

FESTIVAL INVITES PRETTY MAIDS OF OUTLYING CITIES

Pretty maids from various Oregon cities and communities will be given an opportunity to participate in official Rose Festival events this year. At the semi-weekly meeting of the festival officials Tuesday, action was taken for the extension of official invitations to each Oregon city or community having one or more entries in the floral parade on Friday, June 23, to choose and send to Portland three of its prettiest girls to officiate as members of Queen Harriet's retinue.

This action was taken upon suggestion of William P. Merry, in charge of outside participation, who reported unprecedented numbers of entries already in from outside points, and asked that appreciation of outside cooperation be shown in the way suggested. Official invitations to all cities or communities in the state having entries listed will be sent out today.

The festival officials at the close of the meeting announced a definite schedule of the leading events listed on the festival program. On Tuesday, June 20, the arrival, reception and coronation of Queen Harriet will be the leading features, with a luncheon to Queen Harriet and her court, the opening of the festival center, and of the annual Rose Show.

\$256,000 Raised To Give Astoria Modern Hostelry

Astoria, May 17.—The new hotel projected for Astoria was assured Tuesday when the stock selling organization reported that \$256,000 had been subscribed. The goal set for the campaign was \$250,000.

While the construction of the hotel is in the hands of a committee, it is expected that work will be commenced on it without undue delay.

A site has already been obtained on Fourteenth street from Commercial to Duane streets, his site, one of the most central available in the city, is regarded as ideal for the purpose, lying as it does between the two main streets by which the Columbia highway enters the city.

Portland Boys in College Election

University of Oregon, Eugene, May 17.—Middle Edmund, Doug Farrell and James Meek, all of Portland, and Ray Hartan, Klamath Falls, were nominated for the presidency of next year's junior class at Villard hall, Tuesday night. Mildred Weeks, Margaret Alexander and Gene Bailey, all of Portland, and Edna Largent of Silverton were the nominees for vice president. Ada Harkness of Tacoma, Wash., is the only nominee for secretary, while Emil Glio, San Diego, Cal., and Paul Sayre of Island City will run for treasurer. Elections will be held in a week.

Roseburg Resident Hurt in Car Mishap

Roseburg, May 17.—Peter Dorch Sr., aged resident of Roseburg, was seriously injured Monday evening when an automobile in which he was riding with his son, Peter Dorch Jr., ran off the highway south of Roseburg while passing a car driven by A. F. Zabel of Myrtle Creek. Dorch was badly bruised and suffered several broken bones when the car overturned into a ditch. He is 60 years old and his condition is serious. Zabel was arrested, charged with careless driving and driving a car without a proper license. He appeared in court and pleaded guilty and agreed to pay the Durths for damage done.

Woman Held as Forger



Maud Myrtle Johnson, in jail on charges of passing worthless checks, who bears sobriquet of "Queen of Swindlers."

Six Destroyers To Participate in Festival of Roses

Six destroyers from the Pacific fleet will participate in the Portland Rose Festival, it was announced today in a telegram from Admiral Edward W. Eberle, commander-in-chief of the fleet, sent from San Pedro to Congressman C. N. McArthur and turned over to William F. Merry, chairman of the outside participation committee of the Rose Festival association.

The ships will be here throughout the festival, June 20 to 23, under command of Commander L. N. McNair, the admiral's aide in attending the previous order that they would be available on the old dates. The ships in destroyer division 11, assigned here, are the Chauncey, Fuller, Percival, John Francis Burns, Farragut and Sommers.

David Pepp Accused Of Issuing Bad Check

David A. Pepp, an automobile dealer, was arrested today by constables on a charge of issuing a check for \$100 with insufficient funds to cover the amount. He was released on \$500 bond, pending a hearing next Wednesday. The complaint was made by Marie O'Neal, former employe in Pepp's office, who alleged that the check was presented her on December 15 in payment for salary due. Miss O'Neal alleged that she had been ill for five months with influenza and that she had been unable to collect the amount due her.

