

OFFICIAL EYE ON SALVAGE COMPANY

Postal Inspectors May Make Investigation of Claims by Promoters of Concern.

That action will shortly be taken against the Inter-Continental Salvage company, promoters of the proposition to raise the Titanic from its ocean bed two miles deep in the Atlantic, was the intimation today of Harry G. Durand, United States postal inspector.

Mr. Durand spent the morning in getting a statement from A. O. Jackson, a promoter and one of the original incorporators of the concern and in attempting to locate W. D. Sisson, the engineer who is at the head of the company. The latter was not in his office. An effort was being made to get him before United States Attorney John Sisson so that a decision on the action to be taken might be secured.

A. O. Jackson, who has offices in the Mohawk building, gave a full account of his knowledge of the operations of the concern. He is a stock salesman and was one of the first men to become interested with Sisson. He was one of the incorporators, but he was "too conservative" in his manner of disposing of the stock and consequently he and Sisson, it is said, had a disagreement.

The company is said to have sold already \$2500 worth of stock. At least 150 people have purchased most of them were earnest. The stock was disposed of in small blocks.

Mr. Durand this morning said that he was convinced that the scheme is an absolute fraud. Sisson, he believes, from what he has heard, is a dreamer of dreams.

Literature and letters in the hands of the inspectors are the most flowery imaginable. An artist is said to have designed most of the stuff, which is gotten up in colors and alluring looking prints. The government, it is said, could not prosecute the concern if it merely stated that the proposition was a fraud. But the pamphlets and leaflets are the most convincing possible. They give the impression that the bell is absolutely infallible; that investors can't fail, and the return they are to receive is immense.

Mr. Durand has had no time until today to consider the matter, but he will continue to work on it until, either it is proved that the scheme is a fraud or that it is all right.

LABORERS' REQUEST FOR WAGE BOOST IS DENIED

The request of laborers in the city water department for a raise in the wage schedule of 25 cents a day has been denied. The application for the increase was made several weeks ago and has been in the hands of a special committee of which Commissioner J. C. Ainsworth is chairman. Common laborers in the water department now receive \$2.75 a day and it is the opinion of a majority of the water board that this figure is a liberal wage.

Cases Set for Trial. Circuit Judge McGinn this morning called his docket and set cases which were ready for trial. Those which were not ready or in which the attorneys were not present were placed at the bottom of the docket, to be called up again next Thursday morning. Failure of attorneys to have the cases set on the third call will automatically dismiss the cases, was the announcement made by Judge McGinn.

After Long Suffering

Women Are Constantly Being Restored to Health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"Worth mountains of gold," says one woman. Another says, "I would not give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for all the other medicines for women in the world." Still another writes, "I should like to have the merits of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound thrown on the sky with a searchlight so that all suffering women could read and be convinced that there is a remedy for their ills."

We could fill a newspaper ten times the size of this with such quotations taken from the letters we have received from grateful women whose health has been restored and suffering banished by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Why has Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound accomplished such a universal success? Why has it lived and thrived and kept on doing its glorious work among the sick women of the world for more than 30 years?

Simply and surely because of its sterling worth. The reason no other medicine has ever approached its success is plainly and simply because there is no other medicine so good for women's ills.

Here are two letters that just came to the writer's desk—only two of thousands, but both tell a comforting story to every suffering woman who will read them—and be guided by them.

FROM MRS. D. H. BROWN.

Iola, Kansas.—"During the Change of Life I was sick for two years. Before I took your medicine I could not bear the weight of my clothes and was bloated very badly. I doctored with three doctors but they did me no good. They said nature must have its way. My sister advised me to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I purchased a bottle. Before it was gone the bloating left me and I was not so sore. I continued taking it until I had taken 12 bottles. Now I am stronger than I have been for years and can do all my work, even the washing. Your medicine is worth its weight in gold. I cannot praise it enough. If more women would take your medicine there would be more healthy women. You may use this letter for the good of others."—Mrs. D. H. Brown, 800 North Walnut Street, Iola, Kan.

