

TRADE DOOR NOW OPEN; CITY MUST ACT IMMEDIATELY

Southwest Washington Offers Chance to Local Merchants Says Chapman of Promotion Committee.

That the time is ripe for Portland manufacturers and jobbers to concentrate their selling efforts on southwest Washington is the gist of a trade bulletin issued yesterday by Manager Chapman of the promotion committee of the Commercial club. He calls attention to the lack of sympathy existing between that territory and Puget sound cities and contrasts this with the warm feeling for Portland.

The iron is hot and now is the time to strike, declares Manager Chapman. The refusal of legislation that would give southwest Washington the Pacific Highway is said to be the culmination of a long series of incidents calculated to cool the ardor of that district for the chief cities of its own state. Disappointment over the highway measure has brought the ill feeling to a head.

Sound Cities Boycotted.

It is reported that practically a trade boycott exists against the Puget sound cities in some quarters. A long distance conversation at the Commercial club yesterday brought out the information that orders amounting to \$31,000 placed with firms of a Puget sound city had been cancelled by one town alone. A caller at the club told of conditions in two other cities where Puget sound was being more or less boycotted, while a strong feeling of friendship exists for Portland.

A series of unfortunate occurrences are said to be responsible for Puget sound's lack of popularity in southwest Washington. Portland people in touch with the situation say that the chief cities of western Washington have failed to rise to the occasion as they should, and there has been a lack of cooperation that has caused relations, naturally friendly, to be strained.

A case in point is given in the arrangement of conflicting dates for a fair in a Puget sound city at the time of the southwest Washington fair. Invitations to people of the latter section to attend the fair on Puget sound were not productive of good will, and this feeling was still further aggravated when a delegation from a Puget sound commercial club invited southwest Washington representatives to a banquet, but when the date arrived no banquet was given, no arrangements had been made and the visitors met with a cool reception.

No Results Accomplished.

Requests are said to have been made that the cities to the north pay more attention to southwest Washington in their advertising, and although promises have been made from time to time, no tangible results have been accomplished. Puget sound people are reported when they go down to the southwest part of the state make stirring talks on the growth of their own cities, but they are silent upon what is being done for that section of the state lying between Puget sound and the Columbia river.

The present situation is readily understood when this treatment is contrasted with the attitude of Portland toward the section affected. Southwest Washington occupies the position of a girl with two suitors, the one indifferent and the other attentive and considerate. The resulting feeling of friendship for Portland is the most natural thing in the world.

Portland has helped southwest Washington continually. The Commercial club has realized it lies right at Portland's door and that the river cannot cut it off from this city's influence. Portland has advertised southwest Washington until the people have become Portland boosters. Manager Chapman yesterday. "We have had our speakers all through the territory and have sought to learn how we could be of service to that section. We have not been booming Portland, but fraternizing with southwest Washington, but have really tried to find how we could help its people, knowing that in doing that we were also helping ourselves.

Advertising carried by the Portland Commercial club in the east includes southwest Washington advantages as well, and names coming to us asking about that section are forwarded to the clubs throughout southwest Washington so they may send full information. Just the same, the city of Oregon Development league work is handled in our own state. Delegations who come to Portland from southwest Washington receive help, and the feeling toward this city is very warm. We hope the cordial relations will continue."

Trade Bulletin.

The trade bulletin issued by Manager Chapman yesterday follows: "Right now is the psychological moment to concentrate selling effort on southwest Washington.

Our competing cities are more or less under a boycott throughout the southwest Washington territory. This is the logical result of their failure to do exactly what Portland has been doing—paying attention to development matters in that section.

The Portland Commercial club has been advertising southwest Washington, referring inquiries and aiding in populating the country.

The club has done nothing toward discrediting Portland's competitors, but has cultivated the friendship of all southwest Washington by doing practical things for that region.

Advise your sales managers and southwest Washington salesmen to talk Portland Commercial club methods. They will find a ready response and abundant enthusiasm.

