

EDITORS WILL BOOST ROSE SHOW

State Editorial Association Pledges Hearty Support of Portland's Carnival Next June—Body Takes Slap at Libel Law.

Organization Shows Sentiment Towards Editor Putnam, Recently Convicted of Libel, by Electing Him Vice-President.

- Officers Elected.**
- J. S. Dellinger, Daily Astorian, president.
 - George Putnam, Medford Tribune, vice-president.
 - George Schirb, Union Republican, recording secretary.
 - A. D. Moe, Hood River Glacier, corresponding secretary.
 - Frances Gotschall, White Ribbon Review, treasurer.
- Trustees:**
- G. B. Small, Baker City Democrat.
 - Charles H. Fisher, Eugene Guard.
 - C. L. Ireland, Moro Observer.

After endorsing the efforts of the rose fests association and pledging its hearty cooperation in making the carnival next June a success "for exploiting the beauty and glory of Oregon," recommending that the libel laws of Oregon be revised, and taking many other steps for the future good of the press of the state, the editorial association of Oregon adjourned its semi-annual meeting yesterday afternoon. The two-day session just closed was pronounced to be the most successful gathering of newspaper workers ever held in the state.

The rose fests was brought to the attention of the association by a committee from the city press and the following resolution was introduced and passed:

"Whereas, The state press association stands for progress and development, be it resolved, that we heartily endorse the Rose Festival to be held in Portland in June as a valuable feature in exploiting the beauty and glory of Oregon.

We Love for Libel Law.
Following closely, as it did, the recent conviction of George Putnam, editor of the Medford Tribune, on a charge of libeling the Capital Journal, the editorial association naturally took up and discussed the libel laws of the state. A resolution was adopted expressing the sentiment of the association that Putnam was elected vice-president of the association by acclamation and the following resolution passed:

"Whereas, The libel law of this state is unfair and unjust in its present condition, and that the legislative committee formulate a new bill to be submitted to the next legislature, be it resolved, that the press of the state back up said committee in securing said enactment."

Judge Hanna, who held that the findings of a grand jury are infallible and refused to allow Putnam the privilege of introducing evidence to prove the truth of his alleged libel on the grand jury and Deputy District Attorney Clarence Seames, was made the butt of much criticism.

"While I am not satisfied with the ruling of Judge Hanna," said E. Hoffer, editor of the Capital Journal, "as is the feeling of every one here, at the same time his ruling may be right, and if that is the case the law should be revised, and it cannot be done too quickly. The libel laws of this state are so antiquated that they are classed as barbaric that existed in our early period history."

