

PORTLAND'S FIREMEN ARE REPORTED TO BE ORGANIZING A UNION

Names of Those Behind the Movement Nor Purpose Can Not Be Ascertained.

WORK IS QUIETLY DONE

Organization Declared Independent of Civil Service Employees' Association—More Time Gif Desired.

Members of Portland's fire bureau are now uniting and are to be affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, according to reports circulated today.

Several members of the bureau declare that they know nothing of any new organization and it is being done, organizers are working very quietly.

A number of firemen are members of the Civil Service Employees' association, an organization embracing many branches of the city's service, but the new movement is said to be independent of this organization.

Many firemen were members of the two-platoon committee, but with the rejection of the two-platoon measure by the people, this organization practically went out of existence.

Although the firemen are now getting one day off in four, they are desirous of getting still more time off duty, and the new organization is thought to be for the purpose of strengthening the firemen that they may better put their demands before the city officials.

MUST CUT OUT DESSERT

City Employees Will Have to Cut Their Appetites Down.

City employees eating "on" the city's money will have to dispense with pie, French pastry and other delicacies if they want to continue having the city feed them when they work overtime.

Resides being too rich for their blood, the dessert has been eliminated. The limit is 60 cents when the limit is 50 cents.

In making out statements employees of the water bureau recently have been required to work at night and the city has been paying for the extra meals.

John M. Mann, commissioner of public utilities and head of the water bureau, approved recent conditions calling for extra meals and they went to Dan Kellaher, commissioner of finance and purchasing agent.

Kellaher does not believe in over-eating, even when the city pays for it. One peak at the 60-cent requisition was enough for him.

"Sixty cent, wow!" Kellaher ejaculated. "I don't believe in them. Employees will have to cut out the city, that's all there is to that."

CITY INSPECTING MARKETS

The city health bureau today began a systematic inspection of all grocery stores, meat markets, restaurants and similar places where foods or drinks are supplied the public, with a view of scoring all places on a basis of cleanliness.

Cleanliness cards are to be posted in all the places as soon as the inspection is completed.

With the score cards to be posted in conspicuous places the public will have opportunity to note whether the places are considered sanitary, according to City Health Officer Parrish who has inaugurated the plan. The places found in the best condition will be given green cards with a rating of 90, those in the next best condition will be given yellow cards with a rating of 80 and others will be given red cards with a rating of 70. Places which score below 70 will not be supplied with cards.

WILL MAKE ANOTHER EFFORT

Several property owners on the Peninsula are to make another effort to have Greeley street extended from Killingsworth avenue to Delany street.

John B. Yeon and Amos Benson, who want the street extended, took the second over the proposed improvement this morning.

Proceedings for the improvement were dropped by the council several weeks ago when a large number of property owners on the Peninsula remonstrated against the extension.

Deckhand Dies While Playing Checkers

L. A. McClure, a deckhand on the United States dredge Multnomah, dropped dead Wednesday night while playing checkers on the boat that was docked near Linnton.

The body was taken in charge by Deputy Coroner Lowe, who pronounces death due to cerebral hemorrhage. McClure has a brother living in Kansas.

He had been employed on the boat several months. He was not married.

Paul Joseph Zimmerman Paul Joseph Zimmerman died at his home, 709 East Couch street, Wednesday, following a brief illness, at the age of 41.

He was a native of Germany and was engaged in the grocery business at 400 East Morrison street for a number of years. Mr. Zimmerman is survived by his widow, Mrs. Magdalena Zimmerman, and three children, Bernice, Elvira and Helen Zimmerman. Services will be held at the Catholic church, East Twelfth and Fine streets, Friday at 9 a. m. Burial will be in Riverview cemetery. Miller & Tracy, undertakers, have charge.

Peter J. Gotelli Peter J. Gotelli died at his home, 145 Tenth avenue, Sellwood, Wednesday, at the age of 32 after a lingering illness of over a year. He was born in Portland and is survived by his parents and five brothers and sisters.

