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GUILFOYLE & HOSEN, splendid singing team, opens here the 21st. Acts will change with each change of pictures.

in inexplicable. It would seem unnatural but the elements conquered. My father, the late Captain John King for 31 years was Commodore captain of the Cunard fleet and never in that time lost a ship or even a passenger's life. Captain Smith I knew very well. He was a great personal friend of my father and in my boyhood days and years afterwards he was a constant visitor at our home. He went down with his ship. That is all that was expected of him—after somebody blundered. There were others on board—millionaires, world-famed men of influence, who stood by the doomed ship facing the inevitable death and sent the women and children away, and they were heroes, real heroes. Captain Smith's last wireless message typifies his sense of duty—Sinking by the head; have cleared the boats and filled them with women and children,—and I will wager my life that there was not even a coal trimmer or a dock rat longshoreman in the crew who did not stand by him and help him, and then die."

STORMS INJURE FORESTS.

Conservationists in the West must soon discover methods to prevent damage to the western forests from other sources than forest fire. During the past winter, Wenaha forests have suffered from severe snow storms. An interesting word picture of what the severe snow storms did in this way is told in the Walla Walla Bulletin: "Not in all my life have I seen such havoc wrought to a forest in any country by a snowstorm as is now visible in the Wenaha national forest," says S. W. Purdy, official cougar hunter for the Oregon fish and game commission. Purdy has just returned from a successful trip about the headwaters of the Umatilla river. The storm of which he spoke occurred late in February, but as the snow is only disappearing sufficiently to permit of travel in the mountains, the full effect is just becoming apparent. "It is hard to believe that such damage could be inflicted to trees by snow alone, but the mountaineers tell me the storm was unaccompanied by wind and that the great trees were broken down by the weight of the snow alone. It froze to the branches as it fell, not unlike the 'silver thaw' of western Oregon, but the extent of the damage was far greater. There were areas of considerable extent where less than half the timber is left standing. Great trees, three feet in diameter and more, were snapped off just above the base, or several feet in the air, while others less deeply rooted, were torn up as if by a cyclone. Others were bent over into a hopeless tangle, never to rise again. Probably worst of all is the mass of broken boughs which have literally covered the ground, making the mountain trails impassable, and providing a veritable tinder box for forest conflagrations."

According to Purdy, there is not a passable trail left in the forest and the rangers will have a hard task at the beginning of the season. He said he was compelled to carry an ax with him and then to pick his way around the bare ridges as much as possible. Many trails are pronounced impassable, even to footmen. There never has been so much snow in the mountains at this season of the year, according to old settlers. They

look upon this condition with favor, as it means there will be plenty of water in the mountains for their stock and that the range, while possibly a few weeks late, will be in splendid condition for the late summer. The grass has been growing under the snow and as fast as the snow line is moved back by the present warm weather the ranchers are following it up with their herds of cattle. The sheepmen will not be admitted to the national forests for several weeks yet.

The first families of Virginia claim no kin to the outlaw Allens, but the latter say they can trace their lineage to those families. Well, can't the first families of New Orleans be traced to the pirates that used to swarm the ocean?

The Chicago News suggests that while it is well to pay as you go, it is also wisdom to save enough to pay your way as you come back. But why should a man want to come back if he can pay as he goes?

United States has the second largest Italian city in the world. First is Rome and then New York, with 532,000 from the sunny country.

Here's honesty for you, Milk dealers in Turkey have a special name for that quality of the beverage which is adulterated with water.

"THIS IS MY 51ST BIRTHDAY."

