

WORLD'S BEST ON EXHIBIT

Fruit-Growers at Annual Meeting of State Society See Gala Array of Fine Fruit—State's Great Industry Grows Rapidly.

Growers from every fruit section of the state assembled this morning at the annual meeting of the Oregon State Horticultural society at the Woodmen of the World hall on Eleventh street, near Alder. The convention opened by President H. C. Atwell this morning promising to show good attendance, as many new growers, anxious for education along fruit-growing lines, have recently bought fruit land and settled in Oregon.

Commissioner James H. Reid is in charge of the exhibit. It is one of the finest ever gathered together in Portland. The apples are shown to best advantage. Rogue River, Hood River and the Willamette valley, as well as other districts, are impartially represented and the best in the exhibit will soon be determined by the judges.

The sessions of the Horticultural society began this morning with the

Fine Apples Placed on Display This Morning at the Annual Meeting of the Oregon Horticultural Society.

that kind of work; and while there is no doubt that there will be seasons of large profit and production and small price, yet I believe that the market for Oregon fruit is rapidly expanding. The east is continually being brought nearer to us by the Tehuantepec and Tobolobampo railroads and the Canadian Pacific. Canada, north-west, most of which will never be suitable for fruit culture, is very rapidly increasing in population. There should be little difficulty in securing from the dominion government the imposition of only a nominal tariff on our dried fruit. The evening activities of the orient afford us promise of an extensive and ever widening market in which the Pacific coast will have few competitors.

A great number of other matters of immediate interest to fruit growers were taken up including the insurance of evaporators, the state education of fruit inspectors, the progress of orchard re-creation in the state, erroneous regulations by the various railroads, sale of poisons and the manufacture of grape juice which latter he said could be done in Portland at a profit, because many Willamette valley growers are shipped to Westfield, New York, to be made into grape juice, which is shipped to Portland and Puget sound by the railroad.

PHYSICIAN TRYING

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Littleton withdrew from the battle of words victorious and Butler was allowed to testify. He declared that the patient was mentally incompetent.

Dr. Littlebury E. Foster of Norfolk, Connecticut, with the Virginia eastern state hospital for the insane was called to identify the record of the admission of William S. Thaw, cousin of the defendant, to the mental condition of John Ross. His objection to this course was sustained by the court. However, Littleton succeeded, in getting before the jury the fact that the hospital book contained the record.

Dr. Deemer was then recalled to the stand to resume his testimony concerning the mental condition of John Ross. He said "Ross" insanely was of a manic nature. Dr. Charles Koehler of Winona, Minnesota, formerly a tutor at Western university, where Thaw was a student in 1886, testified that he kept a diary during his college days and that Thaw was a nervous and eccentric student. He said Thaw was exceptionally moody. Jerome questioned the witness closely, asking if Thaw ever had a strange look in his eye.

Koehler replied in the affirmative, stating that the look then was more vacant and fixed than it is now. He said he had used Thaw's career to illustrate the kind of actions he wanted to see in a man. After the witness had said he was a member of the Methodist church Jerome asked: "Are you believing this youth to be of unsound mind, you held him to public ridicule by name?"

Koehler testified to show that as a son of a wealthy man he had failed to make use of his advantages," said Koehler. Court then adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

OTOGENARIAN DIES AT HILLSDALE HOME

The funeral of John A. Slavin who died yesterday will be held tomorrow at noon at his residence in Hillsdale. John Slavin was a pioneer of Oregon, and he and his wife lived for more than 50 years in the same home in Hillsdale, west of Portland which he took up in 1851.

Mr. Slavin was born May 9, 1856, in Boone county, Missouri. He came to Portland in 1880 and took up his land claim the following spring. His wife, Emma, nee Ross, and repeatedly gave Ohio, and came to Oregon, with her stepfather, Israel Mitchell, an old time surveyor, in 1847.

In 1904 the couple celebrated their golden wedding when many friends and relatives gathered to testify to the esteem in which they were held. At that time the bride, Mrs. Slavin's sister, Mrs. A. C. Brown of Forest Grove, related interesting reminiscences of the trip across the plains and the early pioneer days in Oregon, and Hon. John F. Copies toasted the bride and groom, testifying to the beneficent influences which had flowed from their kindly lives and their sturdy spirit.