If there ever was a time to strike when the iron is hot it is right now. Many thousands of dollars of business can be secured all through this territory by simply going after it.

The newspapers of southwest Washington are sounding Portland's praises. The banks are lining up the business interests, advocating trading with Portland.

The business men have been thoroughly aroused through their commercial organizations to appreciate what Portland has done for their country.

Orders placed with merchants and manufacturers of two other cities are being cancelled because of the alleged neglect of southwest Washington.

Regard this office at your service to give your sales managers and salesmen direct pointers on local situations."

Babies Have to Go.

If you ever expect to possess the most elegant type of musical instrument, namely a baby grand, a royal consistency, and you now at our clearing-out sale. See announcement "We're Making It An Object," page 4 of this issue.

GOOD ROADS IS STILL LIFE ISSUE

Believed Amendment Adopted In November Probably Useless.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Salem, Or., March 18.—As a guide for the preparation of future good roads legislation which it is intimated will be placed before the people by initiative at the general election in 1914, the executive committee of the state grange, consisting of State Master O. E. Spence of Canby, A. I. Mason of Hood River and C. L. Shaw, have propounded the following questions to the attorney general:

"First—Has any county in the state of Oregon the power to call a special election under section 10, article 11, as amended in 1909, for the purpose of creating a debt for the building of permanent roads, either with money derived by voting bonds or issuing county warrants beyond \$5000?"

"Second—Can the county courts issue county warrants beyond \$5000 indebtedness for the purpose of building permanent roads without obtaining a majority vote of the people at a general or special election?"

The attorney general has held in a former opinion that the counties of the state can issue warrants of indebtedness beyond \$5000 for good roads without further legislation, but there is a string to this opinion, in the last clause of the amendment to the constitution adopted last November, which reads as follows: "But debts for permanent roads shall be incurred only on approval of a majority of those voting on the question."

This has raised, then, the further question in the minds of the executive committee of the state grange, whether the counties can call special elections for the purpose of learning the majority sentiment as to the issuance of warrants in excess of \$5000 for good roads.

It is believed by the grange that Attorney General Crawford will hold that the counties have no authority to call special elections or any other special election, except the power expressly given them by the legislature, and in that event the good roads amendment adopted last November is useless without an enabling act giving the counties authority to call road bonding elections.

WOMAN'S REVENGE COSTS \$150 FINE

Mrs. Charbonneau Dealt With in Court at Seattle for Flogging Raser.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, March 18.—Mrs. Beilinda Charbonneau, 5 feet 2, one of the best known women in Alaska and chief owner of the Dome City bank, was fined \$150 in police court today for flogging Augustus Raser, a 6 foot Alaskan, six weeks ago.

James Wickersham, delegate to congress from Alaska, paid the fine. Raser told very briefly of the whipping. Mrs. Charbonneau was in court but did not go on the stand.

The Charbonneaus' second sister married Jesse Noble, president of the Dome City bank, three years ago. She got a divorce recently. It was for this, according to the statement of Mrs. Charbonneau's attorney in his address to the court, that Noble got Raser, a former employe, to start suit against Margaret Mulrooney, Mrs. Charbonneau's youngest sister, charging embezzlement.

"You're a pretty small woman to whip so big a man," said Prosecutor White to Mrs. Charbonneau. The woman smiled grimly, while Miss Mulrooney laughed aloud.

CUPID "COMES BACK," AGED PAIR REMARRIED

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Forest Grove, Or., March 18.—Cupid, the forest god, has demonstrated his ability to "come back." The powers of the little rogue were vindicated Thursday at Vancouver, Wash., the Gretna Green of all true lovers, when Professor Ernest Haverstroh and Mrs. Lore Haverstroh, elderly residents of the thriving little town of Cornelius, midway between this city and Hillsboro, were joined in the holy bonds of matrimony for the second time within a couple of years.