MRS. WILLIAMS SAYS:

Elkhart, Ind.—"I suffered for 14 years from organic inflammation, female weakness, pain and irregularities. The pains in my sides were increased by walking or standing on my feet and I had such awful bearing down feelings, was depressed in spirits and became thin and pale with dull, heavy eyes. I had six doctors from whom I received only temporary relief. I decided to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a fair trial and also the Sensitive Wash. I have now used the remedies for four months and cannot express my thanks for what they have done for me."—Mrs. Sapie Williams, 455 James Street, Elkhart, Indiana.



Write to LYDIA E. PINKHAM MEDICINE CO. (CONFIDENTIAL) LYNN, MASS., for advice. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence.

Retail Merchants Reach New Standard During Past Year

Successful War Waged Upon Fake Schemes; Officers Are Elected.

The annual banquet of the Retail Merchants' association, held last night in the Hotel Portland, became a congratulatory meeting before it was over because of results recorded for the work of the year just ended.

The merchants had succeeded in establishing a new advertising standard. They had made it impossible for promoters of fake schemes and swindling or donation advertisements to get a hearing from any member until the proposition had been expertly investigated. A movement had been started to induce property owners to contribute toward such worthy enterprises as the Rose Festival, as well as the retail merchants, and this is proving successful. Better working hours have been secured in many stores, and earlier closing hours.

Itinerant Vendors Rout. Itinerant vendors who seek to sell deceptive goods at bargain prices and then get away before the city license department reaches them have been detected. By cooperative organization all merchants have become possessed of a great list of names of those who do not pay their taxes. It was more than 1100 last year and more than 1500 already this year, reported the assistant secretary, W. B. Shively.

The annual election resulted in the choice of E. J. Jaeger as president for a second term; Charles F. Berg and J. P. Plagmann, vice presidents; F. G. Buffum, secretary; Wilfrid P. Jones, treasurer. On the executive board of the officers and the following: William B. Wiggins, A. A. Dekum, W. A. Montgomery, Edgar Stipes, Max M. Smith, T. H. Edwards, J. C. English, Bert Reed, C. Whitmore, Warner Peterson, Frank A. Freeman. President Jaeger immediately announced the following committee appointments:

Advertising and Contributions—F. P. Young, J. C. English, Polita Bros., C. N. Stockwell, R. E. Taylor. Legislative—H. D. Kilham, John M. A. Lane, W. A. Montgomery, T. H. Edwards, Marshall N. Dana.

TICKETS FOR SALMON DINNER GOING FAST

Many tickets have been sold already for the salmon dinner to be given tomorrow night at which the general public of Portland will partake of the canned variety of the Columbia river product at \$1 per plate. W. C. McBride of the Transportation club's committee promises a good entertainment during the course of the dinner, which will take place at the Commercial club at 6:30 tomorrow evening. Tomorrow will be observed as salmon day, not only here but also at Astoria, Seattle and Tacoma. Astoria packers will also be represented at the dinner here. The object of salmon day is for the boosting of the canned product.

Let Contract for Paving. The contract for laying 500 feet of concrete sidewalk around the courthouse was let to Miller & Bauer this morning by the county commissioners for \$1516. The fourth street sidewalk will not be rebuilt, as it is in good condition.



E. J. Jaeger, reelected president of Retail Merchants' Association.

Good of the Order—C. F. Berg, W. A. Knight, A. A. Dekum, F. G. Buffum, F. I. Case, Ralph R. Routledge. Entertainment—C. J. Mattis, W. D. Fraley, Bert Reed. Excursion—W. A. Knight, Felix Friedlander, Louis Rosenblatt.

Trade Excursions Discussed. Plans were discussed for a series of trade excursions, the merchants to pay the fares of those who come from a distance buy at any of the stores included in the agreement goods up to a certain amount. This is said to be a great trade stimulant. Addresses were delivered last night by Don C. Prentiss, on "The Silence of Salesmanship," by a Retail Businessman, M. W. Hard on "What is a Retail Clerk Selling," and J. Fred Larson, "Sales Management." Said Mr. Larson: "The first thing to consider in driving a fact into a man's mind is to see that fact clearly yourself. There is a key for every entrance, there is a selling side to every man."

