

PORTLAND WOMAN SEES INTERIOR OF A HAREM

Mrs. Judson Visits Inmates and Partakes of the Inevitable Refreshments—Deplorable Condition of the Poorer Class of Turks—Raids by Soldiers.

Mrs. Victoria Judson, who has returned after a two years' visit abroad, for the most part with her daughter, Mrs. Herbert Underwood, at Eszorum, Turkey, has many interesting experiences to relate of her life among the Turks.

"Did you visit any of the harem women?" "Yes, I did," said Mrs. Judson. "I attended a soiree at the home of a Persian where the harem women were permitted to look through screens at the festivities. Then I received an invitation to go inside, and they showed me every kindness. They sat on the floor and made tea and served little wafters, dainty candies and fruits. Always candied tea and served in their own fashion, and usually a preserve made of rose leaves. It is pleasant, yes. A servant comes in with a platter on which is a silver preserve, a spoon and a glass of water. The guest is supposed to take a spoonful of the preserve and then put the spoon into the water. Then the next is served. It would be a great breach of etiquette not to serve some sort of refreshment. Even the missionaries follow the custom of the country."

"Are the women happy?" "Yes, I think so. They seem to get on nicely together—at least while visitors are there. One of the harem women chatted with us about her husband's other wives.

Widow's Grief Prescribed. "It is worse in the interior of the harem than on the coast. The people are wretchedly poor. The women wear a wooden cap with a cloth around the face and another over the lower part of the face, so that only the eyes are visible, and they have a ring in the nose. Their dress is a long robe over the straight trousers such as the European women wear, and a straight apron. The cause of their poverty—oh, the misery of the country. It is as rich land as you would see anywhere, and there is plenty of water, but the taxes are so heavy, and they have so little to do with that they have only eyes to support life. They are liable at any time to a raid from the soldiery ordered by the government, who seize their food and drive them out upon the plains, even in the snow. One morning, when I heard a noise I went out in front of the school and there was a strange mob, of women and children, mostly half naked and crying. I called the doctor and he came out—'oh, he said—another raid on the village. These poor people had been robbed of everything they had. The best they could do was to make their way to other villages and get help.

Country Undeveloped. "The missionaries are doing what they can, and those who are educated in the Christian schools go out and try to help their countrymen—but you would call it almost hopeless. The Turks do not acknowledge that they are Christians. They are not allowed to develop their country, even though it is rich in minerals, as much of it is.

"Everything is done in the most primitive manner. They drive oxen and buffalo in their carts with heavy wooden wheels." Mrs. Judson told of an experience she had when she first went to Eszorum. Laid out in the market, she was told that she was an American and not used to having two or three servants following her around. One day I said I would take a little walk. My daughter said, 'Take Seroppe' (the boy) with you. I demurred but still Seroppe followed along behind me.

Followed by Soldiers. "I thought I would go out on a hillside where there was an old fort, but as I drew near the place Seroppe begged me not to go. He said, 'The doctor will be very angry if you go there. I laughed at him and went on, for I could see no reason why I should not walk up a hillside if I wanted to. Then looking back I saw a soldier following me. Then another joined in, and soon there was another. Seroppe became very much excited and fairly pleaded with me not to go. Well, I gave it up, and learned afterward that it is against the law for anyone to go near a fort or to make any sort of a picture of any wall, embankment or fort. But do you know, for as much as three months every time I left the house two or three soldiers followed me everywhere I went. After awhile they became convinced that I was harmless and so they let me alone."

