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It must be a lesson to all evangelists to see the way Gipsy Smith, the king of them all, handled that Portland meeting. It proves what most people have always thought—that the pulpit is not the place for the vaudeville show; that billingsgate and street slang are entirely unnecessary to touch people on religious topics. With the coming of Gipsy Smith it is sincerely hoped that the day of Billy Sunday and a number of imitators is over in the northwest.

The woolmen met at Baker and just came to a realization of what it would mean to have the tariff on wool tampered with. As a result they have raised a fund for educational purposes. It is a little late for they should have been at this long ago. Most insurgency in the halls of congress means a death knell to the wool industry of Eastern Oregon. Bear that in mind.

The city campaign is on in earnest, but where is the committee Mayor Richardson appointed recently to

Arcade Theatre

"In Switzerland"—Pathe. Beautiful and very interesting views of Lake Lucerne and of the ascent of Mt. Rigi are very fine.
"Poraging"—Vitagraph. Picture.
"The Zylens"—Are acrobats and give a very clever picture performance.
"Betty, the Moonshiner's Daughter"—Kalem.
"An Up-to-Date Elopement"—Pathe. A very lively comedy.
Mr. Sherwood Williams, our new and popular soloist, will sing: "You Dear."
Coming—"Colleen Bawn"—Kalem. Three acts. Remarkable in many ways particularly as every scene was taken in Ireland. 10c

make a report on a proposed commission form of government? This is of great importance and the report of that committee is awaited with intense interest.

Hark ye, the railroad commission of Oregon is in session. It has halted many men before its august presence to solve the rate problem for the interior country. Please don't smile. The commission may really mean to do something this time.

Uncle Sam has decided to send troops to China. Perhaps the missionaries will be pleased as well as all other Americans who have gone to the empire for different purposes.

Roundup Tonight.

Tonight at 8 o'clock the first performance of the Cheyenne Roundup pictures will start and La Grande will have the chance of seeing the world's greatest broncho busters in wonderful stunts. Buffalo Vernon is shown in these pictures handling the rope as no other living person has ever handled one. He is shown in the wonderful bull dogging which was such a wonderful sensation at the Pendleton Roundup. In fact every foot of the 2,000 feet of film that will be shown tonight is exciting to the extreme. The following is taken from the Baker Democrat: "The audience that visited the Cheyenne Roundup pictures were fortunate in seeing the best pictures of this kind ever shown in the city. The pictures were clear and distinct and were just as true to

life as if one was sitting in the grand stand seeing it in its natural state. These pictures beyond a doubt are the best that have ever been produced and far excel any roundup pictures that have ever been thrown on a screen."

THE REAL SANS-GENE.

Story of Her Adventurous Career in the French Army.

Every one knows the washerwoman who was so familiar with Napoleon in Victorien Sardou's play "Mme. Sans-Gené," but the real Sans-Gené who lived at that time was a dragoon in one of the great Corsican's armies and spent twenty years in camps and barracks, in campaigns and battles over Europe. In the Musée de l'Armée in Paris there is a special case inside which stands her equestrian statue.

Her real name was Marie Therese Figeure, and she was born in Burgundy in 1774. When ten, at the end of the reign of terror, she enrolled in a cavalry regiment commanded by one of her uncles and soon acquired the nickname of Sans-Gené.

Mme. Sans-Gené fought in Germany with the French and Bavarian armies, charged at Hohenlinden, took part in the siege of Toulon, was in the Italian, Spanish and Austrian campaigns and fought at Austerlitz and in Russia. During the hundred days the emperor conferred the Legion of Honor upon her, and she charged at Waterloo for the last time.

With the restoration she left the army to get married. She was then thirty. In the course of her marital career Sans-Gené had five horses shot under her and was wounded eight times in different engagements. She died in hospital in 1861.—London Globe.

P. A. FOLEY, COUNCILMANIC CANDIDATE, AS PICTURED BY GIRARD.



PYRAMID OF CHEOPS.

It Would Take a Hundred Millions to Duplicate It Today.

One of the most familiar questions asked by "personally conducted" tourists visiting Egypt and the great pyramid built by Cheops is, "I wonder how much it cost to build it?" A building contractor with a head for figures and building estimates has estimated that the Cheops pyramid could not be duplicated today for less than \$100,000,000. With modern machinery and the employment of 40,000 stone-cutters, haulers, quarrymen, masons and laborers a duplicate of the pyramid could be erected in two years.

It has been calculated that the work really required the services of 100,000 men for thirty years. The Cheops pyramid occupies a space of 12 1/2 acres and is 746 feet high and contains 143,315,000 cubic yards of stone and granite. The material alone represents an item of \$35,000,000, while the labor would increase this about by \$72,000,000. To this must be added \$3,000,000 for tools, transportation and similar items. The pyramid is built on a solid rock 150 feet deep, and to build a foundation of this character would add to the cost to the extent of making the total of \$100,000,000.—New York World.

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