

Y. M. C. A. HOLDS NEW PRESIDENT SATURDAY HAS HOUSE WARMING HERE TO STAY TOUGH ON CARS

Elaborate Plans Are Laid for Celebration of New Home's Opening.

George B. French, Head of S. P. & S., Pleased With Portland.

Opening of the Draws on Bridges Did Much to Disturb Traffic.

With four ex-presidents on the platform and with all but one of its first officers present, the Young Men's Christian Association, organized 41 years ago, yesterday started on the celebration of opening week in its new home, corner of Seventh and Taylor streets. Although the association has been in its new quarters for some time it was not fully completed till last week. It is to be shown to the public this week.

Every day from 10 o'clock on the building is to be open to public inspection. Members will be ready at all times to show the visitors through the various departments. Each day has been set aside as a special day under the heads of Old Members' day, which was yesterday; Workers' day, today; Subscribers' day, tomorrow; Ladies' day, Wednesday; Educational day, Friday; and Boys' day, Saturday. Tuesday, Subscribers' day, is expected to be the big day of the week.

Seven thousand Portland people subscribed to the building fund of the Y. M. C. A., and many more are regular subscribers to the current expenses of the association. Invitations have been sent out to each of these subscribers and many of them are expected to visit the building during the day. A banquet is to be served to representatives of the press of Portland at 12:15.

The meeting of the old members of the Young Men's Christian Association yesterday was a great success. It was unusual, too, in that the oldest and the youngest members of the association were present and that both took part in the program. On the platform were three of the first five officers elected by the association—E. Quackenbush, the former president; James Steele, the first corresponding secretary, and R. S. Aiken, the first recording secretary. R. K. Warren, the second president of the association, and who was president of the association for five years, also was on the platform. Mr. Warren gave an interesting history of the association from the first meeting up till the present day.

The meeting was called to order by E. Quackenbush. Brief religious services were held and the first speakers were called upon in turn. They were: R. K. Warren, D. W. Wakefield, J. K. Gill, George H. Himes, E. C. Fost, J. E. Hazeltine, C. H. Dodd, James Steele and F. S. Aiken. The history of the organization was told by Mr. Warren.

The association was first organized March 31, 1868, in the Presbyterian church. A meeting of the young men of the city was called for on that date and a large number of them responded to the call. Officers, with E. Quackenbush as president, were elected and the association became a reality. First quarters were secured over the Ladd & Tilton bank, corner of First and Stark streets, under a three year lease. In 1875 the association moved, this time to the corner of First and Alder streets.

Shortly after this an agitation was started for a larger and better building and an effort was made to secure sufficient funds to build. But \$50,000 of the necessary \$75,000 was secured, however, and the movement failed. Soon afterward the movement was again taken up, however, and the association moved into the building at the corner of Fourth and Yamhill streets, where they remained up till last September. Today's program included a number of committee lunches at noon and an even greater number of them at 6:15. At 8 o'clock this evening the annual budget meeting will be held. Expenses for the coming year will be given and the budget made up. It will be held. The celebration lasts all week.



George B. French, President of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle.

George B. French, the new president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle, arrived in Portland from Chicago last night and this morning began actively to take up the duties of his new office. A stack of correspondence and executive work that was desk high had piled up awaiting Mr. French's arrival and he went at it shortly before noon, leaving an inspection of the properties of the North Bank in Portland until later. Mr. French made the trip over the line of which he has become the head by daylight, leaving Spokane yesterday morning. He was greatly impressed not only by the excellence of the road itself but by the great wealth of the Pacific coast country and the importance of the line to Portland. "It struck me with particular importance that the North Bank is peculiarly a Portland institution and one built for the benefit of Portland," said Mr. French. "Of course I have just arrived and have had little time to look about me here, but I am astonished and greatly pleased at the great future this part of the country evidently has before it."

MAN IN PRISON; WIFE IN WANT

Mrs. Charles F. Freeman Pleads for Release of Husband.

Torn from his wife at a time when she most needed his presence and support, Charles F. Freeman is held in the military prison at Vancouver to satisfy a former sentence against him for desertion from the army. Meanwhile his deserted wife, who is a consumptive, is starving amid utmost squalor in a dark basement room of a rooming house at 68 Seventh street south. Although she has petitioned Brigadier General Maus, commanding the department of the Columbia, to free her husband, she can do nothing for her until orders come from Washington in regard to the disposal of the case.

Two years ago Freeman escaped from Fort Monroe where he had been sentenced to two years' imprisonment and soon after met his wife in Denver, where he married her. At the time of the marriage he told her that he was the son of a prominent Boston family and that he had served the full term of his sentence for desertion. Since coming to Portland he has worked as a swimming instructor at the Oaks. Two weeks ago Freeman came home at night accompanied by an officer who allowed him to bid his wife good-bye and then took him to Vancouver. It seems that he had been drinking and had boasted of his escape from prison. Some one informed Deputy Sheriff Bulger, and the arrest resulted. Mrs. Freeman has relatives in Los Angeles but has not heard from them in several years. She is ill and unable to earn her own living.