Mr. Slavin served as county commissioner during Judge Rice's administration. He was instrumental in obtaining the Slavin road, and repeatedly gave land for educational and other purposes. During the past few years Mr. Slavin's health has been gradually failing. His last illness, however, was of short duration. He was 81 years and 8 months old. Three of the six children survive the couple. They are Mrs. N. L. Gilham of Shattuck Station, Mrs. R. C. Prince of Portland and John R. Slavin. The interment will be at Riverview cemetery.

PATRIOTIC CLUB WILL GIVE BANQUET

The dinner at the Hotel Portland Saturday evening by the American Patriotic club to commemorate the birth and life of the great statesman, Daniel Webster, promises to be a most interesting affair. Judge George H. Williams will be the principal speaker, he having known Mr. Webster and having lived in the days when Webster, Chief Justice Marshall, Calhoun, Choate, Story and other master minds waged their legal and political battles. His address will be exceedingly interesting. There will be several other speakers.

NEWBERG ELECTS HARRELOT MAYOR

Newberg, Or., Jan. 14.—The city election yesterday was the quietest for many years, there being no contest for any of the offices except for councilman in the First ward, where a warm fight was kept up until the polls closed. The officers-elect are: R. W. Harrold, mayor; J. C. Colcord, treasurer; W. W. Nelson, recorder; councilmen, First ward, J. B. Parker and William Stratton; Second ward, W. O. Robertson; Third ward, John Larkin. There was one holdover each in the Second and Third wards.

FOOD MEN SEEK LAW

Retail Grocers Prepare Bill Permitting Garnishment of Wages of Public Officials and Employes in State of Oregon.

The state association of retail groccerymen which is to meet in Portland next week is after the scap and the purses of those public officials and employes who do not pay their grocery bills. The groccerymen of the state desire to have the present statute exempting public officials from garnishment amended so that those who are delinquent can be forced to pay up. In order to bring about that happy state a bill is now being drafted by a prominent member of the Portland association providing for the desired relief and intended for submission to the people through the initiative in June.

For the past three sessions of the legislature efforts have been made by various business men to secure the enactment of a law making it possible to garnish the wages of a public official or a public employe to secure the payment of a debt. Each session the bill so introduced has fallen by the wayside after strenuous fights to secure its favorable consideration.

It has been, and is, represented by the business men who seek the law that in many instances men holding office or appointment have hidden behind their status and have refused to pay their bills when payment was demanded. On the other hand it has been contended that there is a remedy at law for the collection of debt and that to permit the treasurers of the state and county administrations to be bound up with proceedings in garnishment would be to lower the dignity and destroy the system of the offices. This view has prevailed up to this time with the legislature.

It is now planned to ask the people directly for such a law as will give the merchants power to take their bills out of the pay checks of public officials and employes. The bill will be drawn and presented to the convention for its endorsement and will then be put on the ballot. It is hoped with the efforts of the members of the state association back of the measure that it can be adopted when it comes up for the vote of the people in June.

ABSINTHE MUST BE FLOWING IN FRANCE

Paris Pipe-Dreamer Starts Report of Plot to Blow Up American Fleet.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Rio Janeiro, Jan. 14.—Police here have been informed by the police of Paris that French anarchists have come to Rio Janeiro with the intention of destroying the American battleships. Strict precautionary measures have been adopted by local authorities.

PLAGUE STAMPED OUT BY SAN FRANCISCANS

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Jan. 14.—The plague has been almost completely stamped out in San Francisco. According to an official report issued by the board of health today only two cases remain. Since the discovery of the first case there has been a total of 74 deaths. Sixty-one patients recovered.

Many persons suffer with weak stomach and more or less illness because they fail to understand the simple and healthful plan of a breakfast somewhat like the following: A little fruit. A dish of Grape-Nuts and cream. One or two soft eggs. A cup of Postum Food Coffee and perhaps a piece of hard toast.

A man says, "I couldn't go on that until noon." One or two days' trial will teach him a big volume of facts and make him feel "fit as a lord." There is a deep underlying and scientific reason. The best argument, however, is the actual experience with such breakfasts.

LOSS OF LIFE

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Assistance was at once asked of both Reading and Pottstown, and special trains carrying nurses and doctors were rushed to the scene of the disaster. Every home within a radius of half a dozen blocks of the opera-house was made a temporary hospital, where the wounded were rushed by carriages and other means of conveyance.

Small Borough. Boyertown is a borough with a population of about 2,500, and is located about midway between Pottstown and Reading.