John Grier Hibben. Dr. John Grier Hibben, the new president of Princeton university, was born in Peoria, Ill., April 19, 1861. He was graduated from Princeton in 1882. As an undergraduate he won many scholastic honors, and at graduation he was the valedictorian of his class. From 1883 to 1887 he studied at the Princeton Theological seminary and at the University of Berlin, and was ordained to the Presbyterian ministry in 1887, serving as pastor of a church at Chambersburg, Pa., from that year until 1891, when he returned to Princeton as an instructor in logic and psychology. The versatility of Dr. Hibben's scholarship has been amply demonstrated during the 20 years that he has been a member of the Princeton faculty, for, in addition to his work in logic and psychology, he has conducted classes in mathematics, Biblical literature and ethics.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

- April 19. 1775—Battles of Lexington and Concord, the first engagements of the American revolution. 1816—Indiana authorized by congress to form a constitution and state government. 1824—Lord Byron, the poet, died at Missolonghi, Greece. Born in London, Jan. 22, 1788. 1840—Rt. Rev. James Lartigue, Roman Catholic bishop of Montreal, died. Born June 20, 1777. 1850—Great Britain and the United States concluded the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. 1862—Simon Fraser, explorer of the Pacific northwest, died at St. Andrew's, Ont. Born in Vermont in 1776. 1864—Congress passed an act to enable the people of Nebraska to form a state government. 1882—Charles Darwin, author of "The Descent of Man," died. Born Feb. 12, 1809. 1904—Large part of the business district of Toronto destroyed by fire.

Primrose Day Observed.

London, April 19.—Members of parliament and others in official life, together with thousands of private citizens, appeared with primroses in their buttonholes today in observance of Primrose Day, otherwise of the anniversary of the death of Lord Beaconsfield. In accordance with its annual custom the Primrose league placed handsome decorations on the grave of the famous statesman in Hughendon cemetery and also about the base of the Beaconsfield monument in Parliament Square.

State Convention in Illinois.

Chicago, Ill., April 19.—As provided by law, the several political parties in Illinois held their state conventions today, the democrats meeting in Peoria, and the republicans and prohibitionists in Springfield. The work of the conventions consisted of the framing of the party platforms, the nomination of presidential electors and the selection of delegates to the national conventions. The major portion of the work was little more than perfunctory, as the action of the convention was guided by the results of the recent state-wide primaries.

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the BRITISH AMERICA ASSURANCE CO. in the Dominion of Canada, on the 31st day of December, 1911, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Capital	
Amount of capital paid up, Deposit	\$ 210,000.00
Income	
Premiums received during the year in cash	959,162.69
Interest, dividends, and rents received during the year	55,875.07
Income from other sources received during the year	1,343.60
Total income	\$1,010,381.36
Disbursements	
Losses paid during the year	\$ 623,220.90
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	300,029.92
Taxes, licenses, and fees paid during the year	31,890.02
Amount of all other expenditures	95,264.86
Total expenditures	\$ 950,405.10
Assets	
Value of stocks and bonds owned	\$1,292,781.71
Loans on mortgages and collateral	128.78
Cash in banks and on hand	235,375.91
Premiums in course of collection and in transmission	108,200.13
Interest and rents due and accrued	20,934.73
Total assets	\$1,657,481.26
Less special deposits in any state	12,131.73
Total assets admitted in Oregon	\$1,645,349.53
Liabilities	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	\$ 111,684.24
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	806,711.20
Due for commission and brokerage	1,309.64
All other liabilities, accrued taxes	14,297.44
Bills	1,000.00
Total liabilities	\$ 935,002.52
Total insurance in force December 31, 1911	\$155,413,839.00
Business in Oregon for the Year	
Total risks written during the year	\$ 103,399.00
Gross premiums received during the year	1,626.87
Premiums returned during the year	477.56
Losses paid during the year	1,002.25
Losses incurred during the year	994.75
Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon Dec. 31, 1911	43,043.00
BRITISH AMERICA ASSURANCE CO., By W. H. Banks, Secretary. Statutory resident general agent and attorney for service: E. L. Thompson, Portland, Or.	