The aged couple had both been married a number of times before their meeting, but had lost their partners. It was a case of love at first sight, and after a quiet trip to the minister which made the happy twin one, they began housekeeping in a pretty little bungalow. Dissensions arose, however, and the little winged god flew out the window and hung his harp on the willows. The estrangement resulted in the courts severing the tie that bound, and for several months the couple lived "each to themselves alone," but the love they thought dead proved only to have been moribund, and with all forgiven and forgotten, they have once more set sail together on life's tempestuous sea.

Professor Haverstroh is a deep student of oriental mysticism, and has specialized in the branches of palmistry, hypnotism and mesmerism. He has mastered some of the profound secrets of the adepts of the east, and has more than a local reputation for his powers of clairvoyance. He made his home in this city some years ago, and he and his bride visited Forest Grove on their second honeymoon.

KING GEORGE GRACIOUS TO CORONATION GUESTS

(United Press Leased Wire.) London, March 18.—In order to give at least 4,000,000 people a chance to see him during the coronation festivities next June, King George is planning to extend the various processions to as great length as possible. In this way he hopes also to avoid the terrific congestion which it is feared will result. His majesty figures that he will be able to cover 30 miles of streets during the day, with an additional 15 if it is decided to drive in state from Buckingham palace to the Crystal palace on June 30, the day on which he will entertain 100,000 children on his guests.

The cultivation of cotton in Siam is being encouraged by the government.

PEACE PARTY IN JAPAN PROTESTS AGAINST JINGOES

Society Organized to Decry War Feeling in America and Give Assurance That Japan Is Not Hunting Trouble.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Tokio, March 18.—Basing its activities upon a recent declaration by Thomas J. O'Brien, American ambassador to Japan, that there was really no reason for a clash with the United States, the American Peace Society of Japan is training every nerve to prevent the rupture which certain American advisers say is thought probable in the near future.

Speaking at the organization of the society, which has as its membership nearly all the leading Americans in this country, Ambassador O'Brien said: "Let me assure you—and I ought to know something about it—that there is no cause under the sun why there should be distrust between the peoples of these two countries. There are no questions of importance pending and no business being conducted diplomatically which should excite the suspicions or make the slightest trouble as between the two peoples."

Deprecating the possibility of an American-Japanese war, the peace society is starting a letter campaign of education, and declarations are being sent to correspondents in America by the peace society's members, that there is in Japan no feeling other than one of friendship and good-will to the United States.

Peace Society's Resolution.

In one of the letters sent to America is enclosed a copy of a resolution adopted by the peace society at its annual meeting in Yokohama: "Resolved, that in our opinion the people of Japan have at all times entertained the most friendly and cordial sentiments toward the government and the people of the United States, and that there never has been and is not now any feeling other than one of confidence and gratitude. We believe, upon evidence which cannot be doubted, that there is not to be found in the Japanese empire any wish or thought other than to maintain the most friendly and cordial relations with the republic of the United States, and that any representations to the contrary, wherever emanating and from whatever cause proceeding, are baseless calumnies, which, if uncontradicted, can only result in vast material losses to the peoples of both countries and in creating an unhappy prejudice between them."

PIONEER DOES NOT SURVIVE MATE LONG

Mrs. Mary K. Lawson, a pioneer of the Columbia river valley, died Friday afternoon, about seven weeks after the passing of her husband, Henry Lawson. Funeral rites will be held today at 2 p. m. at the residence of Mrs. East Thirty-second street. The body will be taken to the Portland crematorium, where a short service will be given.

For 35 years the Lawsons were one of the leading families of the lumber and farming settlement at Oak Point and Stella, Wash. Then they moved to Portland, where they settled at Oak Point in 1861, having come from Cape Horn direct from Germany. A year later Mary K. Koch immigrated from Germany and was married to him. The Lawsons engaged successfully in all the industries of the lower river settlement, sawmilling, logging, farming and merchandising.

