

NEW YORK'S POOR VICTIMS OF COLD, SAYS PORTLANDER

Conditions of Homeless and Needy Pitiful, Asserts Oskar Huber; Roosevelt Willing to Have Choice Forced on Him

It is an interesting story of a seven-weeks trip in the eastern states that Oskar Huber brings back to his friends...

"When I was in New York the weather was severe even for that climate and the suffering among the poor was terrible," said Mr. Huber.

"To the observant man one thing that impresses deeply in New York is the manner in which traffic is handled.

"Great Traffic Arrangements. With the millions of people jamming about the traffic squads keep them going in the direction that each wishes to go with little apparent trouble.

"An odd thing quite noticeable about the large cities, is the idle farm land. Great farms, once prosperous and fertile, are now idle.

"Our western cities compare favorably, I think, with the cities on the Atlantic coast. Of course, any consideration of the eastern cities must not include New York for she stands alone in practically everything.

"Of course I could not return to Portland without going to Washington to see President Taft. I met the president and he talked readily about the west and the people of Portland and of Oregon.

"Senator Bourne courteously showed me about the capital. He told me he is working hard on the parcels post and expects to take the matter to the next session of congress.

"No Fear of Panic. In the manufacturing districts business is reviving. There seems to be no fear of a panic.

"Among thinking people the opinion prevails that a great deal of money has formerly been sent into channels of manufacturing that has been abandoned by the automobile industry.

"People in the east have broader ideas of the Pacific coast than they ever had. They begin to realize that there will be an empire of itself here some day.

DUKE OF FIFE REPORTED TO HAVE DIED IN EGYPT

Toronto, Jan. 29.—A cablegram received here today says the Duke of Fife, brother-in-law of King George V, died in Egypt.

The duke has been suffering with pleurisy and congestion of the lungs, contracted during his exposure on the steamer Delhi when the ship was stranded off Cape Spartel last December.

Alexander William Duff, first Duke of Fife, was born in 1849 and was created in 1889. He married Louise Victoria, sister of King George, in 1889.

T. R. AND WILSON ARE TWO BIG MEN

Tom Hurlburt, Back From the East, Says Those Men Greatest Politically.

"Teddy Roosevelt." That's the name on everybody's lips in the east and south when talk of electing a president comes up, according to City Engineer Tom Hurlburt.

"Everywhere I went," said Mr. Hurlburt today, "the popular topic of political conversation seemed to be Roosevelt. I met people of all ages with whom I chanced to discuss the political issues of the day declared that they looked for a stampee in favor of the 'Big Stick' at the Republican national convention."

"If Roosevelt is not nominated, the next choice of the people, judging from my observations, is Woodrow Wilson. The governor of New Jersey has a strong following all over the country, but especially in the eastern states, the middle west and parts of the south. Kentucky, so far as I could learn, will be sold for Wilson."

"Trip Worth All Its Cost. The city engineer went to New Orleans on a delegate to the National Association of Engineers and the Standardizing of Paving. He says his trip was worth more than the money it cost in its educational value."

"As the result of my attendance at the convention, I am convinced that an immediate and imperative need of this city is a municipal street repair plant. The city has millions of dollars' worth of new pavements, and the maintenance on these, now being taken care of by contractors, will soon expire. The city will then have to repair the hard surface, and a small plant should be provided for at once."

"Up to Date in Paving. In regard to paving, Portland need not be ashamed. This city is more up to date than the majority of cities I visited. In spite of the fact that prices are generally very high here, I compare favorably with prices elsewhere.

"Portland's streets are much cleaner than the streets of a great majority of the cities in this country. I attribute this to the better drainage system we have."

LOWEST MARK TOUCHED IN PAVING BUSINESS

The lowest mark touched in the paving business in Portland since the advent of the present administration is that in the big Skidmore street district improvement, the contract for which has been let to the Alameda Land company under waivers. The price per yard is \$1.50 and the pavement is a modified bitulithic. The Warren Construction company will do the work.

City Engineer Hurlburt, who drew the specifications for the new pavement, says it differs from standard bitulithic only in the base, which will be gravel instead of crushed rock. Mr. Hurlburt says the gravel base has been submitted to exhaustive tests and appears to give as good satisfaction as the crushed rock. The new pavement, it is understood, will be laid only in residential districts.

