

RETAIL GROCERS' ASSOCIATION CONVEYIES

MAN STATES' DELEGATIONS ARE HERE

Prominent Business Men From Wide Area Gather in City to Promote Cause of Industry and Cement Harmonious Feeling.

With more than 150 delegates and a like number of visitors from all parts of the United States in attendance, the Twelfth annual convention of the National Association of Retail Grocers was called to order at 10 o'clock this morning in the auditorium of the Masonic Temple, West Park and Yamhill streets.

Retail grocers from practically every state in the Union, with their wives and families, were present. The delegation from Ohio was the largest in the convention, and that from Oklahoma the smallest. The party from Ohio numbered 100, and arrived early on a special train.

J. C. Mann, president of the Portland Retail Grocers' association, called the convention to order shortly after 10 o'clock. Following an invocation delivered by Rev. Clarence True Wilson, Mr. Mann made an address of welcome on behalf of the local association. He said:

Portland is appreciative. I assure you that this association realizes the importance of this convention and also appreciates the honor you have conferred on it. The acceptance of our invitation by you to hold your convention for 1909 in Portland, extended to you by a committee which we sent to Boston last year, was received by us with the greatest elation. This audience before me is the fulfillment of that acceptance. It is the realization of a long expected pleasure. We welcome you to Portland.

Your association is to be commended for being able to bring so many of your western delegates to a convention held in a far western city. It takes valuable time and costs money, but I believe when you have returned to your homes you will say that it has been time and money well spent. It is an education as well as a pleasure.

This meeting speaks well for the individual delegate. You are abreast of the times in seeking business knowledge and in no way can it be acquired so easily and satisfactorily as in getting together. Your approval of that fact is evidenced by your presence.

We hope that this convention will be the best you have ever held. We trust that the bill we have secured for your deliberations will be convenient and acceptable.

We have arranged a few diversions on the outside during the weeks. Your presence is absolutely necessary.

"And in the bluff fashion of the west, 'Boys, we are mighty glad to see you.'"

Mr. Kline Speaks. Mr. Mann was followed by S. L. Kline of Coville, president of the Oregon Retail Merchants' association, who delivered a brief address of welcome in which he mentioned the many entertainments and excursions arranged for the visitors.

W. Schwab of Willamette, Wis., national treasurer of the association, responded to President Kline's address, and was followed by Frank Spencer, who welcomed the delegates on behalf of the wholesale grocers of the state of Oregon.

J. Higgins of Seattle, Wash., secretary of the Washington State Grocers' association, responded. Mayor Harry Lane of Portland welcomed the retailers.

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OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF THE PORTLAND RETAIL GROCERS' ASSOCIATION



Dan Kellaher, Treasurer. J. E. Malley, Director. Geo. Hockenjos, Sec. J. C. Mann, Pres. Emil Gunther, Vice Pres. Chas. W. Stubbs, Direc. Emil Wommelsdorf, Dir.

VOTERS RALLY TO MUNLY'S SUPPORT

Contends That Well Known and Public Spirited Barrister Is Strongest Candidate in Mayoralty Race Against Joseph Simon.

Contending that Judge M. G. Munly is the strongest candidate in the mayoralty race against Joseph Simon, that he is in every way fitted for the position to which he aspires and that he is deserving of and will get the vote of a great many Republicans as well as of practically all the Democrats of the city, the friends of Judge Munly are rallying to his support.

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SESSION HOURS SET BY SENATE

Seven Hours by Day and Three by Night Till Tariff Completed.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, June 2.—The senate today formally adopted the Aldrich resolution providing that its sessions shall be from 10:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m., and from 8 to 11 p. m., until the work on the tariff bill is completed.

PECULIAR WEATHER IN MONTH OF MAY

Although May was one of the driest months on record, the deficiency in rainfall for the season beginning June 1 was reduced somewhat by the showers of the past several days. Without these wettings the ground would have been parched and vegetation would have suffered irreparably.

CHINA DEALS WITH MORGAN GROUP FOR HUGE RAILWAY LOAN

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, June 2.—Discovery today that the real mission of the Chinese special envoy, Tang Shan Li, and his party, who spent several weeks at Washington last February was to borrow \$100,000,000 for the Szechuan railroad created a stir in Wall street today.