Hundreds of persons surround the burning structure, and those who are conscious of the pending danger from falling walls. The night was one of waiting and anguish. The shrieks of mothers who had rushed to the scene as soon as they learned of the fire were pitiful. As the night wore on the fire grew to such proportions that it was almost impossible for the police, which had been augmented by a score of men from Pottstown and Reading, to keep the people back. One woman who said she had lost her entire family in the fire was with difficulty restrained from throwing herself into the roaring flames.

At 1 o'clock a special train from Reading bearing physicians and nurses reached here, but there was little for them to do, as the injured who had dashed themselves to the pavement had been cared for by the local physicians, assisted by the Pottstown relief corps.

Wall Collapses. A few minutes after midnight the rear wall of the theatre collapsed. The flames broke out anew, and those who had vainly hoped to be able to find the remains of some of their loved ones turned in despair from the scene of the awful catastrophe.

It is estimated that at least 75 persons were injured by being trampled upon either on the stairway or by jumping from the windows of the burning structure. Of this number at least a score were fatally injured. At least a half dozen succumbed to their injuries after being hurried to one of the temporary hospitals. Three children, ranging in age from 8 to 12 years, and one woman were dragged from the building by persons who had rushed to the rescue but had been trampled almost to a pulp. The skull of one of the unfortunate children had been crushed as though an eggshell.

Men Are Carried. Rueben W. Stover, who escaped from the theatre by dropping from a window, makes the statement today that had it not been for the cowardice of several men in the audience the death list might have been much smaller. In fact, he says, a panic would not have taken place.

"As soon as the children on the stage saw grown-up persons rush for the door," said Stover, "they lost their courage and joined in the stampede. Several men in the audience kicked over one of the lamps. A few minutes later the stage was a mass of flames and the men had kept their seats the little ones would not have lost their heads."

The Dead.

- The list of dead so far as known follows: MRS. FRANK CULLEN. LULU FOLGER. MRS. DANIEL GABEL. DANIELE KRAMER. MRS. DANIEL KRAMER. LOTTIE KRAMER. FRED GODSCHALL. MRS. FRED GODSCHALL. ELISHA REINERT. HARRY TOMS. MRS. HARRY REINHARDT. MRS. GEORGE ROMIG. HERBERT GODSCHALL. MRS. HERBERT GODSCHALL. ELLEN GODSCHALL. ELLEN GODSCHALL. MABEL GRAFF. WILLIAM BOYER. THREE CHILDREN OF MRS. BECKER. MABEL HOEHL. LOUISE TRADER. JOHN RADER. CHARLES LEHVEY. DANIELE KRAMER. MORRIS ANDERSON. JAMES ANDERSON. MRS. JAMES ANDERSON. TWELVE CHILDREN OF MR. AND MRS. ANDERSON. MRS. CARRIE WEAND. FRANKLIN G. LEIDY. A. FOREMAN. MRS. FOREMAN. CHARLES LOWERY. MISS LIZZIE LUNZ. MISS MARY TABOR. HARRY FOREMAN. MRS. HARRY FOREMAN. THREE CHILDREN OF MR. AND MRS. HARRY FOREMAN. A DAUGHTER OF AMOS ENGLE. THOMAS KRAUSE. MAY BAUMAN, all of Boyertown. MRS. EPHRAIM JOHNSON. MISS LIZZIE JOHNSON. MRS. A. M. HARTMAN. WIFE OF DR. FRANCISCO. FRANK BOYER. WILLIAM BOYER. E. H. BOYER. ANNA DORR. MRS. ANNA BAUMAN. MRS. HERBERT JOHNSON. MRS. HERBERT JOHNSON. DAUGHTER OF WILLIAM BOYER. MRS. REUBEN HOFFMAN. OSCAR H. MENCH. MISS LIZZIE ZEIGLER. MARY J. KONICE, all of Gilbertsville.

SCHUEBEL'S NAME GOES TO COMMITTEE

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, D. C., Jan. 14.—Schuebel's appointment has been referred to a subcommittee composed of Fulton, Knox and Clark of Arkansas. Knox was Henry's friend when he first came to public notice in connection with the Oregon land frauds.

W. D. FENTON ARGUES BEFORE SUPREME COURT

Washington, Jan. 14.—H. B. Adams and W. D. Fenton were admitted to practice in the supreme court today. Fenton argues a case tomorrow, the state of Oregon against Curt Mueller, involving the labor laws of Oregon. Fenton is here for the defendant.