TRUST CASE WILL BE IN COURT TOMORROW

Presiding Judge Bronough will not announce his rulings on the demurrers to the Oregon Trust & Savings case in decisions before tomorrow, the stress of other work having prevented his finishing examination of the points involved. He expects to be able to give his decision tomorrow.

An average of 13 persons a day who eat the railroads of the country for footpads pay for the practice with their lives.

Reports gathered by the Portland Railway, Light & Power company showing the delays in bridge lines caused by open draws on last Saturday show that there were more delayed cars on that day than any since the company began to keep track of the opening and closing of the draws.

For the 12 hours between 6:30 a. m. and 6:30 p. m. the three bridges were closed nine hours and eight minutes, while 617 cars were delayed.

The Burnside bridge had the worst record for the day, with its draw open three hours and 45 minutes, and with 279 cars delayed. The Morrison bridge was open two hours and 16 minutes and 248 cars were delayed, while the steel bridge was open three hours and 43 1/2 minutes and 190 cars were delayed.

The longest delay to the Burnside bridge was eight and one half minutes. The steel bridge had a delay of 12 minutes in the middle of the afternoon, which delayed 16 cars. The Morrison had one of 12 1/2 minutes at 10 in the morning, which delayed 13 cars, and one at 6 in the evening that delayed 26 cars, with several that delayed from 12 to 17 cars.

LUMBER CONCERN WINS OLD CASE

Clause in Fire Insurance Policy Left Room for Exception.

Closing a long series of litigation and argument, Federal Judge R. S. Bean, in United States district court today, overruled the demurrer to the bill of complaint in the case of the Tillamook Lumber company against the London & Liverpool Globe Insurance company. The action is one on the part of the mill company to collect insurance on its plant, which was burned last summer. In the policy of insurance a watchman's clause was contained providing that when the mill was idle or inoperative, watchmen should be kept constantly on duty. On the Sunday the plant was burned no watchman was in charge and the insurance company refused payment. It being proved that the mill had been run in the past only on week days and not at night or on Sunday, Judge Bean decided that the clause did not hold good.

BAY CITY CRITICS ARE KIND TO DR. WULLNER

"Dr. Ludwig Wullner, who proved himself to be an emotional singer such as San Francisco never before has heard in all its musical history, was accorded an ovation by the audience that packed the Novelty theatre last night," says the San Francisco Chronicle of November 24.

"About Dr. Wullner there has been perhaps more discussion than over any other musical celebrity of the day. He showed himself to be a great singer. A perfect storm of applause followed his marvelous presentation of the Strauss 'Das Lied des Steinklopfers,' which was as near to perfection of dramatic art as it is possible to realize. And the same composer's 'Cacilie' showed him equally great in the singing of an intense love song.

"But of all the splendid numbers by Brahms, Wolf and Schumann, perhaps the 'Two Grenadiers' represented him at his greatest. His was not only a colossal interpretation, but it seemed nothing short of inspiration. Here he certainly rose to the heights, if singer ever reached there."

These two songs will be sung by Wullner at his Portland concert Wednesday night, December 15, at the Masonic temple, West Park and Yamhill, under the direction of Lois Steers-Wynn Coman. Seats are now selling at Eilers Piano House.

New Corporations.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)
Salem, Or., Dec. 13.—Articles of incorporation were filed in the office of secretary of state today as follows:

The Cornell Ranch company, principal office, Woodville; capital stock, \$10,000; incorporators, Robert B. Reed, Eleanor M. Reed and John S. Orth.
P. C. Lavey & Co., principal office, Portland; capital stock, \$250,000; incorporators, P. C. Lavey, H. H. Fisher, C. H. Malheur and Apple company, principal office, La Grande; capital stock, \$48,000; incorporators, Ray W. Logan, A. Davis and B. Logan.

The Pacific Custom Tailors, principal office, Portland; capital stock, \$20,000; incorporators, Carl Nau, Carl Hummel and Charles J. Schnabel.
Portland Law School, incorporators, Irving E. Richardson, W. A. Dickson and C. M. Richardson.
Standard Metals company, principal office, Portland; capital stock, \$100,000; incorporators, T. T. Geer, H. J. Bigger and H. W. Bailey.
The Evangelical Lutheran Zion congregation of Mackaburg, Clatsop county, Inc., Or., incorporators, Gustav Henke, Charles Kranberger and F. J. Kranberger.

War Veterans Elect.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)
Salem, Or., Dec. 13.—Hal Hibbard camp No. 61, Spanish-American War Veterans, elected officers for the ensuing year at a meeting Saturday evening as follows: Commander, Eber D. Mossie; champion, J. B. Chenoweth; officer of the day, George W. Oliver; officer of the guard, Frank Gard; trustee of the guard, Frank Gard; trustee, Everett B. Millard.