SHAVAR COMPANY NOT PARTY TO LITIGATION

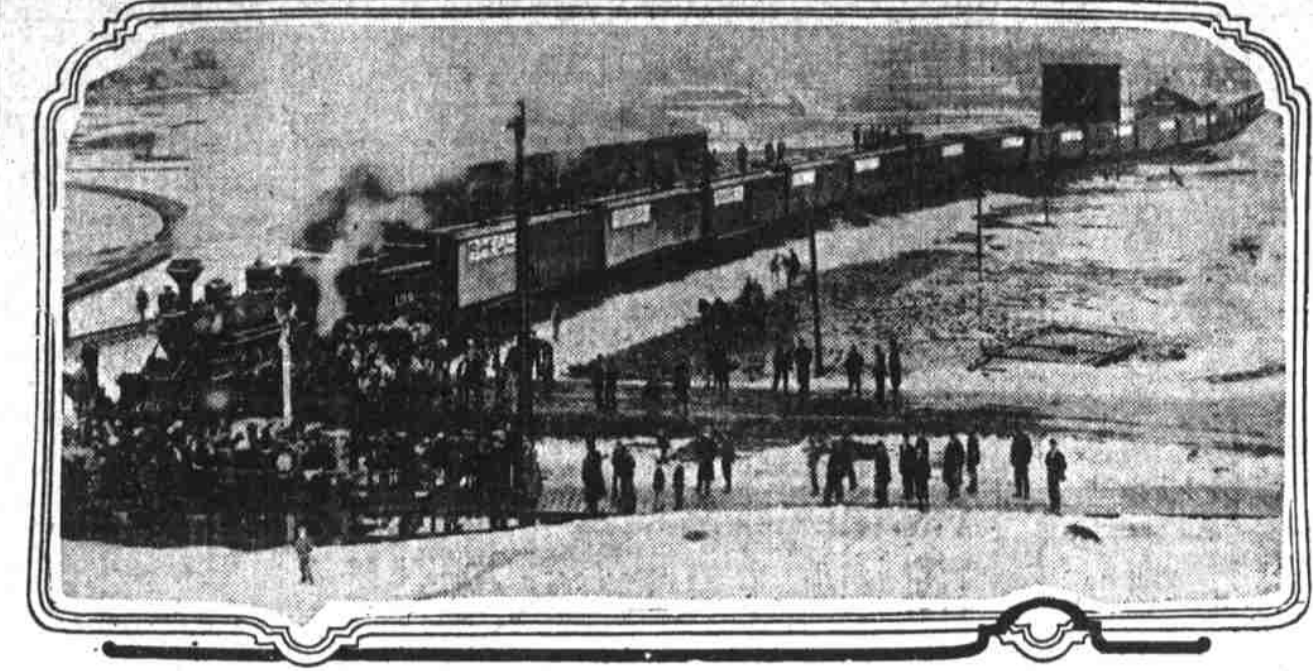
Exceptions sustained in the libel of the Shavar Transportation company and the Oregon Round Lumber company against the steamer company by Judge Wolverton in the United States court this morning remove the Shavar Transportation company as a party to the litigation and lessen the probable damage done from the destruction of the M. F. Henderson by collision with the Sampson. The complaint recites that the Sampson towing one barge, rammed and sank the Henderson, towing three barges. The Henderson, property of the Shavar Transportation company, had been leased to the Oregon Round Lumber company, and by the Oregon Round Lumber company loaned to the Standard Oil company, the barges of which company were being towed by the Henderson at the time of the collision. Judge Wolverton gave it as his opinion that the evidence so far submitted does not show the Henderson to have been totally destroyed as the complaint sets forth; also that evidence at trial must indicate whether the owners of the barge towed by the Sampson at the time of the collision are jointly responsible with the owners of the Sampson for damage to the Henderson.

HOLDS AGREEMENT NOT IN RESTRAINT OF TRADE

That an agreement made by a firm in selling to another to enter the same kind of business during a certain time in a given place, is not illegal or in restraint of trade, was held by Judge Wolverton in the federal court this morning.

The case was that of the Pacific Coast Biscuit company against the Independent Cracker company and Amrose Gantenbein. When the cracker company sold out to the biscuit company its representatives agreed not to go into business in Portland for 20 years, it is said. The complaint of the biscuit company alleges that this agreement has been violated. A demurrer was filed by the cracker company stating that an agreement of this nature is in restraint of trade. In overruling the demurrer, Judge Wolverton indicates the sort of settlement that will await other cases of like nature.