RIVAL CONCERNS SEEK FRANCHISE

A. D. T. Company Enters Field for Fire-Alarm Privilege in City.

After doing everything but finally pass the franchise of the National Automatic Fire Alarm company, the councilmen received a request for a franchise from the American District Telegraph company asking for a similar franchise and agreeing to give the city one-third of the gross receipts, whereas the National Automatic company agreed to furnish but 1 per cent. The A. D. T. company also agrees to fix the maximum price for box rentals at \$2 a month instead of \$4 a month as provided for in the National franchise. Councilman Bennett introduced the ordinance yesterday by request, and the councilmen had several distinct thrills and trembles upon its introduction. There has been a great deal of opposition to the National Automatic Fire Alarm company's franchise on the ground that it would eventually result in one of the richest franchises in the city. The opposition asked that the company be required to install its system on its own wires and not on the wires of the city fire department. At the present time the franchise of the National company is being advertised, the last step to be taken before finally granting the concession. Inasmuch as the city would derive greater benefit from the A. D. T. company, it is probable that it too will receive a franchise, although the councilmen may decide to require both companies to connect their systems on wires separate from the city wires. The A. D. T. company already has many wires strung about the city and the expense of completing its system would be comparatively slight to that which the National company would have to incur to compete with the A. D. T. company.

STOP ON FAR SIDE OR SAY WHY, PLEASE

Members of the city council want the Portland Railway, Light & Power company to return to the old way of stopping streetcars on the far side of the street instead of the near side. The councilmen voted, upon motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Vaughn, to request the company either to return to the old method or give a reason why.

The chief complaint against the present practice comes from women who are forced either to walk through the mud to the rear platform or to clamber on the front platform, where they have to open the heavy doors and raise the curtain in order to get to their seats.

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HIGH BRIDGE S FAVORED TYPE

Proposed Madison - Street Structure Would Cost City \$1,000,000.

In submitting his report to the city council on the feasibility of a high bridge at Madison street yesterday, City Engineer D. W. Taylor offered four types from which the councilmen can select one that will satisfy their wishes. The report was referred to the street body for discussion tomorrow afternoon. Of the four types submitted by Engineer Taylor, who was assisted in the report by Consulting Engineer J. B. Lockwood, a high bridge 70 feet wide and allowing all but the highest rigid girders to be removed without opening the draw, met with the greatest approval yesterday. This bridge will cost approximately \$1,000,000. The report follows:

Second and Jefferson Terminal. To the Honorable Mayor and Council of the City of Portland—Gentlemen: In the matter of the preparation of plans, etc., for proposed bridges to take the place of the present Madison street bridge, I wish to make the following report:

In pursuance of authority granted by your honorable body, J. B. C. Lockwood was employed as consulting engineer, the last step to be taken before finally granting the concession. Inasmuch as the city would derive greater benefit from the A. D. T. company, it is probable that it too will receive a franchise, although the councilmen may decide to require both companies to connect their systems on wires separate from the city wires. The A. D. T. company already has many wires strung about the city and the expense of completing its system would be comparatively slight to that which the National company would have to incur to compete with the A. D. T. company.

Four Plans Considered. There are practically four plans prepared by Mr. Lockwood, viz.: First—High bridge from Jefferson and Second streets to Hawthorne and Union avenues, with east and west approaches of steel and concrete, estimated cost \$1,000,000.

Second—High bridge from Jefferson and Second streets to Hawthorne avenue and East Water street with approaches of steel and concrete, estimated cost \$850,000.

Third—Bridges from Madison and Front streets to Hawthorne avenue at Union avenue, with approaches of steel and concrete, \$700,000.

Fourth—Bridges from Madison and Front streets to Hawthorne avenue at East Water street, with approaches of steel and concrete, \$700,000.

Substituting timber grillages in the river piers for that part of the concrete piers, and using the same for the approach of each of the above estimates \$50,000. The proposed bridge from Madison street to Hawthorne avenue would be 16 1/2 feet higher than the present bridge. The proposed bridge from Jefferson and Second streets to Hawthorne avenue would be 27 feet higher than the present bridge. The estimate of probable cost of constructing bridges in accordance with plans submitted does not include any

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thing for right of way, or for damages that might be claimed by owners of adjacent property. I herewith submit blue prints of the different plans prepared by Mr. Lockwood, together with a copy of his report which the councilmen may wish to read. As the matter of the proper location of the proposed new bridge has been the subject of much discussion and the cost of the bridge to be built is of great importance to the taxpayer, I would suggest that these plans be referred to a special committee to take up by the council as a committee of the whole, so that the matter can receive careful consideration before any plan is finally decided upon. Yours respectfully, D. W. TAYLOR, City Engineer.

