FIFTH AND ALDER STS.