It is understood that negotiations are now in progress between a group of American financiers, headed by J. P. Morgan, and the Chinese promoters, for the conclusion of the gigantic loan as soon as the Chinese government gives authority for the final arrangement.

The envoys, when they arrived last February, announced that they came to

the United States to thank President Roosevelt for his liberality in remitting the Boxer indemnity. The envoys established themselves in a mansion at Washington and subsequent incidents indicated that they had some other mission here besides the one made public.

Ellis Root, then secretary of state, told Tang, that America did not loan money to foreign countries for political purposes, but that if proper assurances were given the state department that the loan was safe the department would so assure the American financiers.

This assurance from the Chinese government is expected within a short time and it is thought the loan will be arranged soon.

PUT BLAME ON PRINTER AND ATTORNEY

Candidates For Municipal Offices Find Their Names Shuffled Out of Alphabetical Order on Ballots Prepared for Election Monday

Somewhere, somehow, irregularity has crept onto the official and the sample ballots prepared by the city auditor for the election of Monday next.

Mr. Chambers discovered the fact that he had been thrown out of his rightful position at the top of the list, and is now contemplating legal action, should it be possible to secure redress in the courts at this time.

Arrangement of the names upon the ballots for general elections is provided for by section 2309 of the code. In this section it is provided that the names of the candidates for each office shall be arranged under the designation of the office, in alphabetical order, according to surnames, except that the names of candidates for the offices of electors of president and vice president and for the senate and house of representatives shall be arranged in groups, as presented in the several certificates of nomination.

Under this section of the law, therefore, the names of the candidates for the office of councilman at large should be in the following order: Chambers, Devlin, Johnson, Lombard, Miller, Newell, Sladen. The arrangement, however, which is on the ballot, is as follows: Devlin, Lombard, Chambers, Johnson, Newell, Miller, Sladen.

Mr. Chambers discovered the wrong arrangement some time ago and interviewed the city auditor about it. Auditor Harbur made an investigation and found that though the names had been sent to the printer in alphabetical order, the order had been changed there as it is now on the ballot. When the proof came from the printer it was submitted to the city attorney, who examined it and passed it as being in the proper form. It was then printed by order of the auditor.

It is not known whether Mr. Chambers has any legal recourse at this time.

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UNCLE SAM SEEKS OCEAN CARRIER

Pacific Mail Cancels Panama Service—Private Line Wants Terms.

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, June 2.—Panama service of the Pacific Mail Steamship company will be abandoned August 3, according to information received from Washington and confirmed here today.

Negotiations have been entered into with the shipping firm of Bates & Chesbrough here to handle the business but H. S. Bates said today that they were not willing to enter into an agreement unless the port charges at L. Boca were reduced. Bates claims that while the Pacific Mail has been paying 15,000 tons of freight through the port he could guarantee 75,000 and he demands that the charges be reduced correspondingly.

The eight steamers of the Pacific Mail now making the Panama run will probably be used in the South American and Central American coffee trade. These vessels are the Pennsylvania, recently purchased to replace the wrecked Indiana, and the San Jose, San Juan, Newport, Acapulco, City of Sidney, City of Para and Peru.

ROOSEVELT THANKS HIS BRITISH HOSTS

Nairobi, British East Africa, June 2.—With preparations completed to leave tomorrow for Sotik, Colonel Roosevelt today called on Governor Jackson of British East Africa to bid him good bye.

Colonel Roosevelt expressed his appreciation of the courtesies that have been extended to him and his party during his stay in this district and thanked him heartily for the hospitality shown by him and other public officials.

The sport during Roosevelt's stay here has been excellent, and the naturalists with the party have been kept busy mounting the specimens that are to be sent to the United States.

Both the Colonel and Kermit appear to have become thoroughly acclimated and display keen zest for the daily side trips in search of trophies.

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TRUSTED BANK CLERKS TAKE \$130,000

National Bank Examiner Gatch Uncovers Embezzlements Extending Over a Period of Five Years at Lewiston, Idaho.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Lewiston, Idaho, June 2.—The sensational announcement of the defalcation in the Lewiston National bank, implicating Clarence Robnett, the bookkeeper, and J. E. Chapman, the teller, both recently let out of the bank, is corroborated by National Bank Examiner Claude Gatch, who is in the city. The total of the defalcation amounts to \$130,000 and the embezzlements have been going on for a period of five years.

