

# BUSINESS MEN RAISING MONEY FOR SUFFERERS

Fired with zeal for their humanitarian cause, and determined that Oregon's \$250,000 quota of the national \$3,000,000 fund called for by Herbert Hoover for the starving children of Europe shall be raised in record time, an energetic little army of the city's leading business and professional men started out from European relief council headquarters, 522 Selling building, bright and early this morning.

Working in teams of two, and with a picked list of prospects from whom substantial block subscriptions are expected, the campaigners at noon were already reporting splendid progress and predicting that the big quota would be rolled up without difficulty by January 1.

**TEAMS WORKING**  
Frank Ransom, personal representative of W. B. Ayer, who organized the campaign forces at the personal request of Herbert Hoover, said at noon today that the outlook for a speedy completion of the campaign and rapid rolling up of the quota, is most promising.

"The workers began coming as early as 8 o'clock," said he, "and they are still coming. By 10 o'clock we had upward of 50 teams out in the field, and before the day is over we will have twice that number. They are reporting in that the response is prompt and gratifying. The public is already pretty well informed as to the tragic situation abroad, where 3,500,000 little war-waifs are starving to death, and as soon as our campaigners present themselves and

# Stamp Series in Honor of Pilgrim Fathers' Landing

In observance of the centenary anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims, the postal department has issued a new series of stamps, according to information received by Postmaster John M. Jones.

The new green 1-cent stamp contains the illustration and inscription "Mayflower." The new red 2-cent shows the "Landing of the Pilgrims," and the new blue 5-cent shows the "Signing of the Compact."

Postmaster Jones has not yet received a shipment of the new stamps.

begin to tell the appealing story, checks are forthcoming immediately."

The "Flying Squadron" will keep the fire today and tomorrow, and on Wednesday morning 400 trained salesmen from the fiscal agencies, insurance firms, bond houses and mercantile companies will begin the systematic, general canvass of the business and industrial sections. When they have finished, the women's division, under the leadership of Mrs. W. C. Alvord, will inaugurate a popular campaign, just following Christmas, and predictions are that the balance of the quota will be secured several days before the end of the year.

As there will not be a systematic canvass of the residence sections, Chairman R. H. Strong urges that subscribers in these districts send in their contributions direct to headquarters, 522 Selling building, without waiting to be called upon.

Many subscriptions are already pouring in and on Saturday the students and faculty of Reed college sent in \$242.90 with the cheering message that there would be more to come later.

**Pool Room Robbed of \$60**  
Entering through an unlocked door, burglars robbed the pool room of Tony Tyndal, 623 First street, early Sunday morning, stealing \$60. The money was taken from the till, where it was kept for change.

# COUNTY IS PEEVED WHEN SOCIETIES ROW OVER ROOMS

Rumblings of discontent over the allocation of quarters in the Multnomah county courthouse for various organizations that are not officially part of the county government have been reaching the members of the board of county commissioners for weeks. Today they reached such an acute stage that the commissioners indicated they would have a drastic "house cleaning" unless the dove of peace can find a more permanent resting place.

"I'm in favor of cleaning 'em all out of the courthouse and letting them find quarters elsewhere," declared Commissioner Holman. "It seems our favors have not been appreciated and that when one organization gets accommodations it feels it should extend no aid to any other organization in the way of joint use of rooms, even though its quarters should be used not more than one day a week."

Chairman Hoyt said he felt there would have to be a rearrangement that would eliminate the feelings that have been engendered or that the courthouse should be cleared.

"It's your trouble, gentlemen," grinned Commissioner Muck. "I'll be out of it all in another week." And Commissioner-elect Charles Rudeen, who was sitting with the board, had a brief glimpse of troubles ahead.

The immediate "ruction" is over the rooms used by the Oregon Humane society. One of these had been allotted to the Grade Teachers' association, but as it meets so seldom, the humane society was permitted to use the room for consultations and examinations. The grade teachers have a load of office equipment awaiting up on a top floor while they contend for the exclusive use of the room—and the humane society wants the same privilege.

# MORE EVIDENCE POINTS TO WELCH

South Bend, Wash., Dec. 20.—Further evidence that Fred Welch, charged with blowing up the dredger Beaver, on North river and held in the county jail, as a result of the coroner's inquest, was never in the river as claimed by him, developed Sunday night when he was shown a purse, which was taken from him when the dredger blew up and he was found standing on the dredger.

He had claimed at the inquest that he was blown off the dredger into the river and was under water, but the contents of the purse, including paper money and signed checks, were perfectly dry. He admitted that, it looked bad for him when shown the purse, otherwise he kept his nerve.

It developed that he tried to get Blanche, the dead daughter of his employer, Frank Behnke, and one of the victims of the explosion, to accept gifts from him, but she declined them all. Welch is about 40 years old and she was 17.

**JURY CALLED AS ADVISORY TO COURT IN HABEAS CORPUS**  
The unusual spectacle of a jury "advisory to the court" in a habeas corpus case was to be seen today in Judge Muck's courtroom of the Multnomah county circuit court. The jury was called at the request of the judge, to pass upon questions of fact.

This is the last chapter in the long continuing litigation over the possession of Josephine Bertha Baker. The contestants are Nora Alice Baker Kelly, mother of the girl, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nelson, to whom the girl was given by the will of her father, who has since considered her as their own child. The mother has since remarried and is in a position where she wants to make a home for the child. The Nelsons declare she gave up all claim to the child when it was turned over to them.

