

# FAIR DEAL AGAINST PORT COMPETITOR PORTLAND'S PLEA

Every day that Portland shipping board affairs are handled by a destructive competitor adds embarrassment to the work this port is attempting to do to aid the American shipping situation, says H. B. Van Duzer, president of the Chamber of Commerce, in response to advice sent to the chamber Wednesday by Admiral Benson, chairman of the board, that the port await appointment of a new board for revision of the Pacific shipping division.

Every shipping interest in the port has taken a determined stand against the decision of the board to include Portland in a shipping board district under control of Seattle. W. D. B. Dodson, general manager of the Chamber of Commerce, has been leading the fight against the order at the national capital. Ex-Governor West left Monday for Washington to aid Dodson in his contention.

**BENSON SENDS REPLY**

Messages have been sent to Benson by every civic organization, dock and port commission and prominent shippers. In response the chamber received a message from Benson as follows:

"Erskine Wood (head of the admiralty department) has laid before me Portland's request, to be retransferred to the San Francisco district. Inasmuch as the full shipping board will be appointed soon I prefer to defer action until that time.

"I would like Portland then to detail in a written statement the objections to remaining in the Seattle district. It is my desire to build up all Pacific coast ports without favoring one over another and can assure Portland my sympathetic consideration."

In reply to Benson's message Van Duzer forwarded a message to the shipping board head as follows:

"Every day and week Portland is left under control of a most destructive competitor embarrasses that much the work we are trying to do to help the board operate and sell its ships. We know through long and sad experience the complete unfairness of this control and can see no reason why it should be forced upon us without so much as consulting our opinion or getting our evidence of how the plans injure constructive work.

"We do not see the fairness of having to subject our plans to the recommendation of a committee where the majority of shipping is done in foreign ports when our aspirations and plans are for the American merchant marine.

"The present board, as now constituted issued the order placing Portland under Seattle and we cannot understand why the same board cannot modify the order, especially when no additional expense is involved."

Representative C. N. McArthur has lent his support to the plea for justice and sent the following message to Benson Tuesday:

"Business interests and citizens generally of Portland and vicinity are very much aroused over the order of the shipping board placing this port in the same district with Seattle, with headquarters at the latter place. Business of this port is being seriously injured in portions outranking the entire Puget Sound in wheat shipments. We feel that our shipping should not be influenced by Seattle, which is decidedly unfriendly to Portland. Dodson of the Portland Chamber of Commerce is in Washington and ex-Governor West is en route in order to present our case to the board. I bespeak your very earnest consideration of representations of these gentlemen.

**POSITION IS EXPLAINED**

Geographical reasons and economy of operation are set forth by the shipping board in justification of its recent decision to place Portland under the jurisdiction of Seattle, the administration of shipping board affairs.

This information was contained in a message received Wednesday by Senator C. L. McNary, who had voiced Portland's protest to Admiral Benson. The message further declared impossible the suggestion that Portland be made a separate district while the proximity of Portland to Seattle as compared with San Francisco was advanced as a reason for the transfer of jurisdiction recently decreed.

Ex-Governor Oswald West is en route to Washington where he will join efforts with W. D. B. Dodson, general manager of the Portland Chamber of Commerce in urging upon the shipping board a reconsideration of the case.