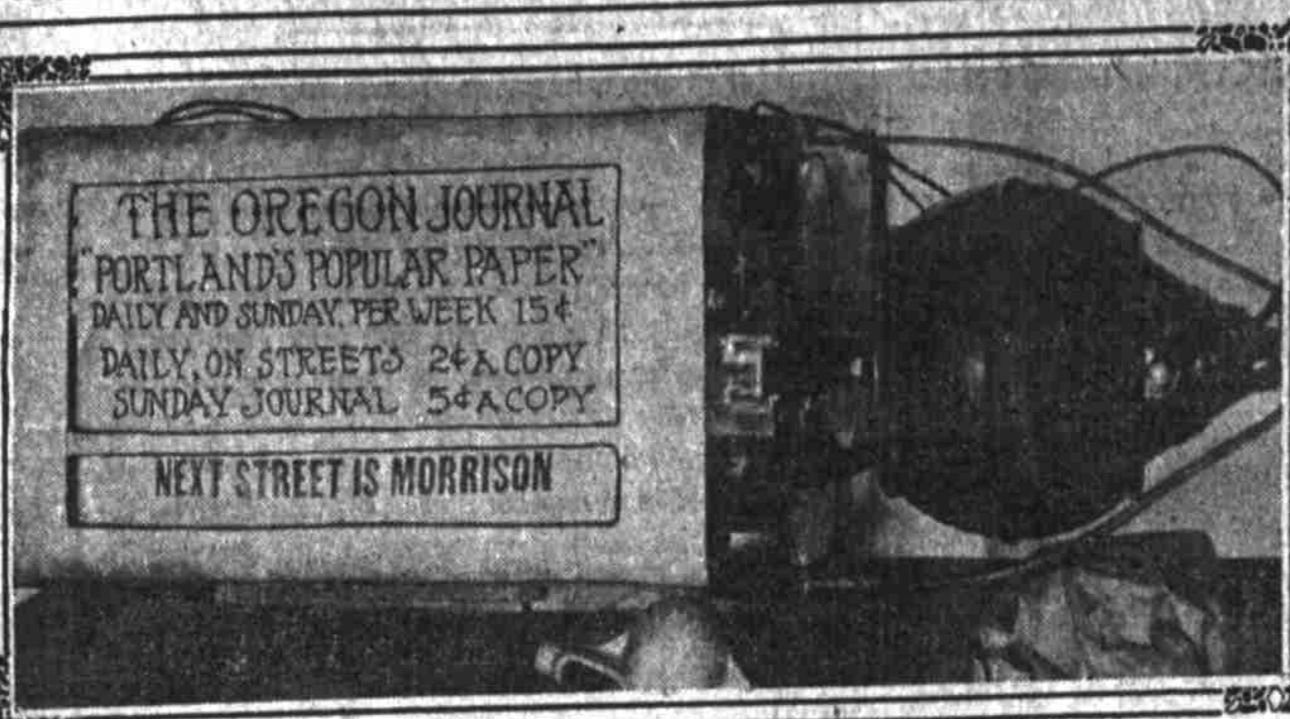
Speaks From Experience.
There is absolutely no remedy against an unfriendly judge under this law, and while our state is far advanced in many other respects, we are woefully backward in a proper libel law. Several times I have been made defendant in libel suits, and can speak from experience.

B. E. Kennedy of the Baker City Herald also occupied the floor and gave it as his opinion that the ruling of Judge Hanna was not right, and that he believed the supreme court would overthrow it. However, he believed the

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NEW SCANDAL IN HARDEN CASE

German Press Alleges Judge Who Acquitted Editor Is Being Persecuted.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Berlin, Jan. 18.—The Harden case sprouts a fresh scandal about once a week. The courts are mixed up in the last one. The press is creating so violent an uproar over their conduct that an investigation seems unavoidable.

The case started with Judge Kern, who has just been transferred from the bench to another department of the ministry of justice. It was given out that the change was made at his own request, but the fact that it practically ends a brilliant career causes the suspicion that the request was extorted.

Kern acquitted Harden on his first trial for libelling Count von Moltke. The newspapers say he is not only being disciplined but time was chosen when his example could not fall to be significant to magistrates engaged then in the second trial.

The Tagblatt says the second hearing resulted partly in conviction, because the judges were influenced, knowing the prosecution took the case under orders "from above."

The Tagblatt says the supreme court will have to grant Harden complete freedom. Berlin press is almost unanimous in asserting Kern's removal suggests improper influence to dictate judicial decisions.

COMMISSION DECIDES CASE FOR RAILROAD

(Hearst News by Longest Leased Wire.) Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—The interstate commerce commission in an important ruling today sustained the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad in a rate controversy with the Hoarward Supply company of San Francisco.

The complaint, the complainant, ships rope cables from San Francisco to Missouri river common points. The rate is charged a rate of 75 cents per hundred pounds, whereas the rate on such rope from San Francisco to Missouri river common points, Mississippi river common points and Chicago, is 60 cents per hundred pounds. Complainant contended that the 75 cent rate is unjust and unduly prejudicial to it, and independence and to the traffic in said commodity; but the commission decided that such rate is not shown to be unreasonable.

state laws should be revised at the next session, and the entire press of the state should be behind the movement.

Friday night a reception was held at the home of Dr. Harvey Waldo Coe. Nearly all the visiting newspaper men and their wives attended. The evening was one of the most enjoyable features of the convention.

Convention a Success.
Many of the members of the association were surprised at the unusually large attendance. The convention was successful and has proved a profitable one. A number of instructive papers were read that excited much comment.