In 1909 Mr. and Mrs. Lawson removed to Portland, and lived in this city until the time of their deaths. Even at their advanced age, Mr. and Mrs. Lawson successfully built, fitted up and occupied four homes in different parts of Portland, each house being to their taste an improvement upon the others.

Declining in health during their last year, Mr. and Mrs. Lawson were constantly attended by two of their daughters, Misses Elizabeth and Marie Lawson. Their son, W. H. Lawson of Ridgefield, has been with them frequently. Mrs. L. Capen, a daughter of Oregon City, was with her mother much during her last sickness.

At the funeral at the family residence today Dr. W. G. Elliott of the Unitarian church will officiate. J. C. Montelth, musical director of the same church, will have charge of the music.

"BETTER PORTLAND" IS TOPIC AT THE Y. M. C. A.

The program to be given at the Young Women's Christian association, Seventh and Taylor streets, this afternoon at 4 o'clock is to be one of unusual interest.

The subject is "A Better Portland." For several days suggestions have been collected from members of the association as to practical things that women can do to make the city better. These suggestions will be discussed this afternoon. The program is in charge of the physical department. Girls of this department will lead in the discussion and will act as hostesses for the afternoon. Music for the program will be directed by Mrs. J. C. Hamilton. All young women are cordially invited.

WEEK'S BANK CLEARING GAIN TO \$700,000; TOTAL IS PORTLAND'S RECORD

Portland's bank clearings for the week ending at noon yesterday are the largest since the clearing house system was established here in the early eighties. The lead over the same week one year ago is nearly \$700,000. Clearings for the week amount to \$13,944,057.33, for the same week in 1910 the figure was \$12,918,744.82. One reason for the heavy business is no doubt the large checks of the heavy taxpayers that were turned over to the sheriff in liquidation of taxes. Added to this is an increase in all lines of business, which is reflected in banking transactions.

Portland and Los Angeles alone of Pacific coast cities showed gains for the week. Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane all slumped.

AVIATOR'S BOMBS TO SAVE COUNTRY

War Correspondent Villiers Says U. S. Unprepared—Warns of Japan.

(United Press Leased Wire.) St. Paul, Minn., March 18.—"The United States is totally unprepared for any big emergency war. Such men as Wilbur Wright will prove to be this country's savior when the time comes for a trial of strength with Japan or any other country. With a small fleet of aeroplanes hovering over the Pacific or the Atlantic it would be impossible for any hostile fleet of warships to land. Under present conditions, however, this country is totally unprepared for any big attack from either shore."

This is the opinion of Frederick Villiers, the veteran war correspondent, who is spending a few days in St. Paul. He is the correspondent of the Illustrated London News and a syndicate of English newspapers. For 30 years he has at various times reported war doings on many continents.

Villiers believes the aeroplane is the panacea for war, particularly for the United States. "It isn't wealth that counts in war," he continued. "It is poverty. The Japanese are poor, and they are seeking to strengthen their position. What are they spending half of their revenue for unless they are looking for trouble? I do not say that they will go to war with the United States. But some day the Japanese will make some kind of demand on this country and this country will either have to grant it and humiliate itself or go to war."

Refrigerating apparatus to quickly cool candies that have been dipped into melted chocolate has been invented by an Ohio confectioner.

O. A. C. ELECTRICAL SHOW INTERESTING

Students Explain to Hundreds of Visitors Mysteries of Subtle Fluid.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, March 18.—Electricity was juggled and manipulated in almost every conceivable manner here last night by student performers for the edification and amusement of hundreds of people who crowded the engineering building and witnessed the first night's performance of the second annual electrical show.

From the time the cry of the hideous electrical squaker announced the opening of the doors until the lights were turned out late at night the rooms were crowded by interested spectators from Corvallis and the neighboring cities.