A Higher Health Level

"I have reached a higher health level since I began using Dr. King's New Life Pills," writes Jacob Springer, of West Franklin, Maine. "They keep my stomach, liver and bowels working in the right way. If these pills disappoint you on trial, money will be refunded at Skidmore Drug Co.'s drug store. 4c.

Steamer America Attached.

The steamer "America" has been attached for debt in a suit brought by Theodore Knudson & Co. against James Good, the owner. The plaintiff company was employed to make repairs and says \$5,165.78 has been expended for labor and material when differences arose and work was stopped. The amount claimed as unpaid is \$2,700.

NO EXCEPTIONS NOW TO SUNDAY CLOSING

The possession of a couple of pool tables is to be no longer an excuse for the non-observance of the Sunday closing statute by a portion of the saloons of the city. The saloons having pool tables were allowed to remain open by the district attorney with the understanding that no liquor would be sold, but the proprietors of these resorts have disobeyed the instructions of Mr. Manning. A short time ago the district attorney issued an open letter to these men warning them that any further violation of his instructions would result in the tables being put over them as well as the cases not having pool tables. This warning has not been observed and now the district attorney has announced that, beginning with next Sunday, all saloons in the Fourteenth district will have to close. The new order will affect approximately 100 saloons, which were exceptions to the closing rule put in effect some time ago.

Council Contest at Elberton.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Elberton, Wash., Jan. 14.—The new city council will be elected tomorrow. Judge Chadwick of the superior court decided in the election contest case brought by John Foffenroth that the

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January Clearing and White Carnival

Goods are reduced in every department for this great sales event—the buying opportunity of the whole year. Discerning shoppers will not hesitate to supply their needs for months to come. All specials offered are on this season's goods only. Come early and avoid the afternoon rush.

Black and Colored Dress Goods Reduced

- \$1.25 and \$1.50 Imported 48-inch Wool French Panama Plaids... 75¢
- \$2.00 and \$2.50 Priestley's Cravenettes, 54 to 60 inches wide, yd... \$1.48
- \$1.00 and \$1.25 54-inch all-wool and mixed Tailor Suitings, yard... 59¢
- \$2.50 54-inch French Chiffon Broadcloth, high luster, at, yard... \$1.98
- \$1.25-\$1.50 plain Colored Dress Goods, French Panamas, etc... 98¢
- \$2.00 54-inch Imported Novelty Dress Goods, latest weaves, at... \$1.49
- 50c 38-inch Novelty Wool Suitings, in plaids, mixtures, etc., at... 29¢
- \$3.00 50-inch Imported English Mohair Bearskin, clearance sale... \$1.59
- \$1.25 44-inch best English Mohair Brilliantines, chiffon weight, yd... 95¢
- \$1.50 Tourist Cloakings, 56 ins. wide, mixtures, plaids, stripes, at... 75¢
- \$1.00 newest weaves in Black Dress Goods, 44 ins. wide, at, yard... 73¢

All Muslin Undergarments Reduced

- \$1.50 fine Nainsook and Cambric Gowns, values to \$1.50, for... \$1.10
- \$2.00 Nainsook Gowns, circular neck, various trimmings, sale... \$1.48
- \$3.00 fine Nainsook Gowns, circular or V-shape neck, sale at... \$2.33
- \$1.50 white cambric Walking Skirts, various styles, clearance... \$1.18
- \$2.25 white cambric Walking Skirts, values to \$2.25, clearance... \$1.48
- 50c Cambric Corset Covers, values to 50c; clearance sale price... 29¢
- 75c Cambric Drawers, open or closed, with deep ruffle, at... 45¢
- \$1.25 Cambric Drawers, open or closed, values to \$1.25, at... 85¢
- \$1.75 Cambric Drawers, extra quality, values to \$1.75, clearance... \$1.18
- Nainsook Combination Chemise, various styles, values to \$1.50... \$1.10
- \$1.75 Nainsook Corset Covers, circular neck, clearance sale price... \$1.18
- 85c-\$1.00 Corset Covers, sizes 34 to 44, clearance sale price only... 59¢
- \$1.35 Corset Covers in eight different styles, clearance sale price... 89¢

Black Taffetas and Colored Silks

- Regular \$1.00 dependable Black Taffetas, 21 inches wide, per yard... 73¢
- Regular \$1.35 dependable Black Taffetas, 36 inches wide, per yard... \$1.05
- 85c Arnold, Constable & Co.'s 19-inch Black Taffetas, at, per yard... 75¢
- \$1.00 Arnold, Constable & Co.'s 21-inch Black Taffetas, per yard... 87¢
- \$1.75 Arnold, Constable & Co.'s 36-inch Black Taffetas, per yard... \$1.49
- 3,500 yards Plaids, Print Warps, Figured Satin and other silks, values to \$1.50 yard, for the 57th Annual Clearance Sale at only... 69¢
- Spring, 1908, Cheney Foulard Silks are more beautiful than ever.

