

DECKS ARE CLEARED BY W. O. W. DELEGATES FOR ELECTION TODAY

Retention of Present Officiate Favored, But Contest Keen for Minor Places.

It was buzz-buzz and whisper-whisper all around the convention hall where the Women of Woodcraft of nine western states are holding their convention today. Shrewd looks on many fair faces, covert glances and many a pat at a recalcitrant puff, led to the belief that something sinister was in the wind.

And it was sinister, for the political destinies of many an ambitious member of the order were at stake. Election of officers was scheduled to start promptly at 2 o'clock this afternoon and so all other business of the morning was dispensed with so the lady lobbyists could do some expert electioneering.

Officers May Be Re-elected. Sentiment about the headquarters building this morning was fairly strong for the present chief officers, who have held their positions for many years, but an undercurrent of local zeal prevailed as to the minor posts to be filled. Nine states are represented and each has its "favorite daughter."

No one would admit for publication this morning who is in the lead for the various minor offices to be filled. "The election will be harmonious," was the declaration generally, however, and the impression was given that whatever difference of opinion may prevail as to the make-up of the staff it will be sectional rather than a matter of the policy of the order.

The opinion now is that the convention will adjourn sine die Thursday night. A night session was held yesterday and another today probably will clean up the routine business.

Zone Men Pathetic. Almost pathetic, were he located among less attractive surroundings, is the position in the convention of J. L. Wright, grand clerk of the order. Mr. Wright is the only man among nearly 100 women. Whether it is because he is the only man there or because he is grand clerk, he was seen this morning consecutively in every group of politeness on the convention floor.

Mrs. C. C. Van Orsdal, grand guardian, was also prominent in the knots of femininity gathered here and there. She is a candidate for reelection also. The other chief officer is Mrs. Bertha M. Leach, grand banker, who is willing again to care for the funds of the order. Besides, there were women from every state of the jurisdiction, some urging their own candidacies and some the candidacies of others of their locality.

Most of the important miscellaneous business of the convales has been disposed of.

ENGLISHMAN LEAVES CASH AND BOOKS, FLEES

(Special to The Journal.) Aberdeen, Wash., Aug. 13.—Mystery surrounds the action of a young Englishman known as Charles Vines. Although giving every evidence of refinement and education of high order, immersed himself for several months at Markham, a mill hamlet five miles from Aberdeen, and worked in a mill. He had surrounded himself with a collection of valuable books and curios. His taste for the best there is in life led him to create a debt of \$25 with a storekeeper. When sued for the amount Vines suddenly disappeared, leaving the books and twice the amount of cash for which he had been sued. The books were seized for his debts, which all told were little more than the cash he left in his shack. Book lovers bought the books dirt cheap and when the expenses and debts were paid there was converted into the county treasury a surplus of about \$25.

Vines is thought to have feared for some reason the publicity of the law. Estrangement from his family is another theory. He was 35 years old.

POLICE PENSION FUND TO BE INVESTIGATED

City Attorney LaRoche has been asked to make a thorough investigation of the police pension and relief fund act as passed by the last legislature. It is likely that a suit will be started in the courts to determine its legality. The act provides that a certain amount of the fund shall be given by the city, but when the various appropriations were made at the first of this year, no provisions were made for such a relief fund. Commissioner Brewster said this morning that he does not see what right the legislature had to pass an act which had been voted down by the citizens of

APPOINTED SENATOR FROM ALABAMA



Henry D. Clayton.

Montgomery, Ala., Aug. 13.—Governor O'Neal has appointed Henry D. Clayton United States senator from Alabama to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Johnson. Mr. Clayton is chairman of the house judiciary committee and has served his state in the national congress for 16 years. There is some question as to the authority of the governor to appoint a senator without direct instructions from the legislature. Governor O'Neal would not call a special legislative session for that purpose, so Mr. Clayton will retain his seat in the house until the senate passes on his credentials.

Portland some months before. Commissioner Daly also attacked the act on the grounds that the legislature had no business to say what should be done with the funds controlled by the city.

ACQUITTED OF MURDER HE JUST ESCAPES BOMB

San Francisco, Aug. 13.—Chance discovery of a blasting sack in a hole directly under the window of a bedroom in which there slept Pietro Pedone and his wife, blocked a bomb outrage directed at their lives. Under the sack was found a quart bottle of gasoline and a bomb of black powder. Pedone killed Marion Palesterro several years ago, during an outbreak among North Beach fishermen. Recently he was acquitted of the charge and he believes now that friends of the victim sought revenge.

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MILLINER GAGGED AND FORCED TO TAKE GAS

Dead Body Found in New York Rooming House, With Hands Tied Behind Him.

