

RETAILERS, AFTER LIVERY SESSIONS, END WITH BANQUET

La Grande Is. Chosen for Next Meeting Place and Salem Merchant, J. L. Stockton, Is Made President.

(Special to The Journal.) Albany, Or., Jan. 24.—Four hundred retailers, after the closing banquet of the Oregon Retail Merchants' seventh annual convention and every one taken, was the record made in this city last evening, and the highest praises were given to the Albany Retail Merchants' association for the manner in which the visiting delegates were entertained during their two days' stay in the hub of the Willamette valley.

La Grande was chosen yesterday afternoon late as the place for the next annual convention which will be held some time next January.

J. L. Stockton of Salem was reelected president of the state association. The following were the other officers elected for the ensuing year: First vice president, W. A. Bell, of Eugene; second vice president, P. J. Fletcher, president of the Albany Retail Merchants' association, and the man to whom the chief credit is given for making this convention the success that it was; third vice president, J. G. Snodgrass, of La Grande; secretary, L. R. Merrick, of Portland; treasurer, Thomas C. Watts, of Reuben, Or.; elected directors, W. F. Isaac, of Medford; C. Tibbitts, of McMinnville; C. H. Burkholder, of Cottage Grove; Emil Gunther, of Portland; J. C. Mann, of Portland; John Malley, of Portland; R. Alexander, of Pendleton; E. Polack, of La Grande and T. A. Leahy, of Astoria.

Although protests of friendliness were exchanged plentifully, there was little less than a riot imminent yesterday afternoon at the close of the last business session of the Oregon Retail Merchants' association here when Frank J. Miller, chairman of the railroad commission, mixed with Dan Kellner of Portland and Max Buren of Salem over the rate problems of the state.

Kellner, Buren, Miller and a number of others all wanted to talk at once then, but there were calls from all over the house to rule the discussion from the floor on the ground that it was more a political matter than one for discussion in a commercial organization and President Stockton took the situation in hand and called for the next order of business.

SEARCH 54 MEN AND FIND JUST 70 CENTS

Fifty-four men were arrested this morning at 5:30 o'clock in the free reading room of the Men's resort, Fourth and Burnside streets, for vagrancy. The resort is conducted by Rev. Levi Johnson and is supported largely by the First Presbyterian church.

When the 54 men were searched at the police station, the total amount of money found amounted to 70 cents. When arraigned in the municipal court this morning, each man said he wanted work, but could find nothing to do. The judge asked all if they would take work if offered. They replied they would, whereupon he told them of railroad work at Eugene, where they will be employed if they go there.

Placing a rockpile sentence of 180 days upon each man if found in Portland without work or lodging in the free institutions, the judge allowed them to go.

HOUSE MAKES LAW OF 3 MORE BILLS VETOED BY GOV. WEST IN 1911

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As absolutely defective as this bill is, his excellency has no objection." The same stand was taken by Hagood in regard to the other two. He pointed out the defects in them, but made no other fight.

That no attempt has been made by the governor or his friends to influence votes in any of the measures was further shown by the fact that many considered especially friendly to West, voted to pass them over his veto. Thus Bonebrake, of Benton voted "aye" on the county division measure, Reames of Jackson, a strong West man, voted to increase District Attorney Bryson's salary, and Gill of Clackamas voted to raise Tongue's pay.

\$5000 FIRE, NO INSURANCE, RUINS LEBANON THEATRE

Lebanon, Or., Jan. 24.—Fire broke out in the new Arcadia theatre building in this city at 4:30 o'clock this morning. H. Kuhn, who owns the building, had recently fitted it up for a moving picture show and had installed a new electric piano. The general opinion is the fire started from defective wiring at or near the new piano. Mr. Kuhn estimates his loss at \$5000, with no insurance.

LABOR DELEGATES SCORE LAWRENCE

Vote of Censure Passes by 48 to 25; Nominations for Officers Made.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.) Salem, Or., Jan. 24.—By 48 to 25, the State Federation of Labor today passed the resolution censuring Representative A. W. Lawrence for introducing the commission's workmen's compensation bill in the legislature before ascertaining the views of the federation. The resolution repudiates his action as not being consistent with organized labor.

Another resolution was passed providing for the appointment of a commission of 10 members from the ranks of organized labor to draft a state income or compensation law in harmony with labor's views.

The three members who served on the compensation bill commission demanded that if Lawrence was censured, or his hands were tied, they should be censured along with him.

Members of the federation insisted that the labor representatives had been too greatly influenced by the representative. They said that while they believed a compensation law would have to come, they would never endorse the present bill.