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the INTERNATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO. of Saint Louis, in the State of Missouri, on the 31st day of December, 1911, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Capital	
Amount of capital paid up	\$ 620,350.00
Income	
Premiums received during the year	\$ 516,349.41
Interest, dividends, and rents received during the year	58,225.82
Income from other sources received during the year	49,213.46
Total income	\$ 613,788.69
Disbursements	
Paid for losses, endowments, annuities and surrender values	\$ 36,278.00
Dividends paid to policy holders during the year	47,837.27
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	327,959.97
Taxes, licenses, and fees paid during the year	23,009.66
Amount of all other expenditures	10,063.74
Total expenditures	\$ 445,148.64
Assets	
Market value of stocks and bonds owned	\$ 153,442.50
Loans on mortgages and collateral	829,301.65
Premium notes and policy loans (less excess \$950.74)	2,918.50
Cash in banks and on hand	179,303.73
Net uncollected and deferred premiums	52,073.36
Other assets (net)	19,970.87
Total assets	\$1,235,110.61
Total assets admitted in Oregon	\$1,235,110.61
Liabilities	
Net reserve	\$ 358,990.00
Total policy claims	17,000.00
All other liabilities	49,213.99
Total liabilities	\$ 425,203.99
Total insurance in force December 31, 1911	\$14,816,037.00
Business in Oregon for the Year	
Total risks written during the year	\$ 119,500.00
Gross premiums received during the year	4,100.28
Premiums returned during the year	623.04
Losses paid during the year	1,500.00
Losses incurred during the year	1,500.00
Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon Dec. 31, 1911	193,000.00
INTERNATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO., By W. F. Gantges, Secretary. Statutory resident general agent and attorney for service: W. E. Jones, La Grande, Or.	

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY, of Toronto, in the Dominion of Canada, on the 31st day of December, 1911, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Capital	
Amount of capital paid up, Deposit	\$ 207,000.00
Income	
Premiums received during the year in cash	\$1,457,385.70
Interest, dividends, and rents received during the year	84,095.11
Income from other sources received during the year	1,110.00
Total income	\$1,542,490.81
Disbursements	
Losses paid during the year	\$ 819,072.57
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	406,950.73
Taxes, licenses, and fees paid during the year	51,515.57
Amount of all other expenditures	222,581.37
Total expenditures	\$1,511,000.64
Assets	
Bills receivable	\$ 1,032.55
Value of stocks and bonds owned	1,899,672.52
Reins. due fr. other companies	7,845.88
Cash in banks and on hand	265,911.49
Premiums in course of collection and in transmission	209,600.72
Interest and rents due and accrued	21,587.14
Total assets	\$2,404,810.30
Less special deposits in any state, Virginia	18,503.52
Total assets admitted in Oregon	\$2,386,306.78
Liabilities	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	\$ 201,978.34
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	1,145,996.34
Due for commission and brokerage	6,466.00
All other liabilities	23,000.77
Total liabilities	\$1,377,501.45
Total insurance in force December 31, 1911	\$216,485,179.00
WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY, By C. C. Foster, Secretary. Statutory resident general agent and attorney for service: E. L. Thompson, Portland, Or.	

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"SOMEBODY BLUNDERED."

The whole world mourns the Titanic disaster but there are a few people who, though not so unfortunate as to have friends or relatives aboard, realize the terrible disaster more sharply than others. These men are such as have long affiliation with steamship and sea traffic. La Grande has such a man, for, Captain Smith, who died with his ship, the Titanic, was a warm personal friend of Chas. E. King, the Elite theatre musical director. Mr. King's father, Commodore Captain John King, knew Mr. Smith from boyhood, and at the King home in Liverpool, Captain Smith was a frequent and welcome visitor, and as a boy the La Grande man came to know and admire the sturdy captain who was assigned the duty to pilot the Titanic on her maiden voyage. Charles King has crossed the Atlantic more times, probably, than any other man in this section of the state, and being brought up in the atmosphere of seafaring vessels, is qualified to comment on the terrible disaster. "Somebody blundered," said Mr. King today. "It

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