New York, Aug. 13.—Police search is on here today for a man and a girl who were the last persons renting a room in which the body of William Martin, a rich milliner of Toronto, was found here.

Martin had been murdered. His hands were tied behind him and a rubber tube from a gas jet was in his mouth, wedged in by a towel. Several hundreds of dollars in jewels and money were missing.

Two men and a girl took the room recently, one of the men claiming the girl was his wife and that the other man was his brother. The landlord was about to order them to leave when he found the corpse of Martin.

TELEPHONE EXTENSIONS SHOW GROWTH OF CITY

"Let anyone who doubts that Portland is growing take a look at this record," suggested Fred Spoerl, commercial manager of the Pacific States Telephone company, this morning.

He had before him notice that the company will spend immediately \$34,000 for underground conduits south of Jefferson street and west of Park. These will connect with present aerial and underground lines and are to provide for congestion which exists in that part of the city due to its rapid increase in population. Work is to begin on the conduits within a week. It is

NOTED SOCIALIST OF GERMANY DIED TODAY



August Bebel.

Berlin, Aug. 13.—August Bebel, famous head of the German socialist party, died today at Graubunden, where he went to take the waters.

It is estimated that the expenditure will provide for the expansion of the district to be served for six years, based on the present rate of growth.

NORTHWESTERN STARTS UNDERGROUND SYSTEM

Gang Begins Work Today on Electric Conduits and Steam Mains.

Marking the first actual underground service work by the company in Portland, the Northwestern Electric company this morning started a gang of laborers at Burnside and Fourth streets, where electric conduits and steam mains for the heat distributing system, will

be laid in the same trench. The object of starting work at this point, General Manager Coman explains, is to take advantage of the excavations already made in the course of electrification of the Fourth street line. It is the intention of the Northwestern company to avoid the main business streets as much as possible in their underground work, and to feed to them from parallel streets so that traffic will not be disturbed more than is absolutely necessary.

It is announced that the gang of 15 put to work this morning will probably be increased to 100 within the week, and that the force will be further added to as the work progresses. Material on hand is sufficient to assure operations until the work is completed.

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RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$198,449.38
Stocks and Bonds	128,214.50
Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures	81,331.82
Due from other Banks	109,267.08
Cash on Hand	43,612.37

Total amount Resources \$510,875.15

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Profits, less expenses and taxes paid	18,615.91
Circulation	392,259.24
Deposits, individuals and banks	

Total amount Liabilities \$510,875.15

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

Lumbermens National Bank OF PORTLAND

At Close of Business, August 9, 1913

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$3,545,206.38
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	250,000.00
U. S. bonds to secure government deposits	100,000.00
Municipal bonds, and premiums	\$937,895.47
Other bonds	59,875.00
Furniture and fixtures	997,770.47
Due from U. S. Treasury	12,500.00
Cash on hand and in banks	2,024,322.42
Total	2,036,822.42

LIABILITIES

Capital	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	146,935.11
Circulation	240,100.00
Dividends unpaid	112.50
Deposits	5,572,487.93
Total	\$6,959,635.54

Growth in Twelve Months Is 21%

Deposits, August 9, 1913 (comptroller's call) \$5,572,487.93
Deposits, August 9, 1912 4,610,463.56

Gain \$ 962,024.37

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF Merchants National Bank Washington and Fourth Streets, Portland, Oregon

At the Close of Business, August 9, 1913

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$1,958,906.70
United States bonds	423,000.00
Premium on bonds	3,400.00
Other bonds, stocks and warrants	626,368.14
Real estate and mortgages	29,085.87
Furniture and fixtures	81,250.00
Banking premises	84,500.00
Cash and due from banks	1,238,895.43
Total	\$4,405,305.13

LIABILITIES

Capital stock	\$500,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	110,481.05
National bank notes outstanding	297,500.00
Dividends unpaid	925.00
Deposits	3,496,419.59
Total	\$4,405,305.13

Total deposits August 9, 1913 \$3,496,448.58
Total deposits August 9, 1912 3,074,155.01

Increase \$ 422,293.57

Charter No. 4514

CONDENSED REPORT OF The United States National Bank OF PORTLAND, OREGON

Submitted to the Comptroller of the Currency at the Close of Business, August 9, 1913.

ASSETS

Loans and discounts	\$ 7,119,277.63
United States bonds at par	1,090,000.00
Municipal and railway bonds	1,280,180.84
Bank building	125,000.00
Cash and exchange	3,017,372.92
Total	\$12,631,831.39

LIABILITIES

Capital	\$ 1,000,000.00
Surplus and profits	1,162,309.39
Circulation	782,997.50
Deposits	9,686,524.50
Total	\$12,631,831.39

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