Nominations for the various officers and delegates were made today, to be elected later by a referendum vote of the affiliated unions. They are as follows:

President, R. O. Rector, T. H. Birchard and R. P. Coburn, all of Portland; vice president, M. J. McGuire and G. T. Hunt, of Portland; secretary-treasurer, E. J. Stack, executive committee, one member to be elected from each city. Mrs. M. Miller, John R. Forsman, Philip R. Pollock, Portland; H. M. Lornsten, Astoria; C. M. Anderson, S. J. Odell, Salem; J. C. Weekworth, Baker.

Nominations for delegates were as follows: Delegates to the American Federation of Labor, which will meet in Seattle, J. D. M. Crockett and Lon De Yarmond of Portland; fraternal delegate to state grange, R. A. Harris, Salem, and H. D. Parsons, Portland; fraternal delegates to Washington State Federation of Labor, Miss Ruthabell Pasolt, Portland; fraternal delegate to farmers' union, C. M. Ryerson and C. R. Indman, Portland.

ONLY 3 SENATORS AID GOVERNOR ON SWAMP LAND BILL

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gation of the board; it was a good bill when it was passed, and it is a good bill yet."

McCulloch replied, and at the outset referred to the approval which Thompson stated had been given the bill two years ago by the land board, of which the governor is a member, with the secretary of state and the treasurer.

"It is unfortunate that anything is introduced here," he said, "as to the previous action or approval of a state board, for possibly the attitude of the members has not been stated correctly, as I know in one previous instance it has not been stated correctly."

Means Land Grab, McCulloch Says. McCulloch asserted the bill will permit large land monopolies, to annex more territory and curtail the state by continuance of the policy of giving away the lands in which the state has rights of ownership. He declared there was no rule of law, under the bill, to permit the state to monopolize, to annex more territory and curtail the state by continuance of the policy of giving away the lands in which the state has rights of ownership.

He demanded that Thompson tell why all doubt on such a matter was not cleared away by writing it across the face of the bill.

Thompson, answering this, said the legal adviser of the land board, the attorney general, last night informed him that his construction of the law is correct, and that the state would have power to dictate the final disposal of the lands. He took a direct fling at McCulloch by pointing out that McCulloch had reported the bill favorably two years ago, and had then voted for it.

Joseph, the only member voting no on the bill two years ago, made a talk in support of the measure. Moser and Butler also spoke in favor, the latter saying he had been prejudiced against it at first, but on investigation did not think it would tend to land monopoly. On the roll call, the votes against the bill were cast by McCulloch of Baker and Miller of Linn, the two Democratic members, and Von der Hellen of Jackson. All others voted for it. The bill will go into effect at the end of 90 days.

MRS. MARY COLEMAN, LANE PIONEER, IS DEAD

(Special to The Journal.)

Eugene, Or., Jan. 24.—Mrs. Mary A. Coleman, aged 64, widow of the late Enoch Coleman, died at her home in Eugene, yesterday afternoon of pneumonia. Mrs. Coleman was one of the early residents of Lane county, and leaves two sons, George and Harry, and a daughter, Clara Coleman of Eugene. She was a sister of Ira Walton and of the late J. J. Walton of Eugene. The funeral services will be held at Colberg Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

STUDENTS ATTEND SCHOOL DRESSED AS RAGAMUFFINS

Clothes Closets Ransacked by Hundreds of Youths Who Inaugurate "Hard Times Day" in Lincoln High.

Today was "hardtimes day" among the boys of the Lincoln high school, and more than 400 of the 600 youths attending turned out attired in the plainest, most worn garments they were able to rummage from among discarded clothes in their home garrets.

Yesterday four members of the graduating class appeared in "hardtimes" uniforms, and were promptly sent home. Today, however, the students trooped into the class rooms in such numbers that the teachers were simply overwhelmed, and were compelled to allow the whole lot to remain, rags and all. Every sort of dress was represented, from jumpers and blue jeans to veteran coats, trousers and shirts, frayed, worn and torn from long usage.

The majority were attired in blue flannel or black shirts, and for the most part neckties were strictly tabooed. As far as can be ascertained, the two prime movers for "hardtimes day" were Lewis Brenner, manager of the football team, and Manager of Athletics Bloch. Anyway, the movement got a start, and all day yesterday the whisper went around.

"Hardtimes day tomorrow. Keep it from the teachers and come to school in your oldest clothes."

The idea was taken up enthusiastically, and instructions were followed explicitly.

Today is the last day of the term before examinations, and it is supposed to make the event mark the close of each school term hereafter.

No reflection is cast upon the movement for dress reform among the Lincoln high school girls, which was seriously undertaken recently.

"The girls have started dress reform seriously, and they should be upheld in it," said Lewis Brenner today. "Hardtimes" day was started with a view of giving the boys a chance for a lark, and that is all there is to it."

Other leaders among the students expressed the same sentiments, and said they hoped the girls would not think the turn out today was inspired with any desire to make sport of their dress reform.