DREDGING GOLD FROM RIVER BED AT BAKER

(Special to The Journal.) Baker, Or., March 13.—The new dredger of the Powder River Dredging company, a branch of the Keystone Dredging company, is now in full operation on the river about a mile beyond Sumpter and according to the reports of the manager, R. W. Derby, the new plant is more than making good the expectations of the company when it was decided to install the equipment, the first of its kind for the dredging of gold ever introduced in eastern Oregon. It was erected at a cost of \$185,000, is operated by electric power and motors generating 500 horsepower, and can handle on an average 300 cubic yards of dirt an hour. While only a short time in operation, the dredger is working very satisfactorily and is attracting much attention, and on Sunday large numbers of people will trip from Baker to see it in operation. It is estimated that at the rate of one acre a week, the company now controls sufficient dredging ground to keep it working for nine years.

J. D. FARRELL RETURNS FROM SAN FRANCISCO

President J. D. Farrell of the O.-W. R. & N. company returned this morning from San Francisco, where he completed details in connection with the transfer of management of the steamships of the San Francisco & Portland Steamship company from the Pacific Mail Steamship company to the O.-W. R. & N. company.

President Farrell stated this morning that under the new arrangement G. L. Blair will be general manager at San Francisco, which will be the operating end of the line, while Portland will be the seat of the administration, which means that all supplies for the vessels as well as repairs will be made in this city.

Mr. Farrell is president of the Steamship company and General Manager J. P. O'Brien of the O.-W. R. & N. is vice president. J. W. Ransom, as Portland agent, will have charge of the operation from this end.

Mr. Farrell also announced this morning that the company will make extensive improvements to its docks in the Portland harbor, but said he was not in position at this time to give further details.

After attending to his business in San Francisco, Mr. Farrell went to Colorado, where he spent several days.

DEMURRER OVERRULED IN CAR FENDER CASE

Discovering that a demurrer to the indictment of F. W. Hill, general manager of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company for failure to comply with the fender statute had never been considered Circuit Judge McGinn called attorneys for the company and District Attorney Evans into court this morning to argue the matter and then overruled the demurrer. The case has been set for trial but the date has not been decided upon yet. The demurrer was on the ground that the company was not amenable to the state laws, but was under the jurisdiction of the city in regard to fenders.

SALE OF TOBACCO TO BOYS IS OPPOSED

In an effort to stop the sale of snuff, cigarettes and tobacco to boys under age, the police, juvenile court authorities and constables are working together securing evidence and arresting all violators of the law regarding its sale to boys. Among those who have been arrested are A. Horn, proprietor of a store at Union avenue and Beach Street; William C. Quade of East Twelfth and Failing streets; Tony Christ and Mike Christ of 113 1/2 Third street. All of these men received fines of \$5 yesterday in the justice court.

Baby Loses Fingers. (Special to The Journal.) Cottage Grove, Or., March 13.—While playing with a lawn mower a couple of days ago, John Johnson's baby narrowly missed having his hand amputated when he caught it in the blades of the machine. The tips of two fingers were cut off.

MAYOR COURT TRIES 49 MINERS

"Mother" Jones and Other Defendants Will Know Their Fate Saturday.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Charleston, W. Va., March 13.—Six members of a court-martial today are deliberating at Paint Creek on the fate of "Mother" Jones, a famous woman labor leader, and 49 miners who have been on trial there on a charge of conspiracy to commit murder. The trial ended at midnight last night.

Only two witnesses were introduced by the defense. "Mother" Jones is seriously ill at Camp Pratt. She collapsed during the closing hours of the trial, and was carried swooning from the courtroom. If convicted, the court-martial is empowered to sentence the defendants to death or send them to the penitentiary for life.

