

GENERAL HOWARD FATHER OF Y. M. C. A.

Noted Soldier Put Real Life Into Local Branch of Organization.

General O. O. Howard, whose death occurred at Burlington, Vt. Tuesday night, is credited by Portland pioneers with giving the local Young Men's Christian association the start which led to its development into the great organization that it is today. General Howard, from 1874 to 1878, while he was stationed at Vancouver barracks, was the leading spirit in the Portland Y. M. C. A., and for at least two years of that period was its president.

The local Y. M. C. A. was organized in 1889, but its growth had been very slow up to the time of General Howard's arrival. Then both he and his aid, Captain M. G. Wilkinson, who had been active Y. M. C. A. workers in Washington, D. C., allied themselves with the movement here and began extending the work and getting far better results than had been gained up to that time.

Soon after General Howard's arrival here he secured the employment of Rev. W. C. Chattin, as paid secretary and quarters were fitted up where men could pass their spare time among healthful surroundings. While the religious work was almost the sole feature, the Y. M. C. A. was soon recognized as one of the most beneficial influences in the city.

"When General Howard came to Portland," said George H. Himes, secretary of the Oregon Historical society, yesterday, "the Y. M. C. A. occupied rooms on First street, between Washington and Alder. One of his first steps was to secure quarters at First and Alder streets, above what was then the largest saloon in Portland. These rooms had been a big gambling house and it created much comment when they were changed into Y. M. C. A. quarters. However, it gave the organization the best opportunity possible to do good in the pioneer city which then had a population not greatly in excess of 4000.

General Howard was always known as a foremost temperance worker, and this was one of the chief functions of the Y. M. C. A. General Howard himself conducted many religious meetings on the street and large numbers of men who were losing their grip on life were brought under his influence and given a new start. Often the meetings were devoted entirely to the temperance cause. The late John F. Caples was a frequent speaker along temperance lines, and temperance workers who visited the city occasionally were always called on to speak before the Y. M. C. A.

"The Y. M. C. A. in those days confined itself almost exclusively to work along religious lines. In the east it had begun to pay some attention to educational and physical activities but these innovations, which have since become so important, had not been introduced here. General Howard, however, seemed to look ahead for he was constantly urging a larger scope of work. It may be said that he started the local Y. M. C. A. along the lines which it is following so successfully today."

Sunday School Convention Ends.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Prosser, Wash., Oct. 28.—The second annual convention of the Sunday schools of Benton county has closed its session here.

Eleven Sunday schools from the various parts of the county were represented. The following were elected as officers for the ensuing year: J. D. Marsh, president; Chester G. McDonald, secretary, both of Prosser, and Miss Sarah Hartman of Klona as treasurer. Churches from the different points in the county pledged about \$75 for the maintenance of the convention, while personal subscriptions ran the amount up to about \$100.

Sweet as the clover blossom and pure as the dewdrop that flecks it, is Piper Fields' champagne flavor chewing tobacco.

MISS R. K. BENDER TALKS OF GUILD

Corresponding Secretary Explains Good Mission of International Body.

Miss R. K. Bender, national corresponding secretary of the Needlework Guild of America, gave an address in the interest of the work in Portland yesterday afternoon at the Y. W. C. A. She has been in the city for the past week and has spent the time in an investigation of the charitable needs of the city. Miss Bender spoke of Portland's freedom from the abject poverty of the east and said that now was the time to watch plans and work to prevent such conditions as are in the east.

Miss Bender then went into the founding of the first guild in England, which has now spread to an international organization. She explained the purpose of the guild, the distribution of new garments to the worthy poor and to the institutions which do charitable work. She also laid special stress upon the fact that the organization is absolutely non-sectarian. She said the name guild was the cause of misunderstanding and frequently worked against the interest of the guild because people thought it was affiliated with some church.

Miss Bender spoke also of the splendid investigation in all charity work. He referred to the splendid charity management in Denver and expressed the willingness of the ladies of his church to aid in furthering the work of the guild.

The Visiting Nurses association was represented by Mrs. Millie C. Trumbull, who spoke of the splendid work of the guild and applied the term "Result Test" in reference to its work. She said the value of clean, new garments could not be over estimated but urged a thorough investigation in all charity work. Superintendent W. T. Gardner of the Boys' & Girls' Aid society, said that in almost every case received all of the children's clothing had to be burned and the institution had no way to supply more unless it was donated. He told of the valuable assistance that the guild had given them in the past but said that they needed just 1200 more garments than the guild had ever been able to furnish them.