POSTAGE STAMP FRAUDS AGGREGATE \$12,000,000

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, Jan. 24.—Discovery of postal frauds involving illegal trafficking in postage stamps to the extent of \$2,000,000 annually, is alleged to have been made by postoffice inspectors here. Indictments have been returned against a number of stamp brokers in different parts of the country.

TEAL VICE-PRESIDENT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, Jan. 24.—J. N. Teal of Portland has been elected vice president of the United States Chamber of Commerce for the Pacific coast.

TURKEY RECALLS PEACE DELEGATES; WILL RENEW WAR

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The new cabinet as completed this afternoon is:

Grand vizier and minister of war—Mahmud Sherif Pasha.

President of the council of state—Said Halim.

Minister of the interior—Hadi Atil.

Minister of foreign affairs—Miktar Bey.

Minister of marine—Tschurukasala Mahmut.

Minister of justice—Israhim Pasha.

Minister of finance—Rifaat Bey.

Minister of public works—Bazarrila Effendi.

Minister of pious foundations—Hatri Pasha.

Minister of agriculture—Djadal Effendi.

Minister of posts—Osman Bey.

Minister of public instruction—Shukri Pasha.

U'Ren Probable Target of This Bill.

Salem, Or., Jan. 24.—A bill which might be labeled "To make W. S. U'Ren and others guilty of crime," was introduced in the senate this morning by Thompson of Lake.

It defines as a crime the receiving or accepting of pay or reward of any sort from any person or corporation outside of the state to assist in the adoption or defeat of any measure submitted to the people under the initiative. Such act is made a felony, punishable by a term in the penitentiary of from one to five years.

Father O'Hara to Lecture. Father Edwin V. O'Hara will give a stereoscopic lecture on his six weeks' vacation in Europe before the Business Girls' club, in the rooms of the Catholic Women's league, 129 Fourth street, at 8:30 o'clock Monday night. No admission is to be charged.

KNOX SENDS NOTE ON PANAMA; NEXT MOVE UP TO GREAT BRITAIN

Wilson Administration Will Have to Settle, Diplomatic Question Over Free Tolls.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, Jan. 24.—The next move in the diplomatic skirmish between Great Britain and the United States over the former nation's objection to the clause in the Panama canal bill, which exempts from shipping engaged in coastwise trade from the payment of tolls, must come from England.

Until that time, state department officials declared today, they must refrain from a discussion of Secretary Knox's note to Secretary Grey to the effect that there is no basis for the British protest. It was admitted, however, that at least two or three additional notes must be exchanged before a basis for an understanding could be reached.

This makes it practically certain that Woodrow Wilson will be called upon to make final disposition of the question, as it is considered impossible that the tariff administration can affect a settlement before March 4, the date of Wilson's inauguration as president.

Assuring England that domestic coastwise trade will not be permitted to extend its operations into competitive foreign fields, and foreign shipping will not be made to pay increased tolls to make up for the remission of tolls to American vessels, a note from Secretary Knox is before the British foreign office. The note, in reply to Sir Edward Grey's protest that American vessels should not be unduly favored, declares that Sir Edward's note, coming before President Taft's proclamation fixing canal tolls, does not apply to the controversy, and anticipates conditions that may never arise.

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MADE SPECIAL ORDER

"I did my best to carry my point, but when I was fairly beaten I did not push my opposition to a point where it could be regarded as mere spite work," said Councilman Menefee.

On motion of Councilman Daly, when the council first convened, the matter of compensation for laborers was made a special order of business. He spoke of the need of the common workmen, and declared that the cities of Spokane, Seattle and Tacoma will pay \$3 a day to this class of employees. San Francisco, he said, pays from \$3 to \$3.25 a day. Councilman Daly moved that a general increase of 25 cents a day be granted all laborers.

In seconding the motion, Councilman Baker made an eloquent plea for the wage earner.

"I'm not in favor of spending the money of the taxpayers indiscriminately," said Councilman Baker, "but this talk about the taxpayer objecting to an increase for common laborers is a bugaboo that is always sprung on the council when the council comes up. I myself, have never heard a taxpayer object to a raise for the lowly workman. There are thousands and thousands of poor laborers who are working for less than \$3 a day, but how are they living? Have you ever put yourself in their places?"

"It is said the city has set a standard of wages. Why not? Last summer the big paving companies tried to get men for a day and they couldn't. It was a case of supply and demand. Another thing that should not be lost sight of is that the common laborer under civil service devotes his whole life to his work. He has nothing to look forward to but hard work. I believe the man who works with his hands is entitled to all he gets and I am willing to be criticized if I am wrong. I heartily second Councilman Daly's stand."

"I am opposed to this increase," declared Councilman John Montag. "Because I cannot see why the city should pay more than I go myself. I probably employ as many laborers as any other councilman here. I pay common laborers \$2.50 a day. I am not willing to vote other people's money for a purpose to which I would not put my own. It's an easy thing for a man to make a good fellow of himself with taxpayers' money, but that's not my way of doing business."