The court-martial is the outgrowth of a walkout of miners in the Paint Creek district.

Armed clashes between the strikers and guards employed by the operators marked the struggle.

The court's decision will not be published until it is acted upon by Governor Hatfield. It probably will be given out Saturday.

TO HOLD EXAMINATION FOR ASSISTANT CHIEF

Mayor Rushlight stated today that he would order a civil service examination held within the next few weeks in order to secure eligibles for the recently created position of assistant chief of police. The mayor had already expressed his wish to appoint Captain J. T. Moore to the office, but as it is a permanent position, the appointment could be made only temporarily.

Three vacancies in the position of detective sergeant will be filled probably a week from next Friday. It is probable that one of the appointees will be T. E. Hammersley, who was lately reinstated in the police force after an absence of several years. Hamersley was formerly a deputy United States marshal and is regarded as a capable and hard working member of the detective force.

HEAD OF PUBLISHING FIRM VISITS PORTLAND

Cyrus H. K. Curtis, head of the Curtis Publishing company, and publisher of the Saturday Evening Post, is in Portland today on a tour of the states. Mr. Curtis, accompanied by Mrs. Curtis and five guests, arrived here this morning in his private car over the Southern Pacific from San Francisco. The party will leave for Puget sound tomorrow morning to go east over the Northern Pacific.

SAY HE KILLED WIFE WITH HER FALSE TEETH

Topeka, Kan., March 13.—Charged with killing his wife by forcing her false teeth down her throat, the trial of Rev. W. L. Beers, pastor of a Wakanusa, Kan., church is on here today.

Waitress Charges Assault.

A complaint was issued yesterday against Leo Kessler, proprietor of a Fourth street kosher restaurant, charging him with assault and battery on Susie Ticer, formerly a waitress in his employ. She told Deputy District Attorney Dempsey yesterday that Kessler threw her out of his place when she asked him for wages which she claimed were due.

Reopen Yankton School.

Yankton, Or., March 13.—Orders came to open the school here, although at least seven families are quarantined with scarlet fever. The contagion is in a light form, no cases being in a dangerous condition. However, the attendance at the school is very light, there being only 24 pupils divided among the three rooms.

Wright Patents Valid.

Paris, March 13.—The French court of appeals today upheld the validity of the Wright airplane patents.

How To Reduce Fat Without Exercise, Drugs or Diet



This is the time when fat people should be thinking about reducing their weight and should stop making the fat that is such a burden to them. The best way and the easiest way is the one about which so much has been said and written this past year. This way is the Marmola way. The famous Marmola Prescription has been prepared in tablet form. These little tablets contain nothing but the elements that go to change the best things which produce fat into good, strong blood, nerves, tissues and bone. More than this, these tablets absorb and remove the fat remaining at the rate of from 12 to 15 ounces per day. You must not confuse Marmola Tablets with harmful patent drugs and harmful reducing methods. These tablets go into your stomach just like the food you eat. They build up the tissues of the digestive organs and correct these tissues so that they produce no more fat. They are harmless, yet thousands of men and women all over this land today are of firm figures and normal size because of these little tablets. This is why every druggist everywhere carries them in stock and will sell them to you. If your druggist does not have them, or you would rather see the price of the fat case, to the Marmola Company, Farmer Block, Detroit, Mich., they will send them to you at once in a plain package, postage paid.

TOO MANY WRECKS ON C. & E. RAILWAY

State Commission Decides to Investigate Cause of Frequent Smashups.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.) Salem, Or., March 13.—Because of the frequent wrecks and derailments on the Graysville & Eastern railroad, the state railroad commission, on its own motion, has decided to make a thorough investigation into the condition of the road. The date for the hearing is set for April 14, and it is probable that nearly a week will be consumed in the investigation.