**WOMEN JOYOUS; SUFFRAGE WINS**

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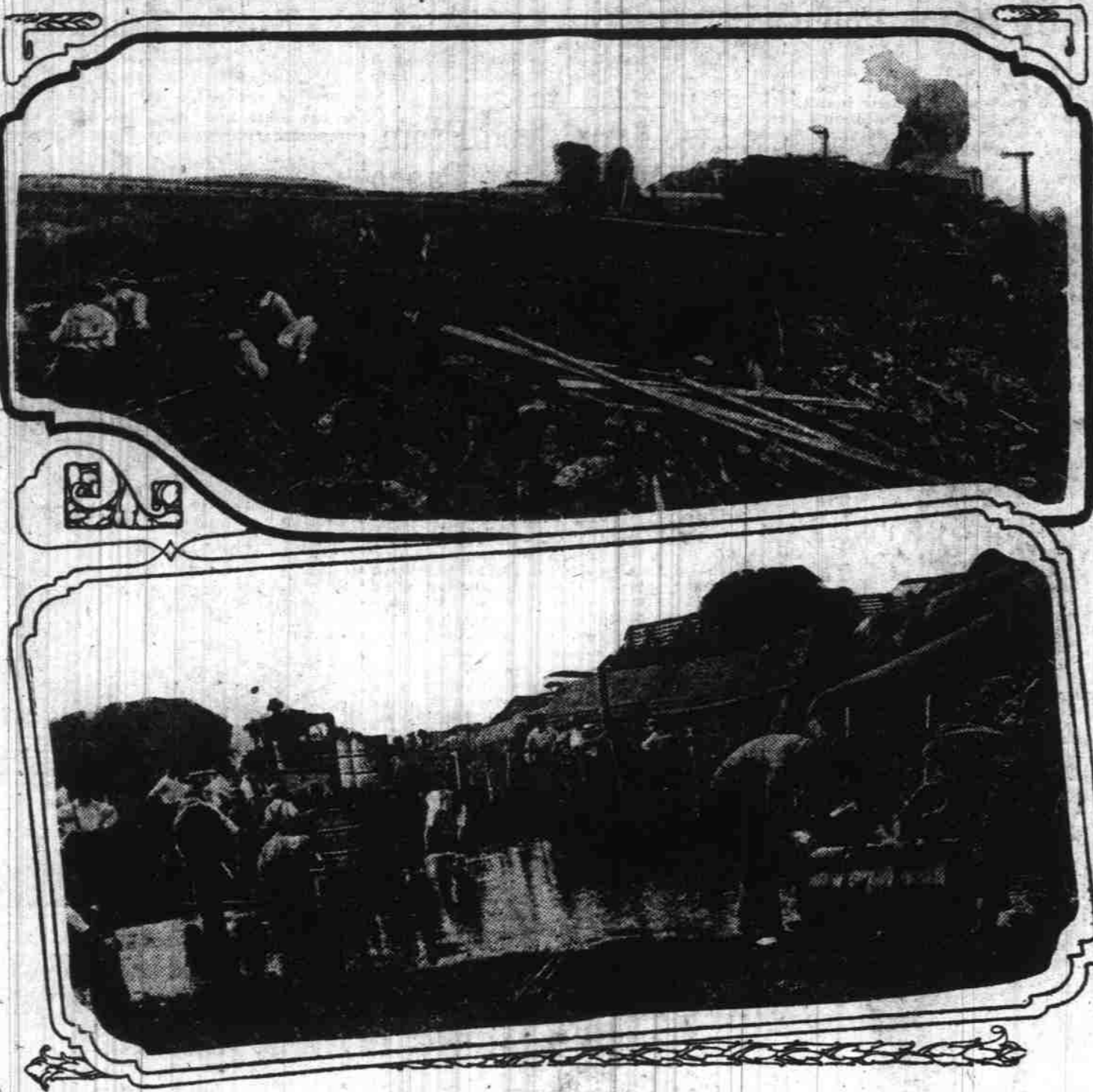
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# WRECK IS BOON TO AUTOMOBILE TOURISTS



Sunday's freight wreck near La Grande produced laughable as well as serious sights. Included in the train were five cars of gasoline and the lower picture shows prominent residents of the district gathering in the precious fluid which flowed from the cars to a depression in an adjoining field. Above—Another view of the wreck, showing cars thrown over the track.

La Grande, Aug. 18.—The freight train wreck Sunday afternoon at Union Junction, 20 miles from La Grande, had its funny sights as well as its serious ones. The wreck, which was probably caused by a broken wheel, although the railroad officials have not determined the cause, sent 20 freight cars into the ditch. Five of them were carrying gasoline, another five general merchandise, and the others coke, coal and other articles. Such a mass of twisted timber and steel has seldom been seen on the second division of the O. W. R. & N. No one was seriously hurt.

Soon after the wreck it was discovered by passing automobilists that the

gasoline from the five tank cars had leaked out and gathered in a small depression in an adjoining field. Soon every automobile man for miles around, farmers with tractors and garage men from Union were busy dipping up the precious fluid, which has been scarce here, in cans of all descriptions and storing it away in their reserve tanks and cans.

remaining in that city for about three hours, returning to Columbus on Friday. He will go Saturday morning by train to Canton, Ohio, where he is to speak at a Cox day celebration in the afternoon.

