

LOCAL ENTERPRISES ARE ADVANCED BY MERCHANTS' BUREAU

Dollar Day, Dress-Up Week,
Fashion Display Show,
Among Its Activities.

BUREAU MEETS WEEKLY

Chamber of Commerce Institution Do-
ing Good Work—Membership
List Totals 525.

Real Good Accomplished.
This is No. 2 of the Journal's series on first year accomplish-
ments of the Chamber of Com-
merce as merged with the
Commercial club.
No. 1, the Chamber of Commerce and
Transportation Bureau.

By Marshall N. Dana.
Dollar day.
Dress up week.
Fashion display show.
Christmas sales distinctions.
Patronize home, not itinerant, mer-
chants.

The work of the retail merchants' bureau of the Chamber of Commerce can thus be stated in short sentences. The bureau has 525 members. The managing committee essays to carry the burden of detail. It meets weekly. It has recorded 50 meetings during the first year since the Commercial club-Chamber of Commerce merger. The bureau membership has met about six times. There are no standing sub-committees. Special committees are released when work for which they were appointed is done.

Direct Benefits Seen.
Retail merchants had their separate organization.

It was before the merger of the Chamber of Commerce and Commercial club.

Ability to appeal under Chamber of Commerce auspices to the entire membership and opportunity to bring about a more successful spirit of cooperation are described as compensations for the change and held to be of greater benefit than the devices to quicken trade. The "Buy at Home" slogan, for instance, was undertaken more in the thought of providing as good, or as exclusive, articles as are vended by itinerant merchants who rent hotel parlors, than to build a trade wall about Oregon.

"In other words, a 'Nothing the matter with Portland' spirit.

Itinerant Sales Decline.
It is authoritatively said itinerant sales have greatly fallen off.

The bureau during the year has been working on the return merchandise problem—the return of goods as unsatisfactory after a sale has been fairly made.

It had to do with the passage of an ordinance prohibiting blocking of streets by construction enterprises.

It kept up an old crusade against "bad check artists."

Its influence was exerted in having discounts to privileged classes or individuals stopped.

The experience of the year has suggested the desirability of an arbitration board to settle misunderstandings among competitors.

Branch Road to Be Surveyed.
Los Angeles, March 22.—(P. N. S.)—With the break of winter a party of surveyors for the Salt Lake railroad will make preliminary surveys in the Utah district, eastern Utah, for a proposed branch line, according to General Manager Nutt, who is here.

If conditions are found favorable, the new road will probably be built some time soon, said Mr. Nutt. The Utah district was formerly an Indian reservation.

Sisters Buy Fine Hotel.
Seattle, Wash., March 22.—(P. N. S.)—Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart, a Catholic charitable order, today took an option to purchase the Hotel Perry, one of the finest hotel structures in Seattle. The property is valued at \$400,000. No announcement as to the use to which the property will be put has been made. Details of the transaction have not been completed.

Australian Forces Increase.
Los Angeles, March 22.—(P. N. S.)—A. H. Black, wealthy sheep man of New South Wales, who is here en route to join the British forces, said that by June Australia expects to have 20,000 men at the front. Black said soldiers are paying their own expenses to reach the war zone.

Fact No. 10
The Packard Twin Six combines a rapidity of pick-up, a range of high gear activity, an ease of hill climbing and a sureness of sustained speed never before combined in any motor car.

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WRIGHT'S BIG STORE
Corner Fourth and Alder Sts.

Local Potatoes Win Praises From The Plant Wizard

D. M. O'Sullivan of 46 Union avenue, is the proud possessor of a prize-winning potato. He won the prize from the California plant wizard, saying that the blue ribbon russet Burbank potatoes raised by Mr. O'Sullivan on his lot in this city are the finest he ever saw. There are very few potatoes of this variety in Oregon. Mr. O'Sullivan is a potato expert and tends his small patch with all the devotion that sweet peas, apple trees or a lawn.

PROTECTION OF WATERSHEDS IS TALKED OVER

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The bill provides \$100,000, and operations are to be contingent on operations from the legislatures of the states concerned to conduct the hatcheries in such manner as the federal authorities deem necessary and proper.

Senator Chamberlain's bill to establish game sanctuaries in the national forests has also been favorably reported. Certain portions of the forests are to be designated as game reserves by the president upon recommendation of the secretary of agriculture and approval of the governor of the state concerned. Designation of a game sanctuary is not to do away with the ordinary national forest use of such lands, such as grazing, and the purpose of the bill is defined to be the creation of sanctuaries of medium size, such as will not include all the hunting grounds of any given region.