Some time ago Mr. Earl, chief engineer for the commission, made a preliminary investigation of the road and filed a report with the commission. The commission sent the report to the railroad officials, but has not been advised whether the company has taken steps to improve conditions. The commission will now investigate the condition of the roadbed, the tracks, the facilities and the general adequacy of the line. The commission now has dates set for 22 hearings, touching points from one end of the state to the other, from Baker in the eastern portion of the state to Lakeview in the southwestern.

FEIGN SICKNESS TO GET AROUND STRIKE LAW

(United Press Leased Wire.) Venice, March 13.—Employees of the Societa Puglia, a navigation company, with extensive government mail carrying contracts, have solved the problem of striking for increased wages without laying themselves liable to government charges of wilfully obstructing the mails. Just as 11 steamers of the company were about to sail from this port and the ports of Taranto, Bari and Brindisi, all of the firemen, engineers and a large number of other employees gave notice that they were too ill to perform their duties. Doctors sent aboard by the company to examine the men were unable to decide whether all of the various and alarming symptoms alleged by the men were real or feigned, and all of the boats were forced to remain in port.

GLEE CLUB'S SUCCESS DUE TO HOOD RIVER GIRL

(Special to The Journal.) University of Oregon, Eugene, Or., March 13.—One of the biggest undertakings ever handled by a University of Oregon co-ed will be marked with success by the appearance of the first Oregon women's glee club in Eugene Friday night. The co-ed is Miss Florence Avery, of Hood River, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Avery, of that city, who four months ago assumed charge of a choral club on the verge of disbanding. She reorganized it, made it into a co-ed glee club, and then secured the recognition of the student body association, that recently made it an official student body activity. The credit for the whole is due to Miss Avery.

FATHER OF PURE FOOD LAW HERE TOMORROW

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, the "father of the pure food laws," who severed his connection with the government some time ago, following a strenuous fight against his work, will be a visitor in Portland tomorrow afternoon. He will arrive from the sound cities and is accompanied by H. J. Titus, superintendent of the dining car service of the Northern Pacific Railway company. Dr. Wiley is making a lecture tour throughout the country, advocating pure food.

Acquitted of Arson Charge. Aberdeen, Wash., March 13.—G. S. Morrow, a merchant of Satsop, who has been on trial for a week at Montesano

on the charge of arson, was acquitted by a jury. The case has been sensational. Morrow sent a small lot of merchandise to Satsop, and then over-insured it. The case against him was purely circumstantial.

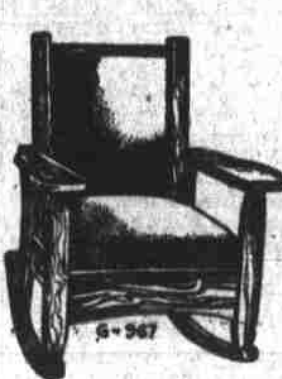
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COUPLING VERY LOW PRICES WITH VERY GOOD FURNITURE—Giving you big assortments to select from—for this stock we're moving out quick is a big one, \$30,000 worth.

COME TOMORROW, THERE'S MUCH HERE TO INTEREST YOU—The following are only a few of many interesting offers all over this big furniture store—look for the yellow tags—they mean substantial reductions.



\$5.50 for \$8.00 to \$15.00 Rockers

THESE ALL GOT WET—SOME SHOW IT VERY LITTLE—Light, and dark fumed oak—all roomy, low back, wide arm, some have deep automobile cushion seats, some regular slip seats—All leather covered. On sale First floor.

\$13.75 for \$25 Sewing Machine

—THESE WERE ON THE SAME FLOOR AS THE FIRE, PACKED IN CRATES, THEY ONLY GOT WET, some show it, many don't, the machinery is in first class running order—they're mighty good \$25 machines to be selling for this little price. On sale First floor.

5c-10c Tables in the China and Crockery Departments on the Third Floor

OFFER YOU ALL MANNER OF KITCHEN AND HOUSEHOLD UTENSILS that formerly sold from 15c to \$1.50. Be sure to see these tables.

95c for \$1.25 to \$2.00 Cut Glass—

A special table on the 3d floor, just as you step off the elevator—generously good bargains here also.

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