

THE BIG SHOW TONIGHT ATTRACTS MUCH ATTENTION

Everything is in complete readiness for the minstrel show presented tonight by the Elks. The scenery has been hung and the electric lights have been tested, and the whole production is ready for the middleman's command, "Gentlemen, be seated." W. B. Sargent will sit in the center and his confederates in crime, commonly known as endmen, are Messrs. Richey, Allison, Gilham, Gilman, Ramsey, Cross, Miller and Draper. These gentlemen will entertain with song, dance and jest, and they have all been trained to a law. Many a prominent Elk will "get his" and "be sorry he spoke." The parade is in the capable hands of Messrs. Chas. Cochrane, F. C. Bramwell, C. P. Ferrin and George Birnie, and this announcement is positive proof that the singing part of the show will be 18-karat strong. The closing of the first part is marked by a beautiful transformation scene which is very effective.

The olio, or second part, of the show is very strong and will com-

prise the following features. First comes a legitimate sketch, entitled the "Minstrel Man and the Porter," which is a high-class vaudeville act; then comes A. B. Heulat in monologue. He will tell funny experiences. Next comes the favorite L. D. S. quartet, which will alone be worth the money; a very funny act follows, entitled "The Death of the Gladiator," presented by Messrs. Coolidge, Rogers and Crow. This is a scream and made the hit of the Spokane show. Next comes Miss Etta Foley, who will introduce some new songs with an up-to-date effect.

The performance concludes both nights with a beautiful plantation act, entitled "Moonlight on the Mississippi," and introduces Mr. Birnie and Clint Draper in song and Messrs. Gatchell, Richey, Cross and others in a dancing act. The curtain goes up promptly at 8.30 and the show is two hours and 15 minutes long. The management expressly ask the audience to be in their places by that time, as



TOM SCROGGIN,
Inventor of Buck and Wing Dancing,
at the Opera House Tonight.

the opening is a pretty feature which should not be missed. The sale has been good and crowded houses are a certainty. Be on hand early and avoid the rush.

PECK'S BOY REALLY BAD

The fact that the famous farce comedy, "Peck's Bad Boy," is to be presented at the Steward on Thursday, February 13, suggests the tribute that to Hon. George W. Peck, ex-Governor of Wisconsin, the creator of the bad boy, as he is now so widely presented in the press and upon the stage, belongs the credit of having been the first to discover and exploit the almost limitless possibilities of humor and genuine, healthful and happiest fun latent in his aggressive make-up. If the boy is father to the man, George Peck is also father to the boy, who since his birth in print, now nearly a generation ago, has had so many imitators, but never a rival in originality, or those graphically natural touches of juvenile human eccentricity, which have made millions so happily hilarious, whether hidden between the covers of a book or given the center of theatrical production. The owners of the play in question are alone authorized by ex-Governor Peck to reproduce his story in the form indicated, and have done so with a liberality and faithfulness which he most highly commends. In short, the best and most entertaining story of its kind ever written has been converted into the brightest and most laughable farce comedy ever put before the public. Such has been the unanimous

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verdict for the past 20 years, and the many new features introduced this season serve to fully confirm it.

BUSTER BROWN

On the 18th of this month La Grande will have "Buster Brown at the Steward, with Master Reed in the title part. This is one of the best of the many musical comedies that are now bidding for favor. It is fairly rampant with fun, while this season all of the costumes are entirely new and most elaborate, every stick and stitch of the scenery is new, while new music and songs will also be heard. The chorus we are promised is said to be large and most comely of face and form. This attraction should offer us an enjoyable evening at the playhouse.

Interscholastic at Seattle Fair.
Lorin Grinstead, of the U. of W., secretary of the athletic conference held last week at the Y. M. C. A. building, was instructed by the delegates to try to perfect arrangements for a big intercollegiate track meet to be held in Seattle during the A.-Y.-P. exposition, according to the Walla Walla Bulletin. This will be the first time that a meet has ever been held when the northwest championship will be determined definitely. The meet will be made a feature of the fair.
The conference adjourned Saturday evening after an ironclad agreement, regulating athletics in the six institutions of the northwest, had been drawn up and signed by the 11 delegates.
The amateur rule is probably the

most sweeping of any ever adopted, and the delegates have bound themselves that their several institutions will live up to it for a period of at least two years. The rules will go into effect immediately after commencement in 1908.

PLEASING ENTERTAINMENT. Lecture Course Entertainment a Big Success.

Those who attended the illustrated lecture last evening by Artist Zwickey at the Central Church of Christ, were undoubtedly well pleased with his talk. Mr. Zwickey illustrated his address with crayon drawing, which he made with lightning rapidity. While his lecture was replete with sterling thoughts relative to higher art, he added much to the pleasure of the evening by well-timed and skillfully executed humor. Especially did he bring forth the smiles during his comments and illustrations of the ladies' millinery. All who attended were well pleased with his entertainment.

Employ Japs in Place of Whites.
The O. R. & N. is laying off all white section men except foreman, and installing Japanese, says the Walla Walla Gateway. The whites have been receiving \$1.50 per day and working about half time. The Japs are to receive \$1 per day, with no allowance for overtime. As Harriman and Hill seem to bear the passage by congress of an exclusion act, it behooves the companies to give employment to the hordes of foreigners that they have been rushing into the country lately in order to keep them here. Although one white man will do the work of two Japs, still if the Japs would leave and could not return, white men could not be secured at present prices.

TO CAMPAIGN COUNTY.
W. F. Anderson Will Speak at Various Points in the County.
W. F. Anderson, candidate before the republican primaries for the nomination of county clerk, is arranging to address the voters of the county on "Pure Politics." Places and dates will be announced later.

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