The legal proceedings over the Baker girl began in the old county court, continued in the later court of domestic relations and eventually went to the circuit court under the application for a writ of habeas corpus.

# Value of Decision In Basin Rate Seen; New Demand Looms

More important than the addition of 4000 miles to the exclusive trade territory of Portland by the decision in the Columbia basin rate case is the decree of the interstate commerce commission that cost of service bears some relation to ratemaking, said John H. Lothrop, secretary of the Portland Traffic & Transportation company, in addressing members of the Chamber of Commerce on effects of the rate case at noon today.

Lothrop intimated that the decision of the committee would be made the basis of another rate case. Lothrop said that the competitive territory in the Northwest was now more than four times greater than for Puget Sound ports.

That Portland had the moral courage to fight for something which belonged to her was of vastly more importance than the additional commercial supremacy it means for the city, is the opinion of Walter P. La Roche, city attorney. Allen Lewis said that if this rate had been effective when the C. M. & St. P. line built through to the West, it could not have afforded to have passed up Portland. Other speakers were George Lawrence Jr., Arthur H. Devers and James J. Rafferty.

Rafferty is commercial agent for the United States bureau of foreign and domestic commerce in the Philippines and made an appeal for the local chamber to pass a resolution for the repeal of section 21 of the merchant marine bill.

# Thieves Steal War Relics and Jewelry

Boring holes through the wood panels, burglars unlocked the front door of the home of J. C. Walrach, 2008 Hermosa boulevard, Friday night, stealing jewelry and war relics valued at \$200. The loot included a revolver, suit case, rings, German maps, a German belt and other relics of the war.

# MANY KILLED BY ARGENTINE QUAKE

Buenos Aires, Dec. 20.—(U. P.)—A message from Mendoza today stated that as a result of the earthquake in that city and vicinity Saturday, 11 persons were killed and about 300 injured. Several small villages were reduced to ruins. There were additional shocks yesterday, but no casualties were reported.

**Room Robbed of \$19.50**  
While Elmer Buggert and A. Benson slept in their room in the Read hotel, Fourth and Salmon streets, a robber entered and stole \$19.50 some time between 2 a. m. and 3 p. m. Sunday. Benson lost \$7 and Buggert \$12.50.

**Faces Federal Charge**  
John Graham of Klamath Falls was brought to Portland Sunday and lodged in the county jail by United States Marshal George Alexander, in default of \$1000 bail, to answer to the grand jury on a charge of selling liquor to an Indian. Graham was bound over to the grand jury by United States Commissioner Bert C. Thomas.

# THE BRUTE!

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# JEWELRY COMPANY ACCUSED OF FALSE ADVERTISING

On complaint of the Better Business bureau, Deputy District Attorney Thomas H. Maguire has issued a warrant for the arrest of Joseph Seaman, manager of the Keystone Jewelry company, charging false and misleading advertising.

The Better Business bureau states that investigation has disclosed many discrepancies in the advertising of this company, but complaints were filed on only three items. This is the first of a number of cases that will be prosecuted unless methods are changed, says Charles W. English, manager of the bureau, as there has been much misrepresentation and fake jewelry sales in Portland within the last few weeks.

# Farm Earns \$338.05

The November report of products on the Multnomah county farm, submitted to the county commissioners today by U. S. Smith, farm foreman, shows a total production for the month of \$1371.73, while the expenses were \$1538.05, leaving a balance of \$338.05. Materials to the value of \$1772.12 were purchased for the improvement of the dairy barn.

# Judge Belt on Bench

Circuit Judge Harry Belt of Dallas came to Portland today to sit in sessions of the Multnomah county circuit court for the remainder of the week. He began hearings in an extra department, room 360 of the courthouse, at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

# To Pay City's Claim

The county commissioners today ordered the payment to the city of \$2244.16 for the recent paving of the Morrison street bridge by the city paving plant.

# Interstate Bridge Commission to Hold Meeting on Tuesday

The last meeting for 1920 of the interstate bridge commission will be held at the courthouse in Vancouver, Wash., at 10 o'clock Tuesday forenoon, and thereafter the personnel of the commission will be changed. John P. Kiggins retires as a member from Clarke county, Washington, by virtue of his retirement from the office of county commissioner and assumption of the duties of mayor of Vancouver. A new county commissioner for that county will take his place. A. A. Muck retired by reason of the completion of his term as Multnomah county commissioner, and Charles Rudeen will take his place.

# Demurrer in Union Bank Case Overruled

A demurrer to the suit brought by the Union National bank of Seattle against the Oregon, Washington & Idaho Airplane company to recover \$10,200, was overruled this morning by Federal Judge Wolverton. The money is said to have been given by the bank to J. C. Sullivan of Seattle last summer to secure delivery of a Curtis Seagull airplane from the express with the payment of the money to the bank was guaranteed within 60 days by Julius L. Meier, president of the Oregon, Washington & Idaho Airplane company, the complaint states. Sullivan has yet failed to repay the bank. The case will probably be set for trial within a short time.

# Rossmann to Talk on Autos and Safety

Municipal Judge Rossmann will talk to automobile owners and operators tonight in Library hall on "Automobiles, Pedestrians and Law Enforcement in the fourth free lecture being conducted by the National Safety council, Hugh H. Herdman, chairman of the local branch of the council, announced today. "The Power Plant Engine" will be discussed by J. E. Spencer of the Oregon School of Technology as the second feature of tonight's educational meeting. Hugh H. Herdman will preside.

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