

5,000 MEN IN PARADE

Labor Day Celebration Next Month to Be Largest in History of City—All Labor Unions Will Participate.

Organized labor started a movement yesterday afternoon which it is claimed will result in the largest and most successful celebration of labor day, September 7, ever held in Portland. The celebration will embrace a monster parade, participated in by the members of all the local unions, something like 5,000 men being in line. Industrial contests put on by most of the unions, an oration to be delivered by some prominent speaker, besides a number of other interesting features. The sporting events and the speaking will probably take place at the Lewis and Clark fair grounds.

A committee of 20 was selected yesterday. Five members from each of the four sectional labor bodies—the building trades, federated trades, iron trades and water front trades. J. M. Crockett was chosen chairman of the committee and H. Evered secretary treasurer. Headquarters have been established in room 306, Drew building.

The general committee has ordered 5,000 light mounted, celluloid buttons, the handsomest thing in the way of a labor day badge ever seen in Portland. Subcommittees on finance, grounds and speaker have been named, and J. Ambrose, E. W. Kander and J. D. M. Crockett will handle the sports. In order to avoid some of the disagreeable features heretofore attending labor day celebrations, it was agreed by the general committee that the program must be gotten up entirely by well known and responsible local men, preferably members of unions. Organizations desiring to enter contests will notify sports committee on or before August 16.

It was agreed to ask the assistance of the local business men, as labor leaders believe that a labor day celebration is the same as any other civic celebration.

IMMENSE CROWDS HEAR PARK CONCERT

Yesterday's band concert in the city park drew an immense crowd. Possibly 15,000 people went to hear the music. And it was certainly worth going to hear, because it was splendidly rendered.

The program was one that would test the capacity of a musical organization, such numbers as "Tannhauser Overture" and the ballet music from "Faust" being included. The ballet music in particular was pleasing. Signor DeCaprio played a beautiful solo composed by his father, and for scores responded with "The Sweetest Stray Ever Told" and "Bellevue's" Tchaikovsky's "March" opened the concert. A Mexican dance, the intermezzo "Passacalle," Weber's "Invitation to the Waltz," sacred chorus from Rossini's "La Cenerentola" and Verdi's "Jerusalem" were other numbers rendered.

In view of the excellence of the band it is being urged that if the fine weather continues, arrangements should be made whereby the concert season might be extended beyond the original six weeks, which are up after a few more concerts.

WATCH BREATHLESSLY TILL MEAL IS SERVED

Pedestrians in Washington street early this morning held their breaths, stood on tip toe and were in suspense generally while a messenger boy rode along guiding a bicycle with one hand and carrying some one's breakfast on a tray in the other.

But the boy paid no attention to any one. He didn't have the time. A glance aside or to lose his balance meant to lose the breakfast right in the middle of the street, or perhaps even his job also. The street was wet, having been sprinkled. Persons who witnessed the sight expected to see the bike, the boy, the china, the eggs and toast and coffee go to the pavement a mass at any second.

Then the boy reached his destination, dismounted calmly, still carrying the tray on one hand above his head. Washington street began breathing regularly again and resumed its work—the beginning of a new week. Breakfast had been served.

GROPED HER WAY THROUGH SMOKE

Steamer Homer Leaves Coos Bay When Forest Fires Approach.

CITY OF PANAMA DUE HERE TONIGHT

Steam Schooner Johan Poulsen Arrives From San Francisco With Cargo and to Load Wheat and Lumber—Sharks Desert River.

When leaving Coos Bay for Portland Friday night the steamer Homer, Captain Doria, had to grope her way out of the bay through dense smoke from the forest fires back of the hills. With a stiff breeze blowing the fire assumed a serious aspect and it was feared for the safety of the cities and settlements on the bay.

The Homer arrived here this morning and went to Couch street dock to deliver freight and passengers. She came north from San Francisco by way of Coos and will leave on her return voyage tomorrow night. The intention is to keep her in regular commission between Portland and the bay city, carrying freight and passengers.

A stiff northwest wind was backed all the way up the coast and dense fogs delayed progress off the mouth of the river. Included in the cargo was a lot of asphalt for a street paving concern.

The steam schooner Johan Poulsen, Captain Nilsson, arrived at Oak street dock yesterday morning from San Francisco. She brought a large quantity of freight and will load lumber for a return cargo. The wheat will be taken on at Oceanic dock and the lumber will be furnished by the mills of the Inman-Poulsen Lumber company, Clark & Wilson Lumber company, Linton, and the Beaver Lumber company.

The steamer City of Panama, Captain Frazer, is due to arrive at Oak street dock this evening from Coos Bay. She reached Astoria at 4:45 this morning and left up at 7. This should bring her to her dock about 10 o'clock.

