

PORTLAND COUNCIL OF SCOUTS GIVEN PRAISE BY COLT

The fact that the quality of work done by the Portland Council of Boy Scouts ranks with the best in the entire country, according to the verdict of the National Scout executive, James E. West, and the fact that the operating expense of the local council, per Scout, is less than half that of the country's average and less than that of cities of comparable size, gives the Portland council enviable distinction and was dwelt upon in the report of the president, C. C. Colt, at the annual meeting of the council, held Wednesday at noon at the Hotel Portland.

James E. Brockway, the Scout executive, called attention to the fact that Seattle is working on a budget of \$20,000, with 1574 Scouts, and Spokane is working on a budget of \$1,000, with 700 Scouts, while Portland is working on a budget of \$10,000, with 2200 Scouts.

Short addresses commending the work were made by Dr. Joshua Stanfield, pastor of the First M. E. church, who declared that the men of today can perform no greater religious work than to head up the Boy Scout work as scoutmasters or councilmen, and by T. H. Sherrard of the forest service; H. W. Stone, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., and P. A. Rasch, Scout commissioner.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, C. C. Colt; vice presidents, Adolph Wolfe, L. Allen Lewis and J. A. Cranston; treasurer, E. C. Sammons; Scout commissioner, Alex C. Itae; Scout executive, James E. Brockway.

The following men were elected to the council for three years: Edward E. Ehrman, H. C. Ewing, W. L. Finley, J. E. Forestel, Frank E. Harrigan, D. A. Grout, H. M. Haller, Franklin T. Griffith, Charles A. Hart, R. C. Hart, Otto F. Hartwig, Eric V. Hauser, E. B. Hazen, Rufus Holman, David T. Honeyman, M. H. Houser, R. S. Howard, C. S. Jackson, Homer V. Carpenter, C. S. Jacobson, Victor A. Johnson, John A. Keating, Frank B. Kistner, Antoine G. Labbe, R. A. Leiter, Frank J. Leonard, S. P. Lockwood, W. B. Mackay, Wallace McCamant, O. W. Mielke, L. B. Menefer, C. H. Chenowith, Phil Metchan, Emory Olmstead, D. C. O'Reilly, Dr. W. W. Youngson, Reed A. Rasch, A. F. Fiegel, John N. Edlisen and J. S. Ball.

Briefs Submitted In Power Company's Case Against Bank

Presentation of arguments of A. C. Chumasero and Emma McNabb Buxton, appearing individually and also in behalf of all persons holding bonds of the Umpqua Water, Light & Power company, against the Commerce Trust & Savings bank, were completed Wednesday before Federal Judge Wolverton and briefs submitted. According to the complaint the bank, which is trustee of the holders of the first mortgage, is

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seeking to foreclose on the company, as the principal and interest are long overdue. Holders of the second mortgage have joined bond holders of the company to prevent this move. Judge Wolverton took the case under advisement.

U. S. Indian School In Alaska Burned; Teacher Is Injured

Seattle, Nov. 25.—(U. P.)—With the thermometer registering 59 degrees below zero, the United States Indian school at Circle, Alaska, was burned to the ground Tuesday and the teacher, Mrs. Ella B. Cupples, formerly of Seattle, faces a 150-mile trip over the Arctic ice to the town of Eagle. Mrs. Cupples was slightly burned, and all her effects were lost. Report of the destruction of the building was received here by W. T. Lopp, chief of the Alaska division of the bureau of education, in a cablegram.

Cleaning Apparatus For Drainage Basin Work Being Tested

The department of public affairs has received and is testing out a new improved eductor for cleaning out and carrying away the sediment accumulating in the city's drainage basins. The machine, which costs \$3800, is operated by three men, eliminates six additional men and three horses and dump carts formerly used in clearing the drainage deposits of the city at a saving of approximately \$8736 a year, according to Commissioner of Public Affairs C. A. Bigelow, who had the members of the city council out observing the operation of the new machine Wednesday morning.

OFFICIAL FAMILY AT WASHINGTON OBSERVES HOLIDAY

Washington, Nov. 25.—(I. N. S.)—Diplomats, cabinet members and representatives of the army, navy and judiciary, celebrated Thanksgiving this morning by attendance at the solemn high mass celebrated in

honor of the day by the apostolic delegate, the Most Rev. John Bonzano. Cardinal Gibbons was present and the Right Rev. Cornelius S. Thomas, rector of St. Patrick's, preached the sermon.

President Wilson spent the morning quietly at the White House, engaged on his coming message to congress, while Mrs. Wilson, accompanied by several close relatives, attended services at St. Johns.

The president's example was followed by a number of cabinet officers, who put the finishing touches to their annual reports. The president's Thanksgiving day dinner was scheduled for 7 o'clock, with rival turkeys from Kentucky and Texas gracing either end of the White House table. Only close relatives of the president and Mrs.

Wilson will be present. With turkeys from 46 to 70 cents a pound, the 250,000 clerks and employees of the government ate sparingly. Most of them are beginning to realize that only 99 days separate them from the loss of their jobs. Office-seekers who have begun to gather here are also beginning to realize that they will have to fight hard for every open position from cabinet portfolios down to watchman in the botanical gardens. Cardinal Gibbons this afternoon will officiate at the dedication of the \$200,000 school for girls of St. Aloysius parish.

Portland Girl "Attacked"
San Francisco, Nov. 25.—(U. P.)—Edward (K. O.) Kruvosky, pugilist, and Allen McDonnell were arrested here early today on charges preferred by Jessie Montgomery of Reno, Nev., and

Jean Stanley of Portland, Or., both aged 18. According to the story told the police, the two girls spent last evening at a dance hall, where, they said, they met some strange men who asked them to go auto riding. The ride, according to the girls, ended at a Howard street rooming-house. Miss Stanley said she escaped by leaping through a window and called the police.

Championship Is Claimed
Oregon City, Nov. 25.—Playing on an extremely muddy field at Canemah park Wednesday afternoon the McLoughlin Institute football team won over the Eastham school squad with a score of 26 to 0. The McLoughlin team has won from Gladstone and Willamette and lost a former game to Eastham. They are claiming the county grade school championship.

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