

PRESS CLUB PICNIC TODAY PROMISES UNADULTERATED FUN

Interesting Program of Athletic Sports Arranged for Bonneville Outing.

TRAIN LEAVES AT 9 A. M.

Fat Men's Race to Be Run Regardless of the Weather. Prize For Best Lady Dancer.

Up at Bonneville. Near the fish hatchery. On the Columbia. Today. The Press club will have its picnic...

Write something for the Press club picnic for the Sunday paper. The esteemed city editor...

So the harried and hard-worked reporter—another one—who has written the Press club picnic...

"I have it," he said at last. "I'll do it in verse here, whatever that is. Anyway, everybody's doing it, so why not?"

And he wrote what appears above, and forgot to mention that the price of a round-trip ticket from the Union depot to Bonneville for the picnic is \$1.00...

Prize Events Named. Fat men's race—Case of soda water, Pioneer Soda Co.

Married ladies' race—Best candy, Aldon Candy Co. Married couples' relay race—Ham, C. C. Bradley Co.

Attaches of Revenue Office Promoted. Four Members Are Rewarded and Indications Are That Fifth Will Be Included on List.

Four attaches of the office of internal revenue collection have received promotions during the last week...

Ray H. Wiscorver, H. O. Badlock and R. L. Stitt have been advanced from deputies to inspectors...

Aviation School Site in Dispute. Coronado Beach Company and United States Government Are Rival Claimants to Land.

Washington, Aug. 12.—(U. S. S.)—Whether North Island, on the California coast, the present army aviation school site, is the property of...

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VETERANS' ASSOCIATION PICNIC AT THE OAKS



VETERANS REVEL AT THE OAKS OUTING; BATTLES RECALLED

Oregon Association Has Delightful Time—Wives and Children Participate.

The annual outing of the Oregon Veterans' association was largely attended at the Oaks yesterday. Dinner was served at noon under the trees...

The Coronado Beach company or of the United States will be decided by Secretary of War Baker personally after a visit to the island and an examination of titles.

Women More Careful In Voting Than Men. Six Hundred and Ninety-Fair Electors Make No Mistakes, 990 Men Cast 51 Faulty Ballots in Iowa City.

Iowa City, Iowa, Aug. 12.—Six hundred and ninety women who voted in the recent special election on the issuing of \$250,000 in bonds for five graded school buildings in Iowa City...

Prospect of Beerless Days Not Fancied. Germans Do Not Take Kindly to Order of Food Dictator to Cut Down Production.

Berlin, August 12.—(U. S. S.)—The German government's serious consideration of plans to reduce the consumption of beer. It is explained, though, the proposed measures will only remain in force as long as the war lasts.

The brewers have been notified that they received so far for malt will have to be reduced further. This means less or weaker beer. As the public objects to any reduction of the quality of the national beverage, the quantity will have to be reduced, and to this end the "food dictator" has proposed "beerless" days.

Taught Long Time. Syracuse, N. Y., Aug. 12.—(U. S. S.)—Syracuse is proud of its "old-fashioned" school teachers. Perhaps no city in the country can boast of more teachers who have served their community with a better steadfast purpose than can the Salt City. One teacher is now completing her 54th year of service, two their 51st, while six others range from 27 to 37 years of service.



Above—Group of veterans and guests at one of the tables ready for dinner. Below—Members of one of the auxiliaries pouring coffee for hungry picnickers.

Bear Wreck Victim Dies in Infirmary

Exposure Hastens End of Man Who Had Been Nearly Cured of Tuberculosis.

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 12.—(U. S. S.)—W. Shanor today joined the ranks of those whom fate overtook when the steamer Bear was wrecked on a reef near Eureka.

At 33, Shanor found himself a victim of the white plague. He was told that fresh air alone could save him. So he bought a motorcycle and rode across the continent. He arrived in Portland, a new man, practically cured.

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DEATH OF FAMOUS SURGEON MOURNED BY LOCAL FRIENDS

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His death came as a shock to his friends in Portland. He died at a summer resort in Michigan at the age of 59, from infection obtained while operating about a year ago, his heart being affected. Three years ago he visited friends in Portland and lectured before the Medical association on bone transplanting, in which line of operations he had a world-wide fame.