**EX-SPEECHES PLANNED**

Next week he will speak at Evansville, Ind., Pittsburg and New Haven, Conn., finishing up with an address in New York August 28, at the police field day exercises near Coney Island.

On September 2 he is scheduled to address the representatives of National Farm Organizations at Columbus. The Western tour is expected to begin immediately thereafter.

The governor today will investigate the cases of three prisoners in the Ohio state penitentiary who have been recommended for pardon by the board of clemency. The prisoners will be brought to the executive offices and questioned by the governor, the pardon depending upon the impressions they make.

**WOULD PAROLE WORTHY**

Governor Cox is a firm believer in paroling convicts who show themselves to be worthy.

Friends of Governor Cox today were congratulating him on the enthusiasm aroused in the Democratic state convention here yesterday by the governor's treatment of the League of Nations issue. The fact that the league had played a prominent part in all the governor's speeches since his notification is taken as his answer to charges that the league issue would be sidetracked for some domestic question as soon as the campaign is under way.

**Salem School Head Quits**

Salem, Aug. 18.—John W. Todd, for four years superintendent of city schools here, resigned Tuesday night to enter the real estate and insurance business at Vancouver, Wash., his former home. Todd's resignation will become effective September 1.

# FIREPROOF LAW FOR HOTELS IS TO BE RECOMMENDED

Prompt legislation that will require the practical fireproofing of hotels, factories and other buildings of more than two stories in height is recommended in a report to be submitted to the city council Friday by H. E. Plummer, chief building inspector, and Fire Marshal Edward Grenfell.

The report will recommend stringent measures for the fireproofing of elevator shafts, stairways, light courts and laundry chutes, and will urge that elevator machinery in basements and on roofs be enclosed.

Admitting the disastrous results of the recent Elton Court hotel fire, the report insists that there are many similar fire risks about the city that early legislation should protect. Where the recommendations of the report cannot be complied with, fire proof hoods on each floor are urged. All corridors should be required to lead to fire escapes, the report holds.

The recommendations apply to hotels, office and other buildings of two stories or more in height.

**LAUDENKLOS WILL RETIRE AS ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF**

Assistant Fire Chief Mike Laudenklos, member of the fire department for nearly 30 years and several times mentioned as a candidate for chief, will not return to the department at the expiration of his vacation leave, city hall reports have it.

Laudenklos' retirement, following closely upon the pensioning of Fire Chief Dowell, leaves two important vacancies in the bureau that must be filled by examination among the present battalion chiefs. That will leave two battalion berths to fill by examination.

Battalion Chiefs Young and Holden are candidates for the position left vacant by Dowell's retirement and Fire Marshal Grenfell is another. From these three the chief and assistant chief probably will be selected.

**ROPE STRETCHED ACROSS STREET COSTS CITY \$27.50**

The carelessness of a policeman who left a parade rope across a public thoroughfare Wednesday cost the city of Portland \$27.50, when payment of that sum was recommended in the case of Dr. Jay W. Hearn, dentist. Hearn's machine, it was said, was badly damaged

when it ran into the rope after dusk. Testimony of a woman witness charged carelessness of the police officer on the beat, but the council did not extend itself to check the allegation. Mayor Baker, however, successfully insisted that the occupants of the machine release all claims against the city when the bill is paid.

# SHRINE CONCLAVE EXPENSE IN JUNE PASSES \$211,000

Slightly over \$211,000 was the expense of conducting the Shrine convention in Portland in June, according to a statement of the general executive committee which has just been certified.

So carefully were plans laid and funds checked that a total of nearly \$5000 is left in the balance with all bills paid. In addition there will be between \$9000 and \$12,000 derived from the salvage of decorating materials, leaving a probable total of about \$15,000 which will be turned in to the treasury of Al Kader temple.

Merchants including members of Al Kader as firms contributed \$91,997.02 for the convention. Individual nobles contributed \$63,822.35—a sum understood to constitute a larger percentage of the total pledges than is customary at shrine conventions. Al Kader temple provided \$50,000, not including \$25,100.31 advanced and later refunded to obtain the convention.

About \$11,000 was derived from concessions and advance decorations for the T. P. A. and Kiwanis conventions and rental of electric parade equipment to the Rose Festival association.

Disbursements show that about \$17,500 was spent for banquets and luncheons; \$37,000 for decorations; \$15,500 for entertainment; \$21,000 for housing; \$28,500 for parades and \$15,000 for souvenirs. The disbursements show that a net expenditure of only \$1000 was made for the grandstands.