Captains of incoming coasters report that the schools of sharks that swarmed in the waters off the mouth of the Columbia had disappeared. At least no man-eaters were sighted by the officers of the craft now in the harbor.

UNDERWRITERS PAY TUG

Hulk of Derelict Steamer Minnie Kelton to Be Repaired.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Astoria, Or., Aug. 2.—Arrangements have been made regarding the disposal of the derelict hulk Minnie E. Kelton, the underwriters for the San Francisco owners paying to the Puget Sound Tug Boat company an amount not yet fixed for the use of the tug Tootoosh for towing the hulk to Astoria. They will also pay the O. R. & N. company who have examined the hulk and close up the hulk inside the dock and close up to the railroad trestle. After a thorough examination she will probably be towed to Portland and placed on the dry-dock.

TO LOAD LUMBER

Hammond's New Steam Schooner Fenwick Coming to River.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Astoria, Or., Aug. 3.—Tuesday next the steamship George W. Fenwick will enter this port for the first time, and from that on Astoria will be her headquarters. She belongs to the Hammond fleet, and is a sister ship to the Francis Leggett, whose headquarters will be here also. Both boats belong to the Hammond Lumber company of Tongue Point. The Leggett is now on the way towing log rafts to San Pedro. The Fenwick is 295 feet long and carries over 2,000,000 feet of lumber, and will ply between here, Eureka and San Pedro.

TAFT WILL SPEAK BEFORE ASSOCIATION

(United Press Leased Wire.) Hot Springs, Va., Aug. 3.—A committee of the Virginia Bar association today invited Judge Taft to attend a dinner to be given by the association Wednesday night. Taft accepted and will deliver an address at the dinner. Before speaking he will read his usual work, going over his mail and attending to campaign business, the candidate played golf with Senator Jonathan Bourne of Oregon, who says he came here to give Taft exercise on the links to keep him in condition.

Can You Sleep?

If you are too nervous to sleep or eat use Palmo tablets, 50c a box, 6 boxes \$2.50. All druggists, or address the J. A. Clementson Drug Co., Second and Yamhill streets, Portland, Or.

DIRECTORS ASK FOR THE BEST WEATHER

Livestock Association Requests Best Accommodations for Crowds.

Directors of the Country club and Livestock association are holding their regular monthly meeting this afternoon and have many knotty problems to dispose of. While the O. R. & N. and the Portland Railway, Light & Power company have agreed to furnish extra transportation facilities sufficient to move between 6,000 and 7,000 people the first 10 minutes after each day's races are over, the directors of the association do not believe that even such arrangements will be adequate to meet the demands. The situation is to be discussed thoroughly this afternoon and traffic officials of the steam and trolley roads which will run extensions to the Country club grounds will, without much question, be asked to grant even greater concessions than those already offered.

The matter of designating special days of the week's races, with special features embodied in the program for these days is another matter to be discussed. Some of the directors want a "Portland day" others a "Salem day," others an "All Oregon" or "All Northwest" day.

Various subcommittees building, program, fire protection, amusement, entertainment, education and other have reports of the progress made in the special lines of work of which they have charge to make, and the final arrangements for the poultry exhibit under the auspices of the State Poultry association are to be made at this meeting.

It is probable that because of the immense amount of preliminary work yet to be done before the races, which are scarcely six weeks away, meeting of either the full board of directors or the executive committee will be held each week, from now until the races are over.

Professor G. H. Scribner, of Rosendale, Wis., has consented to act as judge of dairy cattle at the livestock exposition here and at the Salem state fair. He has been in charge of the dairy and exhibits in the northwest, and the local people consider themselves an honor in securing his services on account of the heavy demands made upon his time in various parts of the country.

FEDERAL COURT GOES ON VACATION

Judge Charles E. Wolverton of the United States court will begin his vacation next Saturday. Most of his time while away will be spent near Cascadia, in Linn county.

There will be no court in either the United States circuit or district court while Judge Wolverton is away. Neither are any cases to be heard in the federal court during the month of September.

Judge Wolverton will attend to the routine business during the time, however, but will only be on the bench on such occasions when he is required. The latter part of the month he will attend the meeting of the National Bar association in Seattle.

United States District Attorney John McCourt also leaves on his vacation during this week. He will go to the seashore with his family. Walter H. Evans will be in charge during Mr. McCourt's absence.

AT THE THEATRES

Pantages Reopens Today.

Pantages reopens today at the reconstructed Fourth street house, now the best equipped, most modern and handsomest theatre in Portland. The interior is a thing of beauty. The opening bill is one of the finest ever seen in Portland, headed by the wonderful performing cats owned by Mlle. Tetchow.