All Coats, Suits, Waists, Etc., Reduced

- 100 Women's Long and Jacket Coats, values to \$18.50, at only... \$7.95
- \$5.00 Fancy Cluster Fur Scarfs of fine Isabella opossum, at only... \$2.19
- \$8.75 Black Silk Taffeta Petticoats, deep elaborate flounce, only... \$4.87
- \$10.00 Silk and Net Waists, smartest styles, values to \$10.00, at only... \$4.98
- \$3.00 Black Heatherbloom Taffeta Petticoats reduced to only... \$1.92
- \$8.75 Walking Skirts in the smart banded styles, clearance sale... \$2.95
- \$10.00 Panama Walking Skirts, smart banded styles, reduced to... \$5.35
- 100 Women's Tailored Suits, values to \$22.50, clearance sale... \$12.50
- 75 Women's Tailored Suits, values to \$40.00, clearance sale... \$25.50
- \$4.00 Women's Knit Sweater Jackets, clearance sale price only... \$2.75

Flannelette Kimonos, Lounging Robes

- \$4.00 Long Kimonos of fancy figured flannelette, clearance price... \$2.78
- \$2.00 Short Kimonos of good quality flannelette, clearance price... \$1.45
- \$6.50 Fancy Blanket Bath Robes or Lounging Robes, clearance... \$4.78

Embroideries and Laces Much Reduced

- White, cream and ecru net, Venise, Baby Irish and Fillet Allovers, 18 inches wide, values to \$2.00 a yard, clearance sale price yard, only... 98¢
- Valenciennes Laces and Insertions, values to \$1.50 bolt, reduced to... 48¢
- Valenciennes Laces and Insertions, values to \$3.25 bolt, clearance... \$1.35
- Platte Val. Laces and Insertions, values to 15c yard, reduced to, yd... 4¢
- Swiss and Nainsook Edges and Insertions, values to 50c, at only... 12 1/2¢
- 5,000 yards Embroideries, 3 to 18 inches wide, clearance sale price... 23¢

Goods Reduced in Every Department

Great bargains in Suits, Coats, Petticoats, Waists, Furs, Millinery, Ostrich Plumes, Art Needlework, Pyrography, Muslin Underwear, Corsets, Infants' Wear, Rugs, Curtains, Curtain Materials, Blankets, Men's Furnishings, Men's Hats, Hosiery, Drugs and Toilet Articles, Silks, Linens, Flannels, Wash Goods, Domestics, Jewelry, Handkerchiefs, Veilings, Ribbons, Neckwear, Laces, Embroideries, Trimmings, Knit Underwear, Gloves, Dolls, Wool Dress Goods, Leather Goods, Notions, Pictures, Stationery, Umbrellas, Music, Books, etc.

NEW AGENT NOW IN TRAIN SERVICE

P. R. Lund, chief train agent of the Southern Pacific company, is a Portland visitor, on a tour of inspection of the work under his charge. His headquarters are at San Francisco. The work of the train agent is a comparatively new feature in modern railroading. The train agent passes through the train ahead of the conductor, inspects all transportation and sees whether people are on the right train and properly provided with tickets for their trip. He examines local tickets in the hands of passengers, and returns them to passengers if tickets are properly issued. Through tickets are also inspected by him, and he tears off the coupon covering passage to the first gateway or company terminal, and issues instead of the coupon a check on which the passenger travels to the point named.

Quincy Poultry Show.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Quincy, Ill., Jan. 14.—Everything is in readiness for the opening here tomorrow of the first annual exhibition of the Quincy Poultry and Pet Stock association. The exhibits are arriving in large numbers and include prize-winning chickens, ducks, turkeys, pigeons, guinea pigs and other varieties of poultry and pet stock from several states.

EXPO RINK

AFTERNOON AND EVENING Moonlight Skating AND Continuous Music TWO BANDS EXPO RINK

old council was not the proper body to hear the contest and that if it were brought up at all it must be before the new council. It is doubtful now if it will come up at all, as there is only one holdover alderman.