CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

MARQUAM GRAND - Matinee and evening, "Amy Robert." CORDRAY'S THEATER (Washington street)

A Newspaper "Ruction."—A noisy growd about The Oregonian building attracted a good deal of attention yesterday afternoon. A simple statement will show what it was all about. The Evening Tele-gram is sold at the office to boys who wish to sell it on the streets. Great numbers of hous have been taking out more cop.es shan the market would take, and as a consequence hundreds of copies were re-turned unsold. The management of The turned unsold. The management of the Telegram, wishing to put a stop to the excessive waste of paper, explained to the boys that they should not take out so many copies, but only as many as they could expect to sell; and then if they should sell out and want more, they could return to the office and get them. The price to the boys was 2½ cents a copy, as heretofore; but papers would not be taken back, and in order to guard them against loss the boys were advised to take fewer papers. So they resolved not to take any, which was quite right; but when the carriers came out with bundles of papers for delivery to subscribers, the boys, in-stigated by meddlesome and mischlef-making grown persons, set upon the carriers, and these grown persons egged them on to beat the carriers and tear up their papers, and even assisted, when others went to protect them. This is the explanation of the disturbance. The management of The Telegram asks no boy to sell the paper, but offers it for 24 cents to such as want to sell it. But copies cannot be taken back, for the reason that it causes too great a waste of paper. Boys can take a few copies at a time, and return if they want more. The waste often has been excessive, and it cannot be continued. This explanation is given for the informa-tion of reasonable people. To such as are not reasonable no explanation is worth the after its hard effort to get out of it. Antrouble. Of course, it is absurd and fool-ish waste to print hundreds and thousands of copies in excess of the demand of the paratus, and thus how much they desire

OFFICIANS MEET.—The second quarterly meeting of the Oregon Association of Opticians was held on Monday gvening at the Auditorum. A large number of opticians from all over the state were assombled, and listened with great interest to the excellent programme which had been prepared. The features of the even-given for this action are that the bids are prepared by Dr. Charles F. Toring were papers by Dr. Charles F. Tor-rance and Dr. Don C. Phillips, both creat-ing a yery favorable impression. The following members were admitted to the association: C. W. Lowe, Eugene; C. H. Hinges, Salem; O. A. Kramer, Independence; M. J. Abbott, Forest Grove; C. D. Evans, Grant's Pass; H. W. Barr, Salem; H. J. Winters, Newberg; W. J. Jorgen-sen, Burns; U. B. Vogle, Corvallis; A. E. Butterfield, D. W. Kolle, A. W. Wright and Mrs. Ben P. Watson, of Portland. The by-laws were so amended as to ex-clure from the association street fakirs, hours to bours and those with clure from the association street fakirs, house-to-house peddiers, and those who sold ghases at fairs and expositions. The next meeting will be held in Portland, on the fhird Monday in April. Dr. Torrance will give a continuation of his paper on heterophovia, taking up the field of testing and adjustment. H. S. Butterfield will read a paper on lens-grinding, and P. G. Daut one on optics in general. Daut one on optics in general.

DEMOCRATS MEET. - The Multnomah county democratic central committee held | ters are attended to. a meeting last night, which was pre-sided over by G. M. Wells. George E. Chamberiain, chairman of the executive committee of the Democratic Central Club, stated that the club had rented headquarters in room 534, Chamber of Com-merce, where regular meetings would be held after February 1. He tendered the county committee the use of the room, and the committee will meet there hereafter, The committee voted to invite the mem-bers of the state central committee to old the state convention in Portland The matter of ward clubs was dicussed, and it was decided to encourage the formation of the same. A public meeting will be held early in February, and it is expected that some prominent democrat from abroad will be present and address the

Mr. STEARNS SET RIGHT.-David S. Ma. Steams Set Right.—David S. Stole an Overcoat.—Junge Hennessy Steams was quoted. In a real estate artisecie published in Sunday's Oregonian, as saying that real estate values in 1900 show an increase of from 10 to 25 per cent over an increase of from 10 to 25 per cent over 1890. The questions which The Oregonian submitted to real estate dealers were manifolded, and it is probable that in the list sent to Mr. Stearns "1890" was so indistinot as to be easily mistaken for "1809." Correcting the mistake, Mr. Stearns writes: "Selling prices of real estate are from 40 to 60 per cent lower than they were 10 years ago, although the real values, due to substantial improvements are much greater now than in 1890. My reply of an increase of from 10 to 25 per cent was made under the impression that was comparing values in 1900 with those

CONCERT AT SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE.-The regular weekly concert will be given to-night at Seamen's Institute. These con-certs are sometimes given by the seamen themselves and on other nights by shore people. Tonight is landlubber's night. The ncerts are growing in popularity among the sailors and the Portland people as well. As there is an unusually small number of vessels in port now, the rooms will not be crowded with seamen tonight, and this will be an exceptionally good opportunity for visitors to enjoy the concert. The superintendent, Dr. J. Douglas Hay, always keeps the latchstring hanging on