All the engineering departments and the department of forestry took part in the exhibition, which included a confusing array of scientific apparatus varying from an electric bucking broncho to a baby jumper, all of which were carefully explained and demonstrated by student lecturers.

Such freaks of science as the phantom lamp, the wireless telegraph, the X-ray, the electric ghost, the singing arc, and burning bottles were illustrated and explained. But the freaks were only a part of the big exhibition, the main exhibits being highly instructive and of a nature immensely practical. The mining department demonstrated the mysteries of electro chemistry, and showed the visitors how placer mining was carried on and even exhibited a miniature mine and stamp mill.

The show was planned and managed by members of the student body. The officers in charge of the performance this year are L. V. Hicks, '11, Ashland,

RESTAURANT MEAL POISONS L. D. KIRK

A week ago Lester D. Kirk, 351 East Forty-fourth street, lunched at a downtown restaurant. The next day he was taken ill with pronounced symptoms of ptomaine poisoning. Attended by Dr. Curtis Holcomb, Kirk yesterday to rally Friday morning, but yesterday he became rapidly worse and died in the afternoon.

Kirk was born 33 years ago. He is survived by a wife and two children—Horace, aged 2, and Imogene, aged 4. The funeral arrangements, which have not been made, will likely be under the auspices of the Spanish War veterans. He was a member of Company F, First South Dakota Infantry. His father is R. G. Kirk, mayor of Huntsville, Mo. He had been employed as a shipping clerk by R. M. Wade & Co.

FOREST GROVE WILL BOOST AT PORTLAND

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Forest Grove, Or., March 18.—The board of trade of this city has raised a fund which will be used for the purpose of keeping a man at the union depot in Portland, whose duties will be to meet colonists as they leave the train and tell them of the advantages of Forest Grove and vicinity as a place to live. Booklets will be printed setting forth the superior advantages of this section of Washington county, and these will be distributed.

A meeting will be held next Wednesday evening for the purpose of electing new officers of the board, and at that time it is likely action will be taken looking toward the appointing of a paid secretary to look after the correspondence of the association and to manage a publicity scheme that will be launched in the near future.

ELKS HAVE RAISED \$80,000 AT LAST

Subscriptions of Yesterday Bring Slowly Mounting Total \$1820 Higher.

The wholesale grocers have come generously to the assistance of the Elks campaign for a \$25,000 entertainment fund to be used in showing the B. P. O. Elks of the nation the time of their lives if the grand lodge comes to Portland in 1912. The largest single contributor yesterday was the Perkins Hotel company with \$600. The Portland Creamery board gave \$160; so did the estate of H. W. Corbett. The total for the day was \$1420, and this raised the grand total to \$8,376.56. The total of pledges has been hovering around the \$80,000 mark for some days and the Elks feel relief in saying that it is now approaching \$90,000. The pledges recorded yesterday by 801 businessmen, chairman of the finance committee, are as follows:

Mason, Ebrman & Co.	\$250
Allen & Lewis	250
Wadhams & Co.	250
Oregon City Woolen Mills (Oregon City)	50
Central Wash. Lodge E. P. O. E. No. 1042	100
Paul E. Froehlich	25
F. W. Prapp	25
Coover & Stapleton	15
Watson Restaurant	20
Perkins Hotel company	600
Arthur W. Chance	15
Estate of H. W. Corbett	100
H. Wise	20
Portland Creamery Board	160
George Langford	25

Want a Talking Machine?

Why don't you get a Talking Machine now, at the closing out sale of Elks Music House? See announcement page 4 of this paper, headed "We're Making It An Object."

Monarch \$1.00 Per Week Will Buy a Monarch Range

Think a moment what this means: You can have an indestructible, stay-satisfactory range, with a guaranteed cash value, for the same payment that you would have to make on an ordinary one. Remember, the Monarch was awarded the Gold Medal at the Lewis and Clark Fair and at the Seattle A.-Y.-P. Exposition. The price of a Monarch for ordinary family use is **\$57.00**