Freight Boats Aground.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 13.—Two large freighters are aground in Lake St. Clair off Grosse Pointe. Their names are not known. Immediately on receipt of news of their predicament a tug was dispatched to move the vessels from their perilous positions. The tug is reported to have gone aground at the same point.

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POSSIBLE CLUE IN ALMA KELLNER CASE

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Louisville, Dec. 13.—The sixth day since Alma Kellner was spirited away by kidnapers brought no knowledge of her whereabouts and found Mrs. Frederick Kellner, the mother, in a critical condition of collapse. The father also is showing the terrific strain under which he has been laboring.

Interest in the case centers in the pursuit of a mysterious couple with a child answering the description of Alma who have been seen in southern Indiana during the past few days. People who have seen them say they stated they were traveling to Covington, Ky., and that the child was their grandchild.

Members of the family assert that no demand for ransom has been received and that they have received no message from the kidnapers.

INVENTS AUTO THAT RUNS WITHOUT FUEL

Bhendosh, Pa., Dec. 13.—William Matrolia of New Philadelphia, Pa., here, claims to have invented an automobile that runs without fuel, generating its power of propulsion from the air while the machine is in motion. For three years Matrolia has been working on the problem behind closed doors, and has now announced that he has perfected his invention.

The car, he explains, gathers its power from the atmosphere through the application of new mechanical principles. His invention, he says, will revolutionize the automobile industry.

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The Crockery department was fortunate in snapping up a large stock of one pattern—a dainty rose and gold decoration. The reductions are noteworthy.

- 35c Pickle Dishes at, ea. 20c
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- 30c Bowls at, each 20c
- 35c Platters, 8-in., each 20c
- 35c Scallops, 6-in., each 20c
- 40c Individual Butter Dishes, set of 6, at, set 25c
- 40c Cream Pitchers, ea. 25c
- 50c Scallops, 7-in., each 35c
- 60c Bakers, 7-in., at, ea. 35c
- 60c Sauce Boats at, ea. 40c
- 60c Platters, 10-in., each 40c
- 65c Sauce Dishes, set 6 45c
- 75c Scallops, 8-in., each 55c
- 75c Bakers, 8-in., each 55c
- 75c Sauce Dishes, set 6 55c
- 75c Plates, 4-in., set of 6 55c
- 90c Plates, 5-in., set of 6 65c
- 80c Sugar Bowls at, ea. 60c
- 1.00 Platters, 12-inch 70c
- 1.10 Oatmeal Dishes, set of six 80c
- 1.15 Plates, set of 6 85c
- 1.25 Covered Butter Dishes, set of 6 1.00
- 1.50 Tea Cups and Saucers, set of 6 1.00
- 1.90 Coffee Cups and Saucers, set of 6 1.35
- 1.50 Platters, 14-inch 1.15
- 1.40 Plates, 7-inch, set of 6 1.10
- 1.50 Plates, 8-inch, set of 6 1.15
- 1.85 Covered Casseroles at each 1.45

Library Tables—Bookcases

A Sale that offers exceptional opportunities for Christmas buying

- \$33 Library Table Reduced to \$24.50—A Colonial pattern in all quarter-sawn golden oak and in the dull finish.
- \$49.50 Bookcase Reduced to \$28.75—This piece shows best selected stock of quarter-sawn golden oak. It is 56 inches high and 40 inches wide; 2 doors of beveled glass.
- \$46 Library Table Reduced to \$29.50—An attractive design in the golden oak, with shaped leg and the carved ball-and-claw feet. Has four drawers fitted with glass knobs.
- \$60.00 Bookcase Reduced to \$38.50—62 inches high and 43 inches wide, a distinctive design which also shows best case work and selected stock of quartered golden oak.
- \$56.00 Bookcase Reduced to \$34.50—An attractive design showing best case work and all quarter-sawn stock in golden oak. Trimmings are of dull brass.
- \$55 Library Table Reduced to \$33.50—Entirely of mahogany, 50 inches long, with two drawers and lower shelf.
- \$77.50 Library Table Reduced to \$49.50—A handsome colonial style of all mahogany. Has three drawers.
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- \$2.50 White Curtains, 2-pair lot, at \$1.25 pair
- \$2.25 White Curtains, 1-pair lot, at \$1.15 pair
- \$3.25 White Curtains, 1-pair lot, at \$1.50 pair
- \$3.50 White Curtains, 1-pair lot, at \$1.75 pair
- \$3.50 Ecru Curtains, 1-pair lot, at \$1.75 pair
- \$3.50 Ecru Fillet Curtains, 1-pair lot, at \$1.75 pair
- \$4.00 Ecru Cluny Curtains, 1-pair lot, at \$2.00 pair

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