CLOSING OUT SALE.

Great Specials for Friday and Saturday—See Ad. See today's ad for great closing out sale specials for Friday and Saturday. Now's your opportunity to buy good reliable merchandise at, in many cases, below regular wholesale prices. Please trade in the morning if possible. McAllen & McDonnell, corner Third and Morrison.

WATER AND LIGHT SYSTEM FOR NEWPORT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Newport, Or., May 21.—If present plans are carried out a special election will be called soon in Newport for the purpose of voting bonds for a water and electric light system. The disastrous fire of New Year's night, which destroyed several buildings and endangered the entire business part of the town, has made the citizens feel that adequate fire protection is a necessity, while the fact that in the summer season thousands of temporary residents come to Newport makes proper lighting of the place almost equally essential. Mayor Bessell has proposed that a special election be called for the purpose of voting bonds, and the city has met with such unanimous support that it appears probable that the election will be hardly more than a matter of form.

NEWPORT RESIDENTS FORM FINE COMPANY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Newport, Or., May 21.—A volunteer fire company, to be known as the Newport fire company, has been organized here and apparatus, a fire station, etc., are to be provided as soon as possible. A meeting was held here Saturday night for the purpose of effecting organization. Twenty men signed the roll, officers were elected and a committee chosen to draw up the necessary papers. The city council, it is understood, will provide the apparatus for the company's use. Practice will be commenced at once. F. H. Lane was elected fire chief, Lee Covert captain, Theo. Covert secretary and H. F. Jenkins treasurer.

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LOYAL ROOSTER CROWS WHEN MISTRESS OUSTS SEAT-MATE

A stout woman boarded the St. Johns car last night. The car was nearly full. The lady of the avoirdupois sat down in a space that is ordinarily laid out for two passengers but she had to squeeze. There was only one passenger, a little man, between her and the end of the seat. The woman carried a large basket covered with a towel. The curiosity of other passengers was aroused by a movement under the towel indicating that she was carrying something. Now the little man was being pressed uncomfortably close to the wall. He grew irascible and his eyes were cast toward the fat lady's side. The fat lady responded

in kind. The little man told her to get out of the platform with her livestock. The lady told him to mind his own advice. The elbow movement on both sides became continuous. Suddenly the car swung around a sharp curve. The 300 or more pounds of ballast cartened sharply to leeward and a crowd of on-lookers and a shrill buffer leaped to his feet and sought the platform. Everybody in the car was startled and amused just at this moment by a snapping of wings, and as another jump of the car knocked the towel off the basket a young rooster jumped on the seat and thrilled forth a peen of victory. The fat woman had won. At least the passenger thought the feathered one was celebrating the discomfiture of the little man.

PORTLAND CRAFT WORK CAN HOLD ITS OWN WITH EASTERN

The opening of the Arts and Crafts exhibition last night at the Art museum brought out a large number of interested spectators who spent a profitable hour enjoying the artistic and beautiful work brought together for this exhibition. The various committees have been untiring in their efforts to make the most comprehensive and notable exhibition of handicraft ever seen in the city, and the result proves their success. Much of the work from Dedham and Marblehead is delightful. The textiles sent from the Massachusetts commission for the blind are remarkably well done and that done by Kentonky whites and the old Acadian craft work from Louisiana is particularly interesting. The pottery from Dedham and Marblehead is delightful.