Lad Is Run Down, Dragged 60 Feet

While crossing Williams avenue near Russell street Tuesday afternoon, Roland Walker, age 8, was knocked down by an automobile and dragged 60 feet. He was taken to St. Vincent's hospital, where it is believed he has a fractured skull. The car which struck the boy

WOMAN, ALLEGED SWINDLER, TAKEN; CHARGE FORGERY

Maud Myrtle Johnson, known to police and railroad claim agents throughout the United States a few years ago as "Queen of Fakes," was arrested in Portland late Tuesday afternoon on charges of forgery. Mrs. Johnson is said to have swindled railroad companies out of thousands of dollars through her ability to fake business while riding on railroad trains. According to the police, she is able to throw joints out of place, tear ribs loose and cough up blood at will. One of her tricks, so the story goes, is to place a bottle against one of her ribs and then to throw herself on it at any sudden jerk of the train, tearing the rib loose. She could not only seemingly injure herself in this manner but the trick would cause hemorrhages. She is said to have won damages from railroads in this manner to the extent of \$22,000. Her smallest claim that was granted her was \$2800 and the largest \$22,000. She has fleeced 19 railroads in this manner, it is said, and damages paid her have run up into a good sized fortune. She was arrested here on charges of

having given out, or caused to be given out, checks on deposit and savings banks amounting to \$22,000. To the bewilderment of the inspector's bureau took her into custody at Fourth and Salmon streets. E. H. Troutman, said to be her accomplice, was arrested with her on similar charges. Police believe he handled out some of Mrs. Johnson's worthless checks signed Edith Hayes. Mrs. Johnson is at present at the head of a show troupe which has proved a failure. Police today were investigating what they believe may be Maud Myrtle Johnson's latest game — a correspondence school.

Over two months ago she opened offices of the Mitchell Institute at No. 703 Dekum building and sent out a prospectus of her school, which included commercial courses and short story and scenario writing. In her prospectus she named D. A. C. faculty members as instructors in some of her courses. Information regarding her school was placed in the hands of police this morning by an advertising man whom she employed to do some work for her. In jail this morning the woman admitted she had a number of outstanding bills as the result of her attempt to start the school.

She said she sold the school over a month ago to a man named Wilson. She said she didn't know his initials, or where he could be found. Police have found nothing against the woman in her correspondence school venture, except the number of bills. She said none of the courses in her schools had been opened, except short story work and scenario writing. She

has written stories for years, but that she had never been in connection with stores amounting to \$22,000. To the bewilderment of the inspector's bureau took her into custody at Fourth and Salmon streets.

COLUMBIA RIVER RISING

Vancouver, Wash., May 17.—The river has risen nine tenths of a foot since warm weather set in, the gauge showing 11.2 this morning. A maximum temperature of 89 degrees was registered Tuesday at the government station here.

STUDENTS AID LIBRARY

Elgin, May 17.—High school students assisted by members of the library board gave an entertainment Friday night for the benefit of the library fund. A film dramatization of "Robin Hood" was part of the program. Members of the domestic arts class made a display of their work which caused much favorable comment.

Marshall and Atwater Telephone Office

As a part of the big program of telephone development for Portland this year, it becomes necessary to change some of the present office prefixes in order to improve the interchange of calls between manual and automatic offices. It will be impossible to continue the prefix Marshall, as machine switching subscribers must dial the first two letters of prefix and the first two letters of Marshall are identical with the first two letters of Main. The prefix Atwater has therefore been assigned for the present Marshall exchange.

In order to avoid a double number change for subscribers in that district, all new installations and changes will be assigned the Atwater prefix. Until the new directory is issued calls giving either prefix Marshall or Atwater will be completed to the proper number, as these prefixes will both be continued in service. By following this plan, the Telephone Company will insure regular service to its patrons with the least inconvenience to all concerned.

Patrons should remember that the two prefixes are synonymous and interchangeable, therefore, if you call for Atwater and the operator gives you a report using the Marshall prefix, the proper effort has been made to secure the Atwater number.



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