OREGON TOWN SHIPS ENTIRE TRAINLOAD OF POTATOES EAST



A solid trainload of potatoes was shipped from Elgin last week to Kansas City, Mo. The unusual opportunity was taken for advertising purposes and large streamers on the cars announced the origin of the consignment, its destination and its extent.

C. A. SMITH COMPANY BOUGHT C. B., R. & E.

(Special to The Journal.) Conville, Or., Jan. 29.—It is reported that the C. A. Smith Lumber company of Marshfield has purchased the Coos Bay, Roseburg & Astoria, running from Marshfield to Myrtle Point, 28 miles, and that the company intends to extend the line east toward Roseburg this spring to a large tract of timber belonging to it, and later to complete the line through to Roseburg or some point on the Southern Pacific in Douglas county. It is understood that the C. A. Smith company owns timber on the proposed route in both Coos and Douglas counties.

Men in this city, closely in touch with the situation in connection with the Coos Bay, Roseburg & Eastern, are not inclined to believe that the C. A. Smith Lumber company has purchased the line, although it is known that the large timber owning and lumber manufacturing concern is friendly to the railway interests, as the proposed line will tap large bodies of its timber. This timber will furnish the road for years to come with a heavy tonnage. It is understood that the proposition has been practically financed and that construction will be commenced in the near future.

HEAVY DOCKET DELAYS PORTER CHARLTON CASE

(By the International News Service.) Washington, Jan. 29.—That the case of Porter Charlton, who confessed to killing his wife at Lake Como, Italy, in June, 1910, will not be argued for another year, and perhaps two years, is indicated by the heavy docket of the United States supreme court, and by the recent departure of the young man's father, Judge Charlton, to assume his new post, as a member of the insular court of Porto Rico.

Charlton was declared sane by the supreme court of New Jersey and the state department on December 10, 1910, issued a warrant for his surrender to the Italian government. The writ went to the New Jersey courts for argument and it was refused. The lawyers then appealed it to the United States supreme court where it is now. If the writ is sustained, extradition will be refused and the liberation of Charlton ordered.

Judge Charlton is said to have declared, "they will never extradite my son."

PORTLAND-VANCOUVER OWL WRECKED; 8 HURT

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., Jan. 29.—Seven trainmen and one passenger were injured when the locomotive and two cars of the Great Northern "owl" train, running between Portland, Seattle and Vancouver, B. C., were swept off the rails by a landslide near Blaine yesterday. Three of the injured men were taken to a hospital here and the rest went on to Vancouver later in the day. The three worst hurt were Engineer Wall and Fireman Morrow, both of Vancouver, and Clerk Edward Willis of Vancouver. B. C. Wall's shoulder was dislocated and Morrow's leg broken. Willis suffered internal hurts.

WAR OFFICE CONSIDERS REPORT OF WILLAMETTE

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, January 29.—The war department has under consideration the report of the board of engineers recommending the abandonment of the project for the improvement of the Willamette river at Oregon City. Involving the purchase of the canal locks on the east side at a prohibitive price and the condemning of property on the west side. The department seems to think favorably of this plan.

STATE FAIR BOARD IN SESSION AT SALEM

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.) Salem, Or., Jan. 29.—A meeting of the state fair board is in session this afternoon. Included in the business to come before the meeting will be the appointment of members to attend the meeting of officials of the North Pacific Fair association at Walla Walla, Thursday, when the dates for the fairs in the northwest will be set.

GLENN CURTISS GIVEN AERO CLUB TROPHY

Los Angeles, Jan. 29.—Glenn Curtiss received today a telegram from the Aero Club of America informing him that he had been awarded the club's annual trophy for the greatest advance in aviation during the last year. The Curtiss hydroplane is believed to have secured the honor.

ARSENIC HELPED WIFE ROB "OTHER"

Witnesses Will Swear Woman Killed Husband to Deprive "Affinity" of Him.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Scranton, Pa., Jan. 29.—Apparently unmoved by the testimony of her former friends against her at the preliminary hearing on the charge of murdering her husband by administering arsenic to him in his food, Mrs. Minnie Lee of Lansboro is today ready to tell her story of the strange tragedy.