Portland craftsmen have sent work in leather, book binding, wood, metal, silver, wood and basketry, photography, illumination and textiles. One of the most striking things in wood done by local workers is the large carved chest, the work of Mrs. Edward Cookingham. Miss Belle Almsworth and James Foster are other contributors in wood. Among the metal workers whose work is shown are Mrs. Lee Hoffman, Mrs. J. McI. Wood, Miss Elizabeth Nichols, Mrs. H. F. Wentz, Miss Kathleen Burns, Miss Lavilla Humason, Miss Margaret M. Jones, Miss Myrtle Noble, Miss Louise Carey, Mrs. G. A. Lyman, Mrs. M. A. Ashley, Graham Dukehart, R. G. Geer, Miss Helen Eastham, Miss Helen Harmon and Evelyn Rigler. Miss Mildred Watkins, who is well remembered here, has sent some charming jewelry and enameled work. The designs for stained glass by Edward Burns attract much attention. One of the most interesting things in textiles is the peacock design in stencil work a curtain, by Mrs. Frank Smith of New York. The coloring is done by the worker and the effect is remarkably soft and harmonious. Miss Rachel Larus of Baltimore contributes several articles in glass work, an application of composition to wood

CLEARED AWAY

Proper Food Put the Troubles Away. Our own troubles always seem more severe than any others. But when a man is unable to eat even a light breakfast, for years, without severe distress, he has trouble enough. It is small wonder he likes to tell of food which cleared away the troubles.

"I am glad of the opportunity to tell of the good Grape-Nuts has done for me," writes a N. H. man. "For many years I was unable to eat even a light breakfast without great suffering. "After eating I would suddenly be seized with a terrible attack of colic and vomiting. This would be followed by headache and misery that would sometimes last a week or two, leaving me so weak I could hardly sit up or walk. "Since I began to use Grape-Nuts I have been free from the old troubles. I usually eat Grape-Nuts food one or more times a day, taking it at the beginning of the meal. Now I can eat almost anything I want without trouble. "When I began to use Grape-Nuts I was way under my usual weight, now I weigh 39 pounds more than I ever weighed in my life, and I am glad to speak of the food that has worked the change. "There's a Reason." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the little booklet, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

For the Woman That's Fat

A Detroit physician says that the cheapest and safest mixture a fat woman who wants to get thin can use is one half ounce Marmola (get it in the original half ounce packages), one half ounce Fluid Extract Cascara Aromatic and three or one half ounces Syrup Simplex. The proper amount to take is one teaspoonful after meals and after time. These ingredients may be obtained from any druggist at small cost and make a combination that is not only excellent as a fat reducer, being able, it is claimed, to take off a pound a week without causing wrinkles, but is also a splendid help to the system as a whole, regulating the entire circulation, and clearing the skin of pimples and blotches. No exercise is required to help the remedy in its work, and, in fact, all no dieting is necessary while taking it—you can eat what you like.

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OPERATORS TO STRIKE AT CONVENTION TIME

(United Press Special Wire.) Chicago, May 21.—Members of the Commercial Telegraphers' union are again talking strike. They are planning a general tieup of the wires at the time of the Republican national convention in June. It is said they figure that the moral effect of a strike at such a time may produce results within the convention hall which might be repeated later when the delegates meet in Denver, and bring about a governmental investigation of conditions.

BARON SAYS JAPAN DOES NOT NEED COIN

Washington, May 21.—"Japan does not need money. If she wanted it she would not come to the United States for it. She could get it nearer home." In these words Baron Yoshio Sakakini, Japanese minister of finance for Japan, denied today at the Japanese embassy in this city, that he had been sent to this country to negotiate loans to his country. "Our country is flourishing and getting wealthier every year. We are not in want. There is no truth in the statement that Japan has used up her money to borrow money. I am in a special position. It is the first time in the 10 years of my life that I have been off Japanese soil. I have always wanted to see the United States, and am glad to see this wonderful country and meet some interesting people.

PAUL ROCKEY WILL BE GIVEN DEGREE

(United Press Special Wire.) Boston, Mass., May 21.—Among the successful candidates for the doctor of medicine degree at Columbia university