TO OPEN HUDSON BAY.

Ottawa, Ontario, Aug. 12.—The department of marine is preparing for the immediate opening of navigation of Hudson Bay and straits. Construction supplies are on the way for 12 lighthouses, 10 in the straits and two at Port Nelson.

With the pit of the "Murphy button" known to all surgeons as a device that has saved thousands of lives. His surgical work in the transplanting of bone has been accepted and followed by the surgical world.

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MANY RESPONSES TO LABOR COUNCIL'S LETTERS RECEIVED

Opinions on Chamber of Commerce "Open Shop" Policy Are Solicited.

HOME LABOR CLAUSE

President Clark of Chamber Declines to Make Comment; Labor Leader Smith Expresses His Views.

Letters of protest sent out by the Central Labor Council to Portland business men, merchants and professional men asking for their opinion on the Chamber of Commerce declaration for the open shop principle and the action of the school board in striking out the home labor clause in the Benson Polytechnic school contract have elicited many replies.

O. M. Clark, president of the Chamber of Commerce, refused yesterday to comment on the letter, which he said he had seen and stated that nothing could be gained by stirring up the labor situation further at this time.

Eugene E. Smith, president of the labor council, said the labor members had withdrawn from the Chamber of Commerce only after it was made apparent that the chamber's attitude was to be one of hostility to all organized labor.

"This city needs a Chamber of Commerce—every city does," said Mr. Smith. "Speaking for myself only, I would say that the chamber, under the recognition promised under the benefit of the whole city, including the labor element as well as the capitalistic. When we joined, we were applauded and greeted with open arms. It soon became evident, however, that the powers in control were working around to the point where it would be impossible for us to remain in the chamber. We waited, letting small annoyances go until we had something definite. If home and we withdrew."

Distinction Is Claimed. The chamber's position now apparently is that it believes in organized capital and organized labor, with the distinction that is being made between organized capital to deal with labor but not for organized labor to deal with capital.

The council takes the board of education to task for striking out the home labor clause in the Benson school contract, asserting that it was done at the instance of S. Benson, donor of the funds to build the school, and of Chamber of Commerce officials.

Among the responses received by the labor council officials to the letter is one from W. H. Warren, secretary to Mayor Albee, who declares he is personally opposed to the opening of the full school term on Labor Day and expressing the hope that the board of education will rescind its decision.

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Dr. Frank Smith, who has recently considered the interests of all factors in society as well as the interests of certain classes of society.

Mr. Benson wrote a letter to the chairman of the board urging that school be opened on Labor Day and the board agreed rather than hurt Mr. Benson's feelings. Personally, I would rather give Mr. Benson back his \$100,000 than feel that such a gift would be made to the city.

The Central Labor Council's letter is as follows: To the Merchants, Business and Professional People of Portland: Dear Sirs: The officers of the Port-

YOUNGSTER SCORES 99 1-2 AT 7 MONTHS



Photo By Ye Sarony studio. Charles Herman Estes.

Charles Herman Estes, remarkable 7-month-old baby who scored 99 1/2 per cent in hygiene test. He weighs 27 pounds and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Estes of White Salmon, Wash., where Mr. Estes is an abstractor.

Board of Chamber of Commerce have declared themselves against the home labor clause in the Benson school contract. They are willing to be limited to the point of view of the school board.

On August 3, 1916, at the behest of the Chamber of Commerce, the Portland school board eliminated from the building contracts clause providing for the employment of home labor at the prevailing wage rate. This was done on the pretense that the cost of school building would be reduced, a proposition that is not borne out by facts.

It was further shown that S. Benson gave \$100,000 to the city, for building a Polytechnic school. Are we to understand this was a bribe for the city in order that he might be permitted to build with the cost of cheap labor?

Conditions Are Compared. Labor in Portland compared favorably to that of other cities on the coast. Wages here for all trades are lower than San Francisco or Seattle and many smaller cities, and in no instance is our cost higher.

We request the school board to have the Chamber of Commerce set forth a brief, particular and definite labor opportunity to answer. This was refused, hence we must conclude that a board divided the business relating policy of the school board's board.