Mr. Gotelli was a member of Multnomah Typographical union, and at one time was employed at his trade in the Journal typographical rooms. Funeral services will be held in the

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OREGON CITY SOLDIER IS KILLED



Sergeant Carlton L. Califf

Oregon City, Sept. 12.—Sergeant Carlton L. Califf, who died at Redding, Cal., Wednesday, after being run over by a train bearing a number of horses of Troop A, Oregon cavalry, was a son of Edward S. Califf of Oregon City, and is survived by his father, a brother, Gilbert Califf, and two sisters, Mrs. J. W. Weeks and Miss Ida Califf. Sergeant Califf was born September 18, 1883, and enlisted July 6, 1917.

GERMANS SAY AIRMEN NEVER INTENTIONALLY ATTACKED HOSPITALS

Excuse Made That in Vadelaincourt Case Aerodrome Was in Neighborhood.

By John Grandens Berlin, via London, Sept. 12.—(U. P.)—German airmen have never intentionally attacked allied hospitals, according to an official statement today.

"In the case of the Vadelaincourt incident," the statement asserted, "it was known that 300 paces east of that place was one of the largest of the French aerodromes. More than 40 large halls there were occupied by seven French aerodromes. Three of these units operate at night, bombing peaceful villages in Lorraine and Saar."

Therefore the French have no right to complain if a shell unintentionally hits the hospital."

The explanation above covers only one of the numerous raids upon French, British and American hospital stations reported in recent weeks.

According to French official information the raid on Vadelaincourt hospital which occurred September 4, resulted in the killing of 19 persons and the wounding of 26. Many were patients.

The German airplanes, it was asserted, deliberately flew over the French hospital buildings, which were plainly marked, and dropped bombs every 30 minutes.

Austria Reports on Italian Casualties

Vienna, via London, Sept. 12.—(U. P.)—The Italians lost 230,000 men, including 20,000 prisoners, in the most recent, or eleventh Isonzo battle, an official statement asserted today.

St. Agatha church, Sellwood, at 9 a. m. Saturday morning. Burial will be at Riverview cemetery under direction of Miller & Tracy.

Mrs. Ellen Lynch Mrs. Ellen Lynch, aged 75, a native of Ireland, and a resident of Oregon for over 40 years, died Wednesday she formerly lived in Salem. The body will be forwarded by Dunning & McIntee for burial in Salem in the family plot there beside the body of her husband, Frank Lynch.

LIBERTY

Portland Picture Palace

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Always big attractions at popular prices, 15c—2100 good seats 15c

TRIAL OF YEE GUK ON CHARGE OF MURDER STARTS THIS MORNING

Expectation Accused Man to Claim Self-Defense; State Hopes to Prove Plot.

DEAD MAN PROMINENT

Shooting Occurred at Broadway and Flinders After Victim Had Been Chased Around the Block.

The trial of Yee Guk, alleged Hop Sing gunman, indicted with five other Chinese charged with the murder of Chin Hing, June 2, began this morning in Circuit Judge Tucker's court.

It is expected that the greater part of the day will be consumed in examination of prospective jurors. Chief Deputy District Attorney John Collier and Dan J. Malarky will conduct the prosecution and Robert Maguire and John F. Logan the defense.

Self defense, it is said, will be the plea entered by the youthful Chinese to the indictment. The latter especially prove that the killing was part of a premeditated plot by members of the Hop Sing and Suey Sing gangs.

Chin Hong, said to be wealthy and influential member of the Bing Kong-Bow Leong tong, was killed after a running fight the afternoon of June 2 at Broadway and Flinders street. The Chin Hong, accompanied by Jan Joe and Louis Him, was proceeding toward the Union station when a volley of revolver shots was fired at him from across the street. Jan Joe and Louis Him fell to the pavement, the former killed instantly and the latter desperately wounded. Two white men, Jim Hussey, an expressman, and W. Riggs, a logger, standing in the vicinity of the shooting, were also caught in the fusillade of bullets and both were injured.

Chin Hong escaping the first volley ran down Sixth street to Gilson, Gilson to Broadway and back down Broadway to Flinders, where he met several gunmen who had gone directly up Flinders from Sixth street.