"Rather than see him happy with that other woman, I would follow his body to the grave," witnesses testified she had said to them before her husband's death. Friends say that Mrs. Lee believed her husband's death the lesser of two evils.

Mrs. Rose Sherrick, the "other woman" in the case, will be one of the state's chief witnesses.

Strike Arises Over Buttons.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Sydney, Australia, Jan. 29.—A general strike of all unions has been ordered in Brisbane in support of the street car employees who demand that they be allowed to wear union buttons. The demand was refused by the board of management of the railways.

Cripples Won't Take Murderer's Arm

(United Press Leased Wire.) Paris, Jan. 29.—A one armed man on whom surgeons planned to graft the arm of a dead man refused to accept the limb of a murderer, declaring he never could tell what the arm might do when got into action.

LARGE ATTENDANCE FOR IRRIGATION CONGRESS

The Oregon Irrigation Congress to be held in this city February 19, 20 and 21 will attract a large number of prominent men to Portland, judging from the responses received from all parts of the state by the Portland Commercial club. Letters accepting the invitations sent out a few days ago are now pouring into the office of Promotion Manager C. C. Spelman.

In the letters received this morning, Governor Oswald West, State Treasurer T. B. Kay, State Engineer John H. Lewis and other officials signified their intention of being among those present. E. P. Carter, member of the state legislature, will be one of the Clackamas county representatives. Mr. Carter lives at Gladstone. Claude C. McCulloch, state senator, will be among the representatives from Baker county. A. J. Haney and J. W. Brewer will be here from Redmond and Dan P. Smythe expects to attend as one of the representatives from the Pendleton district.

Memorials Made From Maine.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Jan. 29.—The guns, armor plates and shells recovered from the wreck of the Maine will be utilized for memorials, according to a statement at the navy department tonight. The department has received more than 10,000 requests for relics and a board has been appointed to pass on them. The families of the dead seamen will be given precedence.

Makes Million; Retires.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Jan. 29.—Having made a \$1,000,000 by the practice of law since he quit politics, former Congressman and Governor Frank S. Black, 58, tonight confirmed the reports that he had retired.

TO HOLD PICNIC ON WAY TO PORTLAND

Lewiston Elks to Enjoy Themselves En Route to Reunion; Notes of Other Herds.

An old-fashioned basket picnic on the trip to the grand lodge reunion of the Elks next July is planned by the Elks of Lewiston who are to have a special train of standard steel sleepers, according to the announcement made at a meeting of all of the passenger agents of the O.-W. R. & N. held in this city yesterday morning to perfect preliminary arrangements for the reunion. In all 350 Elks have already signed up for the trip. While the train is stopped for the picnic a regular "jinks" will be held. Pendleton is also making extensive arrangements for the reunion and will come prepared to take a leading part in the big parade. A train carrying 150 eastern Oregon horses will be brought along for the mounted cowboy band and the men who will be dressed as cowboys and Indians.

Baker has arranged for a special of eight standard steel coaches, La Grande for 10 coaches, Walla Walla 12, North Yakima 10, Wallace, Idaho, eight, Moscow six and The Dalles at least 10. The latter has not decided what equipment it will need for a class of 50 from Redmond and Bend is to be taken into the order and these new members may desire to come with The Dalles train. Arrangements are being made with the O.-W. R. & N. by which the trainloads of Elks from points east of Oregon can be entertained as they pass through Baker, La Grande, Pendleton and The Dalles. Elaborate plans are being made for sightseeing trips about the country surrounding these places, and other forms of entertainment.

The members of the grand lodge will assemble in Chicago prior to coming to Portland and will journey the remainder of the way by a special train devoted to their own use. Every possible comfort will be included in the make-up of this train.

Secretary Harry C. McAllister of the 1912 commission is in communication at present with the Oregon delegation in congress and other members in an effort to have the navy department visit the battleship fleet which is to visit Seattle during the Polktech by way of Portland. Should this be accomplished these ships will form a part of the "water" parade which is to take place on Friday, July 12, and they will probably go direct to Seattle instead of making ocean going ships and the cruisers Marblehead and Boston will lead the procession.