Robnett left the bank the first of the year and is engaged in promoting the sale of the Spokane orchard tracts, an investment now known to have been made from funds purloined from the Lewiston National. Robnett has more recently figured in a sensational story sent out from Pittsburg, where, it is charged, he issued checks on his Spokane account which he knew was overdrawn. When last heard of he was at St. Paul, en

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MARINERS DISPERSE PHILADELPHIA MOB THAT ATTACKS CAR

(United Press Leased Wire.) Philadelphia, June 2.—Several men were injured today when 75 workmen whom the police allege to be employees of the navy yard attacked a trolley car manned by strikebreakers. The motorists were taken by a brick and every window in the car was shattered by a volley of stones. Two policemen were stationed on either end of the car

When the rioters started the bombardment the policemen fired into the air. The fight grew furious and marines from the League Island navy yard were called to disperse the mob. More cars are running today than at any time since the strike began. Charges that the car company attempted to bribe officials of the union were denied today at the car company's office.

TROOPS READY FOR RIOT CALL

Situation in McCloud Lumber Region Is Critical—Guard Officer at the Scene Asks for Four Companies of Militia.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Sacramento, Cal., June 2.—Companies E and G, Second Infantry, of the National Guard, are in marching trim and ready to leave at a moment's notice for the McCloud region, the scene of the lumber strike. Adjutant General Lauck said this morning that Colonel A. W. Bradbury advised last night that it would be necessary for four companies of militia to march at once to the troubled region before order could be restored. It is to be noted that no further word had been received by General Lauck. He was expecting any moment to receive further advice that would make necessary the order to march.

The militia here are armed with guard and ball cartridges and in days' provisions. Governor Gillett said this morning that he had no further word from the troubled section. Therefore I have as yet heard no further word from the troubled section. Therefore I want to take any action (1) something definite comes from the McCloud county, (2) I have not heard since last night from Colonel Bradbury. I believe the sheriff up there has not been able to get any further word from the militia to be in readiness to quell the rioting, they will calm down. The additional word is in readiness, however, for immediate marching.

San Francisco, June 2.—Orders issued by the McCloud Lumber company at McCloud, Cal., where the striking lumbermen are reported to be in a dangerous mood, prevented any news to the situation there being given out early today. The lumber company owns the telephone line and the operator stated that he was not allowed to say anything regarding the situation further than that there had not been any rioting.

The manager of the lumber company flatly refused to make any statement over the telephone, and Colonel A. W. Bradbury, who was sent to investigate the situation, stated that any information must come from Governor Gillett or Adjutant General Lauck.

Because of the reticence of the lumber company officials the belief is growing here that the situation at the lumber town is much more serious than has been indicated heretofore.

The report of Colonel Bradbury in this regard is being watched with anxious interest and it is expected will ask that troops be sent to the scene at once.

McCloud Strikers Parade and Utter Threats of Death

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, June 2.—Strikers at McCloud are parading the streets and uttering threats of death against any

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AVIATORS DIFFER AS TO ZEPPELIN