SCANDINAVIAN REPUBLICANS.-A meeting of the Scandivanian Republican Club was held in the Worcester block last evening. The meeting was well attended, and general interest was manifested. Among other ousiness transacted, the following were chosen delegates to the state republican league, which meets February 6, next, in this city: C. F. Pearson, Gustav Anderson, Samuel Holm, Edward J. Grahs, O. H. Anderson, H. P. Christiensen, Fred L. Olson, A. M. Johnson, E. Gunderson, A. G. Outet

Wono War's Wors.—Wong Way was fined \$10 in the municipal court yes erday for an assault on Ah Wing with a meatax. Wong accused Wing of stealing clothes from him, and this caused the fight. At one time Wing was tempted and he fell. He was a thief, and since then he has borne the mark of Cain. When Wong learned of his mistake he regretted having assaulted Wing, and offered to average assaulted. ing assaulted Wing, and offered to pay the doctor bills. A white man was the real thief, and he has been apprehended.

RETAIL CLERKS PARADE.—Among the other labor disturbances that broke the monotonous ellence of the city last night was another parade by the Retail Clerke; Union. The same banners and transparen-cies bearing on the "close-at-5-o'clock" situation were carried, and the same Third-street merchant who refuses to close got the benefit of the major part of the

SWINDLER AT LARGE.-Recently som beggar has been passing himself off as the brother of Father Breen, O. P., of the brother of Father Breen, O. P., of municipal court yesterday on the charge the Pertiand clergy. Word of the fraud of extortion and was bound over to the reached the reverend gentleman, and he is grand jury, under bonds of \$150. The anxious to have every one know that it is an imposition. The beggar is no relative, having taken the name merely to further

his swindling designs. COCAINE FIRND JAILED .- W. A. Lebo, a cocaine fiend in the last stages of the habit, was sentenced to 245 days in the county jail yesterday in the municipal court. Lebo is an old jailbird, and this sentence to him simply means going home. court. Lebo is an old jailbird, and this sentence to him simply means going home.

CALENDARS FREEL—Our first edition has been exhausted. The second edition is now ready, and will be mailed to those only who use printing, whether customers or not, on receipt of name and address. F. who use printing, whether customers or not, on receipt of name and address. F.

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to fight all nonunion shops seemed to have a salutary effect, as at present President Hutch neon eavs there are less than 15 barbers in the city not belonging to the union, that is, without the boss barbers, union, that is, without the boss barbers, who cannot hold membership. He also states that one shop has suffered very much by unauthorized reports spread about, to the effect that the proprietors were fighting the union. This, he says, is not true, and the shop has applied for a card. The most violent of the very few shops that have objected to the union has stated through the state board that it will meet the union half way. The boys all say their order is very prosperous. They will give some form of a social next

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE.-D. A. Sinclair. secretary of the Dayton (O.) Young Men's Christian Association, delivered a very interesting illustrated lecture at the First Baptist church last night. He had very many stereopticon views; in fact, enough to last an enjoyable hour and a half. The illustrations included the pictures of many prominent people, and evoked much applause from the audience. Mr. Sinclair showed many of the prominent Y. M. C. A. buildings throughout the country, and he explained the good work being done by that organization. He took the audi-ence through the Y. M. C. A. building of Dayton, showing them the work being done. Mr. Sinclair is making these lectures for no pecuniary gain, but simply for the love of the work he is engaged

Oregon Road Club has started its proposed gymnasium. About two months back, shower and tub baths and lockers were put in, and yesterday carpenters were busy hanging rings and erecting a stand for the punching-bag. The new apparatus has been placed in the building that was formerly the cyclery. It is the purpose of the club officers to proceed other reason for proceeding slowly is to see how much the members use the apa gymnasium. The club intends also to build a handball court in the very near

by City Engineer Chase. The action of the board will render it necessary to readvertise for bids for the work, and the improvement will in consequence be de-layed several weeks at least. The bids were as follows: Frainey & Reilly, \$3860 77; Smyth & Howard, \$3445 46; Portland Sand & Contract Company, \$8091 41; Star Sand Company, \$9220 12.
WILL BE SPEEDILT IMPROVED.—It is very

improbable that anything can now inter-fere to prevent the early improvement of East Morrison street. The time for filing a remonstrance is past, and the city engineer will at once prepare estimates of the probable cost, and an ordinance pro-viding for the time and manner of improv-ing the street will be prepared, and without doubt be passed by the council and at once signed by the mayor, and the work will be commenced as soon as these mat-

BURGLARS IN UNIVERSITY BUILDING. The university building at University Park, which has been vacant for some time, was protected from invasion by the windows of the lower story being boarded up. Some burgiar has pried off the boards from s window and the building has been ransacked by thleves, who did no particuar harm except in carrying away every-

FRHE SITES FOR FACTORIES.-The Board of Trade is prepared to furnish free sites for manufactures which will furnish work for a reasonable number of employes. These sites are situated along the bank of the Willamette, between Albina and St. Johns, on the proposed extension of the O. R. & N. railway, where shipping fa-cilities will be available by river and

for stealing an overcoat from the Port-land library last Saturday afternoon, Wilson was apprehended while trying to sell the coat.