The total disbursements were \$211,231.88 and the total receipts were \$215,766.89, leaving a total cash balance of \$4535.01 and \$1450.25 in other resources.

**SEASIDE TICKETS TO BE BARRED FROM STREET SALE**

Competing automobile bus companies that have invaded Portland to sell tickets for the ride from Astoria to Seaside will not be licensed to sell tickets on Portland streets, the city council Wednesday morning determined. To outwit competition one company sold tickets on the river boats bound for Astoria and, not to be outdone, the other came into the city and attempted to sell tickets before passengers boarded boat or train. Existing city ordinances will be arranged to prevent the issuance of a license for such practices.

**CITY PUMP DAMAGES DRESS; WOMAN ASKS \$7.25 REDRESS**

Spun from a city pump employed in the park blocks recently damaged the garments of Mrs. P. Everson, a passer-by. Mrs. Everson's claim against the city for \$7.25 was recommended by the city council Wednesday morning and, when a quorum of commissioners is present, the amount will be ordered drawn from city funds.

**General Wholesale Costs Fall in July**

Washington, Aug. 18.—(U. P.)—The general level of wholesale prices dropped 2 1/2 per cent during the 30 days ending July 15, the labor department announced today.

# Reckless Driver to Save Fine, but He Gets Jail Sentence

A. H. Fox, arrested at Grand avenue and East Washington street by Sergeant Mallon at 2 a. m. Wednesday, appeared in municipal court to answer a charge of reckless driving. The sergeant accused Fox of traveling at 50 miles an hour and in a reckless manner. Fox pleaded guilty.

"Your fine would be \$30 according to the precedent in this court," reflected Acting Judge Delch, "but I'm going to save you some money. You will serve two days in jail."

The bailiff took charge of the prisoner.

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# Missing Woman Is Found, While Under Influence of Drugs

Wanted by the federal authorities since her disappearance July 27 from the Berkeley hotel, Mrs. Ethel Novak was found by police Tuesday night in the home of two negroes, William Smith and James F. Williams, at 583 Montgomery street. She was under the influence of narcotic drugs and was sent to St. Vincent's hospital. Smith was sentenced to 120 days in jail by the municipal court.

# HARDING ADVISES REFORESTATION AS HIGH COST REMEDY

By J. Bart Campbell  
Marion, Ohio, Aug. 18.—(I. N. S.)—Conservation and reforestation of the country's timber lands as means of reducing the high cost of building and relieving the consequent high rents and scarcity of dwellings and apartment houses, was urged today by Senator Warren G. Harding, Republican nominee for president, in an address to the lumbermen here today at the day of the Marion district gathered at Lincoln park, on the outskirts of Marion.

**FUTURE NEGLECTED**

"We have been drawing on our timber supply without any thought of the future," said Harding.

"The American Forestry association has given us figures to show that three fifths of the original timber of the country has been consumed. It is of little value to recall the waste with which we have cut our timber, except that we ought to have learned lessons which will enable us to avoid so much of waste in the future.

"We have learned not to speak of the infinite waste and the mounting cost of

incidents to war activities. Our present concern is that of peace. Ours is a nation of homes. The realization of our highest hopes lies in the continued construction and improved character of our homes, because they have the first influence in the standard of American living.

**LUMBER PRIME NEED**

"Quite apart from furnishings and the almost limitless numbers of varied utilities, lumber in the fire requirements of the prospective home builder. The importance of this is emphasized by the reminder that America needs 4,000,000 additional homes today. Any people which cannot dependably rely upon its lumber supply would face a very serious situation.

"I am thinking particularly of that conservation work which means the continued building of homes for the housing of a people which must ever continue to elevate the American standard of living. Ours is already the highest in the world, but we must ever continue to lift the standard still higher.

# Name Same, but He Is Not Bootlegger

H. S. Harcourt of 800 East Thirtieth street has been getting so much good-natured "chaffing" of late because a man named Henry Harcourt has been in the public eye in connection with bootlegging charges, that he has grown weary of explaining the mistaken identity. To cap the climax, Harcourt said he received a long distance telephone call from Vancouver, B. C., in which some official ordered him to go to Vancouver at once "to save himself trouble." The Harcourt of bootleg notes is of a different family entirely and is unknown to H. S. Harcourt.

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