Chinese in store owned by white men, the luckless Chinese was dropped by a dozen bullets from the automatic pistols in the hands of the gunmen.

Yee Guk was caught shortly after the shooting and several witnesses are said to have identified him as one of the men who had shot at Chin Hong.

It is thought the defense will admit that Yee Guk took part in the shooting but will contend that he shot in self-defense.

It is known that more than 50 shots were exchanged in the fight and some of the witnesses estimate that at least 18 or 20 Chinese were killed.

The state has the testimony of the two Chinese, Wong Wah and Chin Hoy, who went before the grand jury late in June and told of a meeting of the Hop Sing and Suey Sing May 28, four days prior to the killing of Chin Hong and at which, they assert, Low Soon, the Hop Sing gang general, from Fa Sing, distributed guns and money with instructions to the gunmen to "get" Chin Hong.

This evidence the defense will attempt to rebut by proving that no such meeting took place and by impeaching the testimony of Wong Wah and Chin Hoy.

Physician Given Verdict Damage Suit Terminates in Favor of Defendant.

A jury in Circuit Judge Gates' court brought in a verdict for the defendant in the \$10,000 damage suit, instituted against Dr. Frank McCauley by Henry Smith.

The complaint charged the doctor with being negligent in the treatment of a cut on Smith's finger and alleged resulting permanent injury.

The evidence in the trial established the fact that although urged to do so by Dr. McCauley, the plaintiff had refused to go to a hospital, where the finger could be properly treated. This necessity, the evidence showed, Smith denied, preferring to treat the wound as a simple cut.

Ford Appeal Set for Trial The appeal of William Ford, I. W. W. leader and organizer, from the six months' jail sentence for vagrancy imposed by Municipal Judge Roseman is set for trial Friday in the circuit court.

Whiskey Is Seized Deputy Sheriff Phillips and Beekman seized 20 gallons of whiskey on the steamer Breakwater shortly after she docked this morning. No trace of the owner could be found.

\$50 for Assault Ed Adams was fined \$50 for assaulting Ernest Neiland by District Judge Jones.

Judges at Gresham Have Difficult Task

Exhibits at Multnomah County Fair Are of Exceptional Excellence—Big Crowds Expected in Parade.

Judges of exhibits of products at the Multnomah county fair at Gresham had no easy time of awarding prizes, so excellent were all displays, but by Wednesday evening had all of the classifications made. The big crowds which are attending the fair say the exhibits are of unusual quality and artistically arranged.

For those who have seen the exhibits interest today is centering on the races, many Portlanders attending. Campbell's American band, which has made other attractions of the fair all the more enjoyable, continues to delight pleasure seekers with its harmony.

Tonight a Chautauque program will be given. A specially interesting entertainment has been arranged with versatile singers, speakers and comedians.

Former Official Goes to California Robert G. Dieck, former commissioner of public works, has left for San Francisco to become engineer on the Hitch Hiker improvement, the big project for giving San Francisco a new water supply. Mr. Dieck takes up his new duties immediately.

Mathis Men's Wear. "Nothing Succeeds Like Success". Our Hat display "went over big"—"100 Feet of Hats" was so much appreciated by the men of Portland that we are planning a display more spectacular than any shown by us in previous years. Watch the papers early next week for our announcement. Mathis Municipal Auditorium Monday, September 17, at 8:00 P. M. Joint Recital. Tom Dobson, Baritone and Lester Donahue, Pianist. Reserved Seat Tickets, \$1.00. Box Office open at Sherman, Clay & Co.'s for Reserved Seats.

COLUMBIA THEATRE BEAUTIFUL—SIXTH AT WASHINGTON. The Columbia standards are high—this play is worthy of them. Dramatic—colorful—intense. A swift moving—absorbing plot. The Squaw Man's Son. A sequel to the Squaw Man. It's a picture big in contrasts—sets depicting life in London society and great scenes laid in the Canadian wilds mark a play entirely different—a superb cast throughout, headed by WALLACE REID. ALSO—a comedy feature that forces laughter and a film full of current events.