POREST INSPECTOR'S OFFICE MOVED. United States Forest Inspector George A. Steel has moved his office to room 218 Oregonian building, where he is con-veniently and comfortably located. MRS. WHITE'S handpainted china at Feldenheimer'a.

PLEASANT ORGAN RECITAL.

Presbyterian Choir Give an Enjoyable Programme.

A fine musical programme was rendered to a large audience last night at the First Presbyterian church in connection with the quarterly communion social. The recital opened with a brilliant organ con-cert piece by Horatio W. Parker, which Edgar Coursen gave with superb effect. In strong contrast to this was the solemn and beautiful organ number, "Elevation," by Saint Saens. Mrs. Amadee Smith's singing of "Springtide." by Becker, elicited much applause. For encore she gave "The Night Has a Thousand Eyes." Mr. Lauren Pesse was in excellent voice, and gave Balfe's remance, "If Thou Coulds't Know," in a way that delighted the audi-

terspersed through the programme consisted of a dainty selection by Gabriel-Marie, entitled "The Golden Wedding," in the ancient gavoite style. This was particularly enjoyed by the audience, who showed their appreciation in very hearty teshion; but Mr. Coursen did not seemed. fashion; but Mr. Coursen did not respond to the encore, otherwise than by bowing an acknowledgment. The gavotte by Martin Roeder, was one of his heaviest numbers, one that cailed for difficult pedal work and gave him an opportunity to exhibit to excellent advantage his powerful grasp of the organ. Following this was Guilmant's beautiful "Prayer and Cradle Song" that closed the programme. Shortly after 9 o'clock, the congregation was ready to enjoy a social chat with one another, and exchange greetings with their pastor, Dr. Hill, and his wife. Re-freshments were served, and a spirit of genial humor and good-will prevailed.

CHARGED WITH EXTORTION. Episode at Montavilla Over Alleged

Theft of \$20. George Coffman was examined in the complainant is Jesse Hess. Hess lives at Montavilla with his mother, and Coffman, who is a kind of relative, is staying with them. From the evidence it seems that Coffman lost \$20 in some way and accused Hess of stealing it, and told Mrs. Hess that if he was not given that amount he would carve Jesse's heart out. She was afraid of Coffman and gave him \$20.

last Saturday night, and that Sunday morning Hess asked Coffman to get up DAVID M. DUNNE & Co.'s office removed and see what time it was. He was absent to factory, corner 19th and Sherlock ave from the room only a few seconds, and during that time the money was alleged during that time the money was alleged HAMMOND & CHANCE (A. A. Hammond, to have been taken from a purse in Coff-

Barness Prospering.—The announce he did not miss the money until late in the ment that the barbers' union was going day. He returned to the house, swore to fight all nonunion shops seemed to Jesse had robbed him, and Mrs. Hess gave him that amount.

> CYCLE PATHS ARE DAMAGED Cows and Wagons Are Driven Over

Mount Tabor Cycle Way. The cycle paths on the Base Line road, from East Thirty-fourth street to Mount Tabor, have been driven on with vehicles and used to drive cattle over. Some one drove a heavy wagen along the north side path for a considerable distance, cutting the path with the wheels, and the horses' shoes made deep impressions in the surface. While a resident was taking a stroll out on the path Sunday, he met a man leading some cows along the path. These were especially well-constructed paths, being wide enough for a wagon, and greatly improved the appearance of the road, and it seems incredible that any one living along that road where these paths are should drive over and destroy them. When thus used they are practically destroyed. It is evident that some better method will have to be adopted for the protection of cycle paths. There is a class who will not hesitate to drive on them and take pleasure in doing so. A stringent law, with a severe penalty, will only meet the case, and a strong legislative enactment will have to be passed applying to the whole state, as the cycle path presents a new condition not provided for in the road laws. The man who drove on the Base Line path probably did so out of pure malice, as there is a well-improved roadmalice, as there is a well-improved road-way for vehicles alongside, and nothing less than a heavy fine for injuring cycle paths will deter such fellows. Riders paid in this county about \$12,900 blcycle tax, some portion of which has been expended in building paths. Next year they will pay more, and more paths will be constructed, so that it will be very necessary to protect them from destruction.