COLUMBIA SALMON ALMOST AS GOOD AS CATFISH, SAYS CLARK

Washington, March 22.—At a National Press club affair tendered to "baby congressmen," meaning those who are serving their first terms, Representative McArthur was acclaimed the baby with the strongest lungs and presented with a whistle. A cake of soap, as a reward for being the cleanest baby, went to Representative Dill of Washington.

The very next day Mr. and Mrs. McArthur were guests of Speaker Clark at an informal luncheon in his dining room at the capitol. A short time previous, on the speaker's sixty-sixth birthday, a choice cut of Columbia river salmon was presented for his dinner table by McArthur, and Speaker Clark, with his usual consideration for Missouri, said the Oregon fish tasted better than any he had ever eaten except Missouri river catfish.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS FOR OREGON TO BE GIVEN CONSIDERATION

Washington, March 22.—A subcommittee of five of the house public buildings committee will within the next two weeks pass on proposed buildings in Oregon. Five building bills have been introduced by Representative Hawley and two by Representative Sinnott.

The subcommittee consists of Cantrell of Kentucky, chairman; Barnhart of Indiana; Phelan of Massachusetts; Langley of Kentucky and Kreider of Pennsylvania. There are five subcommittees, between which the work of the committee is divided.

Reports have been called for from the treasury department as to the need for buildings asked for, and these reports will have a large influence in determining what ones will go into the omnibus bill to be reported by the committee. In order to make the chance of the omnibus bill as bright as possible, only those buildings will be included for which strong showing can be made.

Duty of Water Research.
Washington, March 22.—Secretary Houston of the department of agriculture, commenting in a letter to Senators Chamberlain and Lane on inquiries from O. Lauegaard and the Klamath Commercial club as to investigations in Oregon of the duty of water, says this research will be carried on in cooperation with the Oregon Agricultural college, but probably will be unable to spend an increased sum over last year.

Final plans are delayed, it is stated, awaiting the arrival of President W. J. Kerr of O. A. C., who is expected here soon.

Protection of Halibut.
Washington, March 22.—The senate committee on fisheries has favorably reported the bill of Senator Johnson of Maine for the protection of halibut fisheries of the Pacific coast.

This bill makes it unlawful to fish for or to offer for sale any halibut caught in Pacific waters during the months of December and January of each year. Two protected zones, in which fishing is made unlawful at any season, are also fixed in Alaskan waters, particularly described, lying between Heceta and Noyes islands.

The bill is not to become effective until after the enactment of concurrent or essentially similar regulations by the dominion of Canada.

Annual Weighing of Mails.
Washington, March 22.—In a message to Senator Chamberlain the Oregon public service commission asks support for the Phelan bill providing for regulation of railroad mail pay by the Interstate Commerce commission, with a provision calling for annual weighing of mails. The commission says it was asked to act by nine short line railroads in Oregon.

Summer Mail Service.
Washington, March 22.—Mail service is to be increased from three to six times a week on the route between Marshfield and Susan, Or., a distance of 10 miles, beginning April 1. Representative Hawley has had the matter up with the postoffice department for some time.

Halselden Gets Film Contract.
Minneapolis, Minn., March 22.—(I. N. S.)—The Western Film company has contracted to pay Dr. H. S. Halselden of Chicago \$100,000 to star for one year in a series of films based on detective babies. Dr. Halselden aroused nation wide attention when he refused to perform an operation which would have saved the life but not the mind of Baby Bollinger, a defective.

BATES FUNERAL WILL BE CONDUCTED ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON

List of Pallbearers Is An-
nounced; Dr. John H. Boyd
to Conduct Services.

Funeral services over the remains of George W. Bates, late president of the Lumbermens National bank and the Portland Clearing house, who died suddenly on Wednesday morning, will be held Friday afternoon from 2 to 4 o'clock at 795 Flanders street. Dr. John H. Boyd, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, of whose congregation Mr. Bates was a member, will be in charge of the services.

From among his personal friends the following have been chosen to serve as honorary pallbearers: M. A. Hackett, A. G. Long, E. G. Clark, L. P. Gilliland, John F. Carroll and C. S. Jackson. The following will be the active pallbearers: A. F. Wheeler, Harry Rafferty, Russell E. Sewell, A. L. Tucker, E. G. Crawford, and J. S. Birrell.

The George W. Bates & Co. bank on the east side will be closed all day tomorrow. The Lumbermens National bank will close for the day at 1 o'clock.

At a special meeting of the Portland Clearing House, held at the United States National bank yesterday afternoon to take suitable action respecting the death of Mr. Bates, the Clearing House formally and the members individually paid their respects to the memory of the former president. Secretary J. L. Hartman was instructed to prepare suitable resolutions and

forward them to the members of the family.

A. L. Mills, Edward Cookingham and J. C. Almsworth were appointed a special committee to represent the Clearing House at the funeral, and the secretary was instructed to ask each bank to be represented at the obsequies.