"Merry Grafters" at the Oaks.

Beginning tonight the Allen Curtis company will produce the new and pleasing comedy "The Merry Grafters" in the big auditorium at The Oaks. Special arrangements have been made for the piece, which is full of new comedy, new songs, new costumes and scenery. Mr. Cotton, the new comedian from New York, will make his initial appearance this week and will greatly strengthen the cast.

Sirronje Arrives.

Sirronje, the young woman who defies handicaps, will be the headliner of the new vaudeville program which starts today at the Grand. This young girl is the only one of her sex who has been able to accomplish the handoff trick which hitherto only men have attempted.

HOT BY THE WEATHER

A Lot of Beauties Take an Awful Tumble.

A Proposition That Is Making Things at Upper Washington Street Teem With Business—Why It's Done—Some Startling Figures and Full Details.

The announcement of Ellers piano house on page 7 to sell an even 100 fine and new highest grade pianos for less than what instruments of similar grade and quality have ever heretofore been offered in this or any other city, and at the same time to sell them in payments of \$5 down and \$1 a week is bound to arouse unparalleled interest. The mere mention of the fact that the best selected instruments of the four leading and largest piano makers of the United States are being offered for sale at cut prices will be sufficient to start a stream of piano buyers to 353 Washington street.

There must be witnessed numerous special offerings in the piano trade. Ellers piano house is admittedly the best where at all times the best of everything is obtainable for less money than can be secured at any other store or agency. But in this sale brand new pianos are obtainable for less than they have ever heretofore been offered in this or any other city.

Hot Weather Hindered Us.

The unprecedented hot weather last month naturally interfered a great deal with piano selling. People simply would not and could not consider a matter that is so easily put off. The main reason for the delay in the organization in the United States in the piano trade. Vacations are over. Draymen, turners, piece men and all other employes of the big establishment must be kept busy. Besides, new pianos are coming from various factories regularly. In addition to selling the large number of pianos planned for during August, we propose also to sell those which ought to have been taken heretofore. A price so low and terms of payment so easy as to make it a mere matter of saving carfare to clear money to get one, will accomplish the result we are after.

Some of the Sale Prices.

We now offer choice of numerous most superb genuine mottled mahogany or fancy oak cased regular \$500 upright pianos, instruments that we guarantee and that have never heretofore been sold in this or any other city under any circumstances for less than \$388; we will sell them now for \$294.

Forty dollars less will buy the same make in a little smaller size, and a very little more will secure during this sale the most elaborately hand carved and fanciest case high grade upright that we or other dealers have in stock.

The usual \$275 and \$300 styles are being sold for \$218 and \$194. Still plainer styles, also good toned splendid sounding pianos such as are usually sold for \$250 and upwards are now \$128, \$147, etc., etc.

Please bear in mind that Ellers piano house carries the finest upright and grand pianos obtainable in Oregon. Our good reputation, secured after years of careful endeavor, is too valuable and dear to us to permit an over-statement of facts. We take special precaution to secure only the very finest pianos that money and brains can produce. Nearly every one of our highest priced instruments are personally selected by one of our Messrs. Ellers at the various eastern factories and are the finest made.

All pianos included in this sale are strictly brand new. They are our regular stock. They are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the respective manufacturers as well as by ourselves. Delivery is free.

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With the exception of several very fancy pianos on which terms of payment can not be less than \$20 down and \$10 the first week, the average piano may be had at its cash cost on payment of \$5 down and payment of \$1 a week. There is no further discount for cash, but interest on deferred payments at 8 per cent per annum will be charged.

This sale is being held at our city store, 353 Washington street, corner of Park. Be here early to secure choice. In special sales we have frequently sold as many as 300 or 37 pianos each day, and we know from experience that every instrument in this sale will be sold before the week is over. Let us caution you again—do not put off coming; we mean business. Ellers Piano House, the home of the "hickory-top" Hager, the "Cable," the "Kimball," and also New York's superb art product, the Weber, and the genuine Pianola Piano.

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CHARLES E. KRAMER DROWNS NEAR ALBANY

Albany, Or., Aug. 2.—Charles E. Kramer was drowned in the Willamette river here at 1 o'clock yesterday. He was with his two step-sons, Bob and Jess, aged 1 and 4, whom he was teaching to swim, and Oscar Tinkle, a boy of about the same age, he went in bathing just below the steel bridge. When in the water only a few minutes Kramer, who was a good swimmer, started to swim to shore from a floating log, but apparently was seized with cramps. Calling out, "I can't make it, boys," he sank in about six feet of water.

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