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NEW YORK CITY POSTMASTER IS SHOT

GOMPERS WINS FIGHT FOR LABOR FEDERATION PRESIDENCY

VESTA VAN VLACK HAD HARD TIME

BATTLED WORLD ALL BY HERSELF

Hard work and a lonely, miserable life were the causes which lead up to the elopement and subsequent death of little 15-year-old Vesta Van Vlack, according to a letter written by the girl to her father, F. Van Vlack of this city, in which she implores his permission to marry James Gibson, who is now under arrest in San Francisco in connection with an alleged "leg" operation, which caused her death. A similar letter from Gibson to the girl's father shows his good intentions and a de-

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MYSTERY SURROUNDS SHOOTING

OF E. M. MORGAN BY STENOGRAPHER

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Nov. 9.—Ed. M. Morgan, postmaster of New York city, was shot down and fatally wounded by an assassin who accosted him as he was leaving his home near 146th street and Broadway today. The man turned the revolver on himself and blew out his own brains. The assassin was afterwards identified as Eric H. Mackay a stenographer employed by the law firm of Hill, Hunt & Botts.

Mackay approached Morgan, who was accompanied by his 12-year-old

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TARS NOT ALLOWED TO LAND

MANILA MERCHANTS COMPLAIN

(United Press Leased Wire.) (By H. Lee Clotworthy, staff correspondent United Press aboard U. S. S. Georgia, Manila, P. I.)—Although no new cases of cholera have been reported for two days, Admiral Sperry refuses to allow any of the men to go ashore to participate in the celebration that has been planned for the fleet's reception these many months and which has been twice delayed by fear of cholera.

The citizens of Manila resent this

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TO RELIEVE CONGESTION OF SCHOOLS

RUSH WORK ON NEW BUILDING

The school board held a meeting Saturday evening and a large bulk of important school issues were taken up and transacted by the board including the regular routine matters such as allowing bills and hearing the reports of teachers from the different schools.

The board is taking immediate steps toward making the building of the new school for which a site has been lately purchased, and owing to the number of pupils registered daily in this city, the officials of the city schools will be compelled to rush this work along as rapidly as possible in order to accommodate them. An additional room is now being finished on the upper floor of the South Lincoln school to take care of the attendance. The registration in this district has been so large this season that many of the children

GOMPERS ELECTION CONCEDED

LABOR CONVENTION OPENING

(United Press Leased Wire.) Denver, Colo., Nov. 9.—The reelection of Samuel Gompers as president of the American Federation of Labor was practically conceded when the twenty-eighth annual convention was called to order at 10 o'clock here today.

Opposition to Gompers, based upon his espousal of the cause of William J. Bryan in the recent campaign, has failed to crystallize as his enemies hoped it would. There is a strong sentiment in favor of James M. Lynch of the Typographical union and John Mitchell of the coal miners, for the presidency but the indications are that there will be little real opposition to Gompers when it comes to an actual vote.

The convention was opened by address of welcome by Governor Buchtel, Mayor Speer and the state

THEATRE CONDITIONS CHANGING

MAY DO WITHOUT OPERA HOUSE

With 17 first class attractions that draw big houses in other cities, the Grand opera house is not patronized by the people of Salem. It is not paying Manager Cordray, and hence is not paying the Odd Fellows lodge of this city who are the owners, and it is only a question of time unless the house can be filled up when it will be changed into an office building. With good music and good plays Salem does not support it as a city of 17,000 people should do. The owners and lessee may ask the city to condemn it and close it up.

SALEM AT THE APPLE FAIR

The Salem business people propose to go to the Albany Apple Fair right, or know the reason why. Bright and early this morning, the committees went to work selling tickets, and full arrangements will be made for a special train. In order to secure this, it will be necessary to sell 250 tickets, and they will undoubtedly be forthcoming.

A band will probably be engaged, and the Salem boosters will go up to Lyon county's capital with a whirl. Marion county will have an exhibit of a first-class character, as it is in charge of a committee of our best apple growers. E. C. Armstrong, the county fruit inspector, went up Saturday evening with most of the fruit, and, by this time, it is all in position, ready to take that blue ribbon. It is only fair to say, however, that the committee did not start out with the expectation of taking the ribbon. Their chief object is to treat Albany with the utmost courtesy, and help to make the apple fair a success. The Lyon county growers always help out our Cherry fair, as well as our Horse Show and State Fair. Hence, Salem is determined to do her part for Albany's Apple Fair. It will be a great show of Willamette valley apples, and should be visited by every man, woman and child who can possibly get away.