Mrs. James E. Reed, president, presided and at the close of the addresses an informal reception was held so that those present could meet and talk with Miss Bender.

The Needlework guild will give its annual tea and exhibition of garments at the Unitarian chapel, Seventh and Yamhill streets, on November 10. Garments or household linen may be sent by members, or non-members, to the following ladies: Mrs. James Laidlaw, 466 Holladay ave.; Mrs. E. S. Hamilton, 63 North Twenty-second street; Mrs. William Jones, 751 Flanders street; Miss Felling, Fifth and Taylor streets; Miss K. Gile, 770 Flanders street; Mrs. W. C. Alvord, 205 King street; Miss A. Creman, 408 Twelfth street; Mrs. Herbert Holman, 787 Overton street; Mrs. William Brewster, 808 Lovejoy street; Mrs. Tillie A. Sherman, 442 East Fifteenth street, north; Mrs. W. F. Woodward, 609 Hancock street; Mrs. A. Bernstein, 778 Overton street; Mrs. Hannah Robertson, Fifth and Taylor streets.

Inspectors at East St. Louis.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
St. Louis, Oct. 28.—Chief Inspector Steadman of the bureau of animal industry and four assistants have arrived at East St. Louis for the purpose of investigating several packing plants located there. The investigation follows the alleged discovery of thousands of pounds of diseased meats which had been shipped to neighboring cities.

NOLTA KICKS AND MAKES IT GOOD

Says Albina Wants Brick Firehouse and Not a Wooden One.

"I am authorized by three or four improvement clubs to appear before you today and remind you that the people of Albina have been promised a brick fire engine station by this administration," angrily exclaimed J. H. Nolta of the North Albina Improvement association to the fire committee of the executive board yesterday afternoon.

"And I want to say to you further," continued the excited elder, "that we will take nothing else. You promised us a brick engine house and we want to be put off with a wooden one. We want brick or nothing." Somewhat taken aback by the unexpectedness of the speech the committee mildly remonstrated that such vehemence was unnecessary, but they could not deny the impeachment implied.

Councilman Ellis supported Mr. Nolta's contention that the district needs a brick engine house and needs it right away. Chief Campbell was asked if such a building could be put up for \$13,000, the amount available for its construction. The chief's reply was that it might be possible if the money were economically used. The committee decided to give North Albina a brick firehouse. The committee also ordered \$750 feet of new hose after nearly a dozen bids had been considered. The contract was divided amongst four bidders. The prices paid will aggregate something more than \$3000.

SUCCESS DELAYS MUSICAL COMEDY

So successful has been the run of "Lo," the new musical comedy by O'Henry, in the Puget sound cities that its appearance in Portland has been postponed until week after next at the Bungalow, instead of next week.

Halloween Delights.

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SOLDIERS AND CIVILIANS EAT

That good feeling which has long been notable between the city of Portland and the officers and men stationed at Vancouver barracks was exemplified last night by a dinner given the officers of the barracks by the Portland Commercial club. The keynote of the speeches that followed the dinner was the retention of the headquarters of the department of the Columbia at Van-

PORTLAND BANK TO HANDLE PAY CHECKS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Prineville, Or., Oct. 28.—E. M. Orth, representing the Lumberman's National bank of Portland, is here arranging for the payment of time and pay checks of the Oregon Trunk railroad, which will be issued by the railway contractors in their construction work in this county.

The principal banks that will be used as clearing houses for these papers are the First National bank of Bend, the Madras State bank and the First National bank of The Dalles, although the State Bank of Redmond and the First National bank of Prineville will honor them.

General Maus, commander of the department of the Columbia, responded to Dr. J. R. Wetherbee's address of welcome. Ex-United States Senator C. W. Fulton spoke on the retention of the headquarters. Father Sherman, a son of General William Tecumseh Sherman, spoke on the good effects of the army upon the nation; Colonel McGunagle paid some deserved compliments to the enlisted soldier. General Anderson spoke on "Where Rolls the Oregon," and Colonel Jackson on "The Vanished Frontier."

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