Councilman Wallace took the same stand as that stated by Councilman Montag. The vote on the motion to increase the laborers' salaries from \$2.75 to \$3 was passed, 10 to 3.

The increase affects 212 men in the street cleaning department, 65 men in the park department, 25 men in the street repair department and 17 men at the city crematory. These latter, however, are paid by the month, and they will receive hereafter \$35 a month.

Maguire's Motion Lays. The section of the general fund appropriation ordinance applying to the mayor's office was passed without comment. This provides for an increase of \$25 a month for the mayor's chauffeur, who now receives \$75 a month.

One increase was granted in the city auditor's office, a stenographic clerk being raised from \$100 a month to \$110. Councilman Maguire made a fight to increase the salaries of traction engineers in the department of the city engineer from 45 cents an hour to \$120 a month. Maguire's motion to this effect was decisively defeated, as was his motion to raise the salary of the clerk of the free employment bureau from \$100 a month to \$110.

"I'm aware," declared Maguire, hotly, "that this action of the council is the result of a personal fight on me. However, if the council wants to reduce wages I'll go down the line. I can show you where \$75,000 can be cut off the annual salary rolls without decreasing the efficiency of any department. It's not the amount of wages we pay, but the increased number of employees we hire that counts."

All the other salary increases but one recommended by the ways and means committee, including raises totaling \$12,000 a year in the fire department, went through, with the exception of that of the poundmaster, who was recommended for an increase of \$15 a month. His salary, on motion of Councilman Montag, was left at \$135 a month.

The big feature of the fight in the council today was the debate on the motion to create the office of assistant chief of police. Mayor Rushlight strongly recommended that the office be established, and Councilman Maguire, following a temporary victory in the council Wednesday, when he succeeded in having the recommendation of the ways and means committee in favor of the office stricken out of the committee report, he and his followers boasted that they would defeat the final passage of the ordinance if the assistant chief were not left off the list of employees. Mayor Rushlight, however, was able to turn the tide of battle by one vote and he will have the satisfaction of soon appointing an assistant to Chief Slover at a salary of \$200 a month. He believes the creation of the new office will add greatly to the efficiency of the police department.

Journal Want Ads bring results. SEATS NOW SELLING FOR EXCHANGE. HULLIG THEATRE. NIGHTS BEGINNING Mon., Jan. 27. Matinee Wednesday and Saturday. ERLANGER'S Stupendous International Production BEN-HUR 200 People. 12 Chariot Horses. NIGHT AND SATURDAY MATINEE PRICES. Lower floor, excepting last 4 rows, \$2. Last 4 rows, \$1.50. First 5 rows balcony, \$1.50; remainder, \$1. Admission, 50c. SPECIAL PRICES WEDNESDAY MATINEE. Lower floor, \$1.50. Balcony, \$1. Admission, balcony, 50c.

THEATRES — AMUSEMENTS — ENTERTAINMENTS. HEILIG THEATRE. 11TH AND MORRISON. PHONE MAIN 1 AND A-1122. Prices, \$2.00, \$1.50, \$1.00, 75c. BAKER THEATRE. Main 2, A-5360. Geo. L. Baker, Manager. Even, 25c, 35c, 50c. All Mats, 25c. Next week, starting Sunday, Mat., "The Gambler."

Opheum. Matinee Daily. AMELIA STONE and ARMAND KALISZ. 6—OTHER STELLAR ACTS—6. SEVENTH AND TAYLOR STS. SARAH BERNHARDT. 5—OTHER GREAT ACTS—5. Matinee, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00. Nights, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50. Owing to heavy advance sale patrons are urged to make their seats early. MAH. ORDERS GIVEN PROMPT ATTENTION.

PANTAGES. The Melnotte-Lanote Troupe, Alice Teddy, Dugan and Raymond, Four Burns Sisters, The Dancing La Croix, Josh Dale, Pantageos Orchestra. Special Attraction, "The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere," the big 3-MATINEE DAILY reel film. Popular prices. Boxes and first row balcony reserved. Box office open from 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. Phone A-2228, Main 4638. Curtain, 7:30, 7:15, 9.

LYRIC THEATRE. "The Hebeurn," an Avalanche of Comedy, a Galaxy of Beauty and a Musical Gem. Two performances nightly, 7:30 and 9:15. Matinee daily, 2:30. Sunday matinee, continuous performance starting at 5:30. Tuesday nights, Athletic Contests. Friday nights Rosebuds' Contest.

These little talks are not claims to which we try to live up. Rather, they are accounts of pleasing incidents that have taken place, or of the daily service of the Imperial Grill. That is the reason for the ever-increasing Imperial popularity. Try it yourself—on Sunday—you and your wife or sweetheart.

Table d'Hote Dinner \$1.00