Burns Received by A Girl Prove Fatal

Miss Berlin, Aged 6, Dies Following
Accident, Which Took Place at the
Family Home.

Burned when the flame from a lighted match with which her 4-year-old brother was playing set fire to her clothing in the family home, 255 East Sixty-fourth, north, two weeks ago, Elsie Berlin, 6 years old, died from the burns this morning in Good Samaritan hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Berlin had packed their belongings by Saturday, March 11, preparatory to leaving the next day for Aberdeen, where Mr. Berlin was to get work. The two children were left alone in the house for a few minutes.

Mrs. Berlin extinguished the flames with her hands, but not until the face and upper body of the child were badly burned.

The body is at the Pearson undertaking parlors.

**British Peer, Father
Of Lord Curzon, Dies**

London, March 22.—(I. N. S.)—Lord Scarsdale, father of Lord Curzon, is dead.

Lord Scarsdale, the Rev. Alfred Nathaniel Holden Curzon, was born July 12, 1831. He was the son of the late Rev. Hon. Alfred Curzon. The family seat is Kedleston Hall, Derby.

Green and Murray already are in San Quentin serving time for robberies in Los Angeles. Duncan is in the city prison here, and the police say he will be charged with murder. Harry Wilson, another of the gang, was killed by Corporal Cook in the pistol duel which brought death to Cook.

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THREE MURDERS AND MANY OTHER CRIMES CONFESSED BY BANDIT

Bares Details of Killing of
San Francisco and Seattle
Policemen.

San Francisco, March 22.—(P. N. S.)—Confessing his part in the operations of a bandit gang responsible for three murders and a series of daring holdups, Howard George, alias Dunnigan, wayward member of an influential Baltimore (Md.) family, lies at the city and county hospital under police guard today, hoping that his detailed admission of crime will bring him mercy from the law.

After weeks of grueling cross-examination by police detectives George broke down and made a detailed confession of the operations of the gang of which he says he was a member.

His statements, if corroborated, clear the murders of Police Corporal Frederick Cook and James H. Shadle of this city; and of Policeman Lawrence E. Kost in Seattle.

Besides these crimes, the confession bares the details of a long series of saloon holdups committed late last year, in which the bandits worked in a five seated automobile. The operations of the gang, George says, extended from Seattle to Los Angeles.

In his statements, George implicates as members of the gang Thomas Green, James Murray and Jack Manning, alias Duncan.

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Tailor Found Dead In His Work Shop

L. Myers' Death Is Believed to Have
Been Caused by Heart Failure;
Widow Survives Him.

L. Myers, a tailor, dropped dead in his shop, 111½ Killingsworth avenue, last night about 8 o'clock. Myers, who was about 60 years old, had been a sufferer from heart trouble and it is believed this was the cause of his death. The body was discovered by Patrolman Freiberg, who notified Deputy Coroner Smith and the remains were taken to the public morgue. A widow survives.

Employers Meet in Banquet Thursday

The Employers' Association of Oregon meeting and banquet will be held tonight at 8:30 at the Hotel Portland.

Leigh Irvine of San Francisco, representing the Pacific Federation of Employers, will deliver an address on "Citizenship."

Other out-of-town visitors will be: J. Bruce Gibson of Everett, Wash., president of Pacific Federation of Employers; delegation from the Employers' Association of Seattle; J. C. H. Reynolds, secretary of Employers Association of Inland Empire at Spokane.

There will be addresses by several local men of prominence.

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American Ranchman Murdered in Mexico

El Paso, Texas, March 22.—(U. P.)—Stripped and mutilated by sword thrusts, the body of H. J. McKinney, American, employed on a Salomas ranch, was found hanging to a tree by American troops, according to military advisers yesterday. He was supposedly murdered by Villistas.

U. S. Guarding Water.
Cottage Grove, Or., March 22.—A committee from the Commercial club, sent to investigate conditions at the source of the city's water supply in the mountains 35 miles from here, found that while logging operations are being conducted in the vicinity every precaution is being taken against contamination, a careful guard being maintained by the United States government.

German Raiders Are Reported in Pacific

San Francisco, March 22.—(P. N. S.)—The news that two German ships, the Bahrenfeld and the Turpin, which recently escaped from two South American ports into the open sea are armed with six guns and plowing the Pacific as commerce raiders, was brought yesterday from Honolulu by the steamer Lurline.

According to the island reports the British admiralty has sent warnings to all the British and Japanese steamers in the Pacific. It is believed that both of these steamers have been made into auxiliary cruisers of the Moewe type for the purpose of preying upon the commerce carriers of the allies.

The Bahrenfeld was interned at Buenos Ayres and the Turpin at Punta Arenas.

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