At the close of the session yesterday afternoon the following officers were elected: J. S. Dellinger, Daily Astorian, president; George Putnam, Medford Tribune, vice-president; George Schirb, Union Republican, recording secretary; A. D. Moe, Hood River News Letter, corresponding secretary; Frances Gotschall, White Ribbon Review, treasurer; trustees, G. B. Small, Baker City Democrat; Charles H. Fisher, Eugene Guard; C. L. Ireland, Moro Observer.

The following resolution was also submitted and passed outlining the future attitude the interior press has resolved to take and which has been differently interpreted.

Newspapers on Business Basis.
"Whereas the association is now organized upon a business basis, be it resolved that every editor and publisher so recognize that fact, and from this time forth pledge to himself and those dependent upon him that his respective newspaper shall be recognized in business circles as a business institution run on strictly business lines in addition to dissemination of the news."

Other resolutions expressing sorrow over the death of Anthony Nolter, for 50 years engaged in newspaper work in Oregon, and also for the death of E. H. Thomas, a past president of the National Editorial association. Dr. Coe was thanked for his entertainment, and the other persons and bodies in Portland that have helped to make the sessions of the association successful.

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ROBBERS' CACHE FILLED WITH LOOT

In Arrest of Four Men the Police Believe Reign of Crime Is Broken.

The arrest by police detectives of four young men who are believed to be responsible for a majority of the burglaries and robberies that have occurred within the past few weeks, was the principal topic of conversation about police headquarters yesterday and last night.

The recovery of a greater part of the loot secured by the robbers in their various raids is a pleasing feature of the capture, for the reason that it will eventually find its way to its rightful owners and in the meantime form convincing evidence of the guilt of the men in whose possession it was found.

Special credit is due Detectives Hellyer and Maloney, who are mainly responsible for bringing down the thieves, and also to Detectives Jones and Tichenor, who assisted in the final capture of the men.

The four men arrested are Roy Sommers, J. Redmond, Mike Kelly and Frank Dennison. They were taken in the early morning of the 17th from the store of Philip Rossumme at 262 Front street, of the gulf of the men in whose possession it was found.

Though their operations had to be conducted in the front part of the store and within plain view of the large show windows of any chance passer-by, the burglars succeeded in gathering together plunder from show cases, cash drawers, suitcases and show windows, without being seen.

They wrecked the telephone box and made an ineffectual attempt to crack the safe. They succeeded in getting safely away with the contents of the cash drawer, more than a score of revolvers of the best makes, ammunition, a number of articles of minor value, and other articles of value.

Following the robbery of this store came many burglaries of residences on the east side of the city. A great part of the property stolen in the robberies is supposed to be included in the loot recovered from the shack where the four men were arrested, but it will be several days before all of the people who have been robbed can be notified and called upon to positively identify their property.

Now that these men are safely behind the bars the police express the opinion that there will be an end, for a time at least, of the almost nightly burglaries and robberies that have marked the record of crime for the past few weeks. This sanguine view of the situation is wholly borne out by facts, though it is perhaps true that by the arrest of these men the number of crimes committed will be lessened.

HOUSE AFIRE, MEWING CAT SAVES FAMILY

Pet Arouses Five Persons, Who Flee in Their Night Clothes.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Philadelphia, Jan. 18.—Saved from death by fire through the frantic mewling of their pet cat, and driven into the cold streets in their night clothes at 6 o'clock yesterday morning, Thomas Archer, his wife, two daughters and son of 1824 South Alden street, West Philadelphia, passed through a hair-raising experience.

Archer was awakened by the constant and annoying mewling of the family cat beside his bed. He jumped from bed, woke his wife and then rushed into the street in his bare feet. The women were compelled to walk through the street in their night clothes and in bare feet. The fire was extinguished after a loss which Mr. Archer estimates at \$5,000, had been incurred.

EXPECT HEAVY TRAVEL AS RESULT OF SPECIAL RATE

All Sections of Oregon Look Forward to Unprecedented Immigration This Year—Due to Low Fares From East and Extended Advertising.

Figures showing the cost of travel from a large number of points in the middle west and eastern states on the newly adopted colonist railroad rate for the spring and fall seasons of 1908 have been issued, showing a reduction of \$20 to \$30 from the regular passenger rates from these points to the Pacific northwest.

Oregon boosters are certain that many thousands of colonists can be moved this year, notwithstanding the \$5 advance on each passenger.