The committees are selling cards which are good at the passenger depot, for a railroad ticket. Ribbons and banners will be in existence, and a splendid day is in store for all who attend.

WIRELESS MESSAGES ARE SENT LONG DISTANCE

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., Nov. 9.—The wireless operators at Tatoosh Islands, since the recent record-breaking long distance message from Lower California to the Farallones are endeavoring today to reach the 2500 mile record reached by one of them Saturday night.

A wireless operator heard the northwest station send an order from the armored cruiser West Virginia of the Pacific fleet for lumber with which to construct targets. The message came overland a greater part of the distance and this is considered the unusual part of the performance.

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THE WEAPON WE FIGHT WITH IS LOW PRICES

CHICAGO STORE

PEOPLES BARGAIN HOUSE

WE SELL MARSHALL FIELD'S OF CHICAGO. THE BEST IN AMERICA

Salem's Greatest Store

FOR THE QUICK SELLING OF MERCHANDISE OFFERS DURING THIS WEEK'S SALE UP-TO-DATE NEW GOODS AT PRICES THAT WILL MAKE A LIVELY PACE FOR OUR COMPETITORS. REMEMBER, WE ARE LEADERS, NOT FOLLOWERS. JUST RECEIVED BY EXPRESS, THE LATEST IN THE FOLLOWING:

Women's Suits and Coats, Dress Skirts, Furs, Silk Petticoats, Children's Coats, Sweaters, New Waisting Silks, New Dress Goods, Millinery, Kid Gloves, Ruching Etc.



100 New Suits

Just received. They are beautiful. The latest modified Directoire and Sheath effects. Material the latest. We ask Small Prices.

\$8.50, \$10.50 \$12.50 and up

\$7.50 Black Silk Petticoats, while they last for \$3.95

Ladies' Coats

In Black and Colors; the very latest.

Price \$4.95, \$6.90 \$8.90 and up

Dress Goods and Silks

The greatest stock in Salem. Price, yard, 25c, 30c, 40c, 65c and up

Chicago Store
SALEM, OREGON

SOME IMPORTANT EVENTS

Samuel Gompers is making the fight of his life to hold his position at the head of the American Federation of Labor. Ruth Bryan Leavitt, daughter of William Jennings Bryan, will not sue for a divorce, it being abhorrent to her family, but will ask a legal separation. Ten glass plants have resumed operations and several other big employers of labor have re-opened since the election of Taft. Nat. C. Goodwin married Actress Edna Goodrich at the Goodwin home in Boston. Victorien Sardou, great French dramatist, died in Paris yesterday at the age of 72. The undergraduates of the Stanford University are up in arms against President Jordan; this time for the suspension of the seven members of the "Plug Ugly Committee," a fun organization. The five members of the family of Charles E. Tayntor, a wealthy granite dealer in New York, were held up by burglars in their home and \$10,000 in jewelry taken.

are compelled to attend schools in other districts. The board are determined to remedy this difficulty and are putting forth every effort to range matters as soon as possible. During the meeting the board was given a cordial invitation to attend the banquet which was being held at the high school by the Eugene and Salem football teams, but as the business which the board had on hand was so extensive, they were unable to join the happy crowd. However, Prof. Powers was dispatched to the banquet room and in addressing the students informed them that the directors were too busy making room for the enormous number of pupils now arriving daily to attend the high school.

City Superintendent J. M. Powers submitted a suggestive report to the board who took consideration of same and adopted it. The report follows on page 2 of this issue.

A Suicide.
(United Press Leased Wire.) Walla Walla, Wash., Nov. 9.—W. T. Bunell, a laborer, lies dead at the morgue here today, having committed suicide yesterday by lying down in front of a fast train of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company 12 miles south of this city. After telling a friend that the failure he had made during his life had discouraged him.

An unknown hobo fell dead in a shed, while shaving, at Glendale, Or.