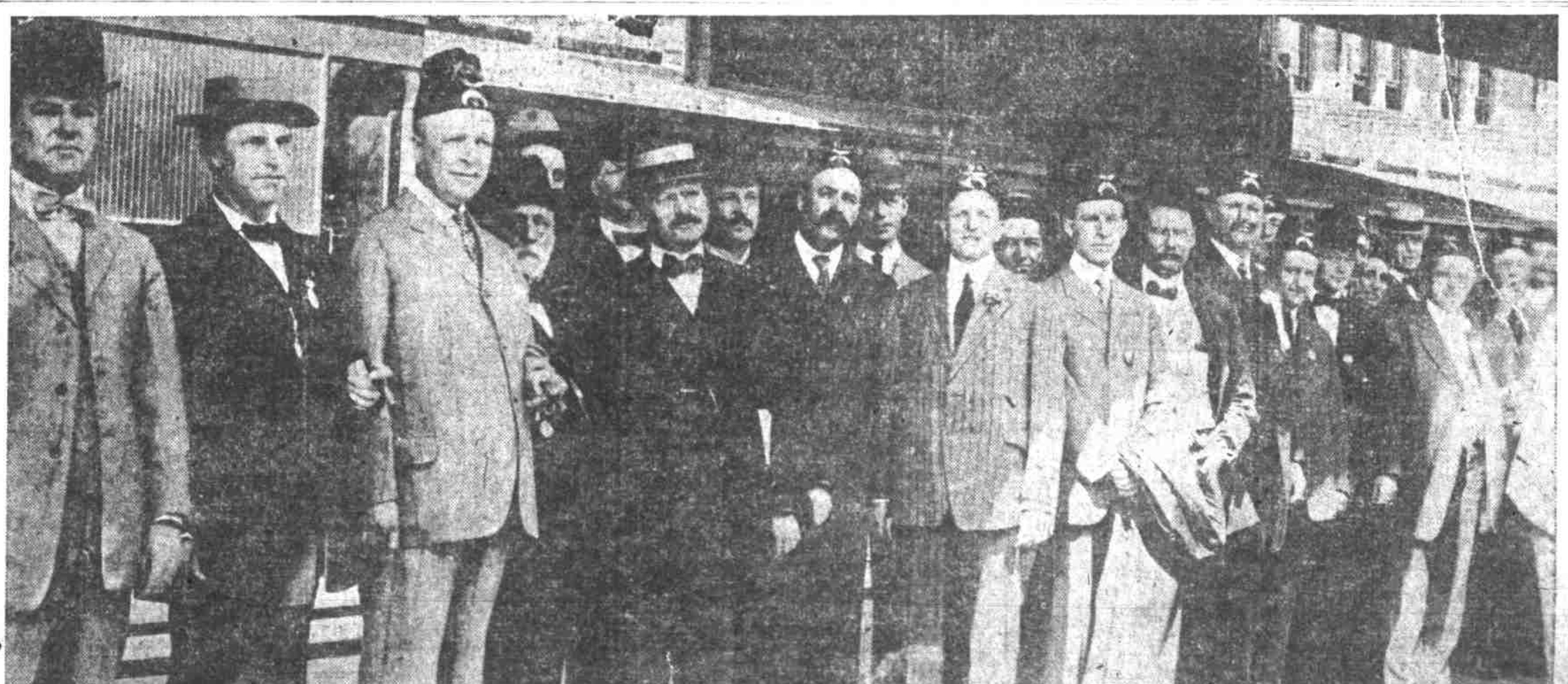
Knabenshue Says His Ship Is All Right; Davidson Says All Wrong.

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, June 2.—Count Zeppelin's record flight of 850 miles in his air craft caused the expression today of dissenting opinions by local students of aeronautics. Roy Knabenshue, exponent of the dirigible balloon method of aerial navigation, lauds Zeppelin's performance as the most remarkable in the records of aerial navigation.

Professor George Davidson, of the University of California, student of aeronautics for more than a quarter of a century, decries the dirigible craft and avers that its uncertainty precludes its practicability.

"The aeroplane is restricted," said Knabenshue, "and it is artificial. It is through it an extended flight is impossible. More than two men cannot travel safely in one. I regard Zeppelin's feat as remarkable and think it means more than the work of all other aviators put together."

I am going to have a big dirigible airship similar to Zeppelin's. It will cost \$150,000, and I hope to have it built by the first of the coming year. Davidson is firm in his advocacy of the aeroplane.



Nobles of the Mystic Shrine Start on Journey to Louisville, Ky.

SHRINERS OFF FOR THE EAST

Close to 100 Nobles From Northwest Cities Leave For Louisville.

Close to 100 nobles of the Mystic Shrine gathered from Pacific Northwest cities this morning for a session of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Order of Shrines at Louisville, Ky. Early this morning the delegates and travelers from Seattle, Tacoma, Spokane and other Puget sound cities reached the union depot and were taken to the Portland hotel, where they were entertained by Portland members of the order.

At 10 o'clock the special train provided for the travelers left the depot bound for Cedar Rapids, where special entertainment will be given the tourists while they rest at these two stages of their journey.

John Annand, W. Davis, C. E. Fields and W. C. Bristol will represent the Kader temple in the council session. Although there were close to 100 well known members of the order from Portland west on the trip.

Geost preparations have been made by Louisville Shriners for the entertainment of the visiting delegates and their friends. Automobile trips, a race, a visit to the Mammoth cave, a side trip through Kentucky, a trip to the Lincoln monument and a canoe jubilee with a cake walk at 900 congress, are some of the features which have been prepared for the pleasure of the visitors.

The first session of the Imperial council will be held on Monday, June 7.