From Omaha, Kansas City, St. Paul and Missouri river territory the fare will be \$30. The fare from some of the principal cities will be as follows:

- Season Opens March 1.
- Den Moines, \$24; St. Louis, \$28; Oklahoma, \$26; Peoria, Ill., \$24; Chicago, Ill., \$24; Indianapolis, Ind., \$26.50; Memphis, Tenn., \$22.50; Louisville, Ky., \$23; Cincinnati, \$23; Detroit, Mich., \$24.50; Cleveland, Ohio, \$24.75; Nashville, Tenn., \$25; Pittsburgh, Pa., \$26; Toronto, Ont., \$24.95; Buffalo, N. Y., \$27.50; Birmingham, Ala., \$26.50; Atlanta, Ga., \$27.75; Asheville, N. C., \$21.75; Mobile, Ala., \$21.85; Washington, D. C., \$23.25; Montreal, Quebec, \$25.00; Philadelphia, \$24.75; Baltimore, Md., \$24.75; Boston, Mass., \$24.90; New York City, \$25.

The spring colonist season will begin March 1, and ticket sales will end April 30, but the movement of immigrants will continue 10 days or two weeks after the latter date.

In the four months of the colonist season last year 27,215 colonists came over the Pacific coast. The rate through the Huntington gateway of the Union Pacific system, it is estimated that at least 5,000 more came into Oregon from points on the Northern Pacific, Great Northern and Canadian Pacific.

Oliver Turner, for the last year secretary of the La Grande Commercial club, is enthusiastic regarding the results achieved in his locality. "We never knew before what we could do by earnest work in this direction," said Mr. Turner. "We have obtained full shares of the state's immigration and it is of the kind we most desired—fruit growers and others who mean as much to the development of a community."

Expressions received from over the state unite in an appreciation of the importance of the rate, and a determination to take advantage of it to the greatest possible extent. Commercial bodies for the past year have used the low rate as the nucleus of their advertising campaigns, emphasizing it on booklets, letterheads and envelopes, no publication could be too unpretentious to carry these rates.

It is this persistent effort in connection with 5,000,000 pieces of literature that has made possible the record given above. The smaller cities that travel on the colonist rate are those attracted by the country or town rather than Portland.

Camp of Advertising.
John Hartog, secretary of the Eugene Commercial club, said: "My examination of the club's records during the past year shows me that we profited much by the rate during 1907, but the activity of our club and the campaign we are undertaking I think will bring us a larger percentage of the immigrants this year. Eugene is particularly anxious to get just the class of people to whom these low fares appeal."

"We must remember that the spring does not open early in the great middle west, and this is the section from which our immigration comes in a large degree. January and February are both months when the farmer reads, and it is not too late to influence him perhaps for the present season. Our task is to secure that he has the proper literature brought to his attention."

IOWA WOMAN TAKES FOURTEENTH HUSBAND

Married When She Was 13 Years Old and Eleven Spouses Are Living.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Council Bluffs, Iowa, Jan. 18.—Determined not to stop at the 13 mark for fear of ill luck, Mrs. Jennie P. Bigford, respected and still attractive, married her fourteenth husband yesterday. The latest is A. W. Townsend of Dodge, Nebraska, and he is reported wealthy.

It was when she was just 13 years old that the new Mrs. Townsend took her first ring at the matrimonial game. One year later she was a widow, and the other marriages came thick and fast.

Of the 13 suitors who led her to the altar, 11 are still living. Divorces followed almost as quickly as the marriages. Rude neighbors called it a case of blind staggers.

Before its sight became affected the horse was a pet of a little son of Mr. Gaugle, but after the affliction came it grew despondent because it couldn't recognize its little friend, and pined away. One day a veterinarian came to inspect the animal. He wore large spectacles, and it was noticed that the horse watched these intently. Suddenly leaning forward the animal whisked the glasses from the nose of the horse doctor, and holding them high in the air, whinnied most pathetically.

"No person could be so stupid for the horse until the boy appeared," "Why, daddy, he wants spectacles," shouted the lad.

Within a few days a pair of glasses much resembling those worn by motor car drivers were fitted on the horse and his sight was restored.

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