This same gentleman, S. Benson, in a public letter to the school board requested that labor's national holiday be observed. He further made the bold declaration that our children should be taught that labor is property and should be dealt with as such.

This unbecomingly action is resented by all organized wage workers and the many friends of labor. It caused us to request all workers and friends of labor in Portland to keep their children out of school on Labor Day.

If the Chamber of Commerce in Portland persists in its open challenge to a fight, we wish to have your firm understand that the possibility of a general strike will rest on it, and not on labor.

The officers of the Chamber of Commerce have made many declarations against labor for what they choose to call "the open shop" without consulting its membership. This conduct in their part is doing more to weaken the ties between all the workers in the country, and if permitted to go on, will throw our city into an industrial war.

It is true that when a rich man takes his child to school he considers a parent, and if a poor man's child is to be considered an enemy of society, and if the Chamber of Commerce stand for the open shop for lawyers, doctors and other professional people, then we are not in business.

We do not complain against the grafters in big business. We have never heard of them being taken out of school on Labor Day.

Labor must and will work out its own salvation, and should be encouraged to organize, to unite, to fight and to struggle for the betterment of the people and to establish a union of our people and establish a union of opportunity to all of our children.

We are hopeful to see the continued cooperation of the friendly business men.

We would appreciate a reply. (Signed), E. E. SMITH, Secretary.

REDUCED TARIFF ON THE NORTH BANK IS EFFECTIVE SEPT. 15

New Astoria - Inland Empire Schedule Allows No Exception to O.-W. R. & N. Co.

THE WHEAT RATE IS CUT

Ninety Cents Ton Reduction Made on Cereal; Rate on Salmon and Lumber Is Also Lowered

The North Bank railroad's reduced tariffs between Astoria and the inland empire will go into effect September 15, notwithstanding the application of the O.-W. R. & N. company to be made an exception. The company's commission's order made the new rates to Astoria on a parity with Inland Empire.

The reduced tariffs of the S. P. & S. railroad have been forwarded by the interstate commerce commission in time to reach Washington by August 15, as the same reduction in commission of days before becoming effective.

The tariffs comprise a lower rate of 10 cents a ton for a ton of wheat, and a similar reduction in the rate to reach Washington by August 15, as the same reduction in commission of days before becoming effective.

Under the reduced tariffs wheat will be shipped from the inland empire to Astoria at 20 cents a ton less than formerly.

Salmon and Lumber Included. On the other hand salmon will move from Astoria to the inland empire at 10 cents a hundred less than formerly and lumber will move for 50 cents a ton less from Astoria to the inland empire.

Because of the advantage in rates long possessed by Inland Empire practically no lumber or salmon moved east from Astoria to the inland empire.

On-class rates in competitive territory the reductions vary from 15 to 25 a ton, dependent upon the classification.

Leaves for California. A. C. Jackson, advertising agent of the O.-W. R. & N. Co., left last night for California, accompanied by Mrs. Jackson. The two will be absent two or three weeks, visiting most of the scenic and historical points between Portland and the Mexican border.

Tagore to Lecture to Portland People. Hindu Philosopher, Poet, Short Story Writer and Nobel Prize Winner Coming Under Diana League Auspices.

The number of lectures to be given in the United States by Sri Rabindranath Tagore, the Hindu philosopher, poet, short story writer and Nobel peace prize winner, has been limited to thirty-three. Portland is among the favored few. He will appear here late in September.

It is but a few years since the English-speaking world has had the works of Tagore, but he has long been loved and revered among his own people. In the far-off shepherd huts, his songs have been sung. Traveling lads have carried the word until the country has been home-combed with his philosophy.

As it was with the Greeks of old, so it has been with Tagore today.

It would be impossible to overestimate his value in his own country. When at Calcutta he is announced to speak in a hall or public building it is surrounded by crowds for whom there is no room sitting, and who then outside for the sound of his voice.

So universal has been his message, so absolute his genius, that not only India but the world itself has responded.

Although much of his finest work has not been translated from the original, there are those who have read the "Gardener," "Uttara," "Gitanjali," the "Postoffice" or the "King of the Dark Chamber" have heard the magic call of the birds of Krishna or had felt the truths of the "Gitanjali."

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