WILL HEAR CHARGES AGAINST SLEUTH MCH. 1

(United Press Leased Wire.) Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 29.—Officials of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers today failed to get an early hearing in their case against Detective Robert Foster, arrested on complaint of President Ryan and charged with drawing a revolver with intent to kill. In all, there are five charges against the sleuth. The date for the hearing was set for March 1.

COFFEY RECEIVER FOR TELEPHONE CO.

Police Commissioner to Take Over Affairs of Northwestern Concern.

John B. Coffey, police commissioner, was appointed receiver this morning by Judge Glens of the circuit court for the Northwestern Long Distance Telephone company. His bond was fixed at \$35,000, which will be given this afternoon. Mr. Coffey will assume immediate charge of the company's affairs.

This appointment was made in view of the decision given by the judge Saturday afternoon, when he held that the fight to foreclose the company had the appearance of danger to the stockholders. Attorney Charles E. Sumner, a heavy stockholder, brought the action that resulted in the receivership. The telephone company is the long distance agency connecting the several independent companies throughout the coast. It is also a competitor of the "Bell system."

Mr. Coffey has not selected his attorney, but will do so as soon as the bond is justified. His jurisdiction will extend to all long distance business within the state of Oregon, but not to the several local exchange companies.

The original trouble involving the long distance company was started by a suit filed by the Title Insurance & Trust Co. The action was to foreclose on account of failure to pay interest on bonds. Attorney Sumner intervened in the suit, claiming the trust company is controlled by P. L. Willis of Portland, William H. Allen and William Meade of Los Angeles, who are trying to make worthless the stock held by Sumner. Other small stockholders would suffer with Sumner, it is claimed, if the company were foreclosed. To preserve all interests, Judge Glens held that a thoroughly disinterested person should take charge and manage the affairs of the company.

GROCERY STORE IS DAMAGED BY FIRE

Fire started at 2:30 o'clock this morning from defective wiring in the Kady & Rice grocery store at 6325 Foster road and before the fire department succeeded in extinguishing the blaze, damage to the extent of \$4000 had been done to the stock and store building, and to a vacant building at 6327 Foster road. Engine company No. 9 responded to the alarm and used for the first time the new fire hydrants that have recently been installed in that district. By their use a dangerous conflagration was prevented that might have otherwise resulted in the loss of life, for the district is closely settled with small houses. Kady & Rice sustained the greatest loss, about \$2000 being covered by about \$1000 insurance. George McCulloch's plumbing shop sustained a loss of about \$250, covered by \$150 insurance, and an empty building destroyed at a loss of about \$1000. A. A. Parah's shoe store was damaged to the extent of about \$25 by water. The fire was at Laurelwood station on the Mount Scott line.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

TOMORROW and Wednesday

— two more days of 100 per cent profit-taking for Portland women, in this great sale of Fancy Tailored Suits at half price. Fetching models, made of selected fabrics, on which the price has been \$25, \$30, \$35 and \$40; for two days more you're welcome to come and choose at \$12.50, \$15, \$17.50 and \$20—just half the regular price. Hundreds of handsomely dressed women in Portland and the surrounding country are realizing today on their clothing investments here; you and your friends are cordially asked to come and participate. Remember, you save exactly half.

We have six beautiful satin-lined Velvet Suits, in dark blue and black, priced \$45, \$65, \$100, \$110 and \$125, that will be sacrificed at one half. The sizes are 14, 18 (misses'), 34, 36 and 38 (ladies'). Two are plainly tailored; the others are richly garnitured with silk braid and fur. All are new, striking models, very effective for functional wear. Our sacrifice on these will enable you to own a handsome costume at an unusually attractive price.

This half-price movement now extends to every Ladies' Woolen Coat and Polo Coat that we have. These sharp mornings make them a welcome addition to the wardrobe of those who enjoy a ride or a walk in this glorious winter air. The prices have been \$15 and \$20; they're now \$7.50 and \$10.

These London-fog proofed English Mandiebergs will protect you from any Oregon shower. Buy them while the price temperature is below normal:

Table with 5 columns showing price reductions for various items. They were ... \$20.00, \$22.50, \$25.00, \$27.50, \$30.00. They're now ... \$16.85, \$19.85, \$21.15, \$22.50, \$24.85.



Ladies' Shop Third Floor Elevator Service

BEN SELLING LEADING CLOTHIER MORRISON AT FOURTH STREET