Lieutenant Telfer Elected Captain. At the regular meeting of Gilbert camp, No. 4, Second Oregon, Monday evening, Lieutenant George F. Telfer was elected captain to fill the vacancy that had exist-ed since the camp was started. The election of Lieutenant Telfer is regarded as a most excellent selection, and it will add much strength to the camp. H. U. Welch, of the battery, was first asked to accept but declined, as he considered it better that some member of the Second Oregon who had seen active service should be se-lected to fill the place. Messrs. Wells Meier and McKinnnie were elected trus-tees of the camp. The sick comrades came in for their share of attention. George Breslin's condition was reported on. He seems to be holding his own fairly well, and hopes are entertained that he will re-cover. It was decided at the meeting of the camp that a smoker should be given next Monday evening at the hall, when all veterans will be heartly welcomed. A good time is expected that evening. The Gilbert camp is in a flourishing condition and growing in numbers.

Buried at San Francisco. Manifred G. Hamilton, whose death oc-curred in San Francisco Monday, has a brother, F. M. Hamilton, living on Columbia slough, a well-known mlik dealer.
The latter saw the account of his death
in The Oregonian of Monday. He telegraphed for the particulars, and also sent
instructions for the remains to be shipped to Portland for interment. A reply was received from the San Francisco under-taker at once stating that the wife of the dead man had provided for the interment to take place at San Francisco. Mr. Ham-ilton, the brother here, was very much astonished over the answer, as he was not aware that his brother had been married. He formerly lived on the East Side, and conducted a grocery store on East Washington street, between Union and Grand avenues. None of the particulars of the death have yet been received. He was not married when he left Portland. His death seems to have been sudden. Mr. Hamilton expects to get the details by mail after a time.

Pleasant Home Notes.

Anna Hevel, who lives at Gresham, met with quite a severe loss while going from that place to Pleasant Home, Saturday. She lost her purse and a watch valued at \$30. She thinks that in taking out her handkerchief from her pocket the purse and watch were pulled out at the same time, and dropped outside the buggy in the road. It is very improbable that she was the exquisite attention to detail. The will recover her property.
Mr. and Mrs. George W. Older,

Portland, were at Pleasant Home Saturday to install the officers of the M. A. Ross post and the Woman's Relief Corps. The former installed the officers of the post and Mrs. Older installed the officers of the corps, the work in both being most excellent. They were the guests of Colonel and Mrs. Robert Pool while at Pleasant Home. At the entertainment which followed the installation in the evening, May Lesile, of Gresham, took the prize for the handsomest lady, and Anna Hevel, of Gresham, the second prize. Among the others who contested for these prizes were Ida Layman, Maud Littlepage, of Powell Valley: Mollie Dunn, of Sandy: Maud Manery, of Pleasant Home; Maud Murry, of Butte, Mont.

Better Fire Protection.

The fire commissioners have just placed two fire hydrants in Lower Albina for the better protection of the large property interests there on the water front. One hydrant was located at the south and the other one at the north end of the Mont-gomery warehouse, just erected. Protec-tion is thus given this fine new warehouse Know," in a way that delighted the audience and brought him a recall, in response to which he sang Bartlett's "A Dream."

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> Rev. Mr. Blair Improving. Rev. G. A. Blair, pastor of the First Cumberland Presbyterian church, who fell and dislocated his right ankle while on his way from his home to the church, is now improving, and hopes to be around again soon. He is still confined to his rooms, and yesterday the limb was put in a plac-ter cast. The dislocation was complicated

> with the breaking of some of the tendons. Mr. Blair is improving so rapidly that he hopes to occupy his pulpit next Sunday. Mrs. Blair, who has been seriously ill, is also improving.

Protracted Services. Protracted meetings have been com-menced at the Second Baptist church, East Ankeny and East Seventh streets, Rev. Ray Palmer, pastor, is being assisted by other ministers. The attendance is very good. Protracted services were also begun at the Sunnyside Methodist church, East Thirty-fifth and East Yembill streets, Monday evening. For the present, Rev. S. A. Starr, the pastor, is conducting the services alone, but he will have help-after the meetings have progressed a short time, The meetings have started out well. Good music is provided each evening.

Enst Side Notes. But little can be accomplished by the contractor who has the improvement of East Burnside street, between East Twen-ty-eighth and East Thirtleth streets, while the present weather prevails. Some of the grading has been done, and lumber for the planking of the street has been delyered. There is small prospect of the improvement being completed for some

The Union Republican Club, of the ninth ward, has found its rollbook, which had been misplaced, and filed a list of the members with Secretary J. P. Kennedy. man's trousers pocket, which were under the pillow. Coffman acknowledged that a membership of 270. The club committee,

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according to the action of the club, will appoint the delegates to the convention. The rollcall and rally of the members of Centenary Methodist church took place last evening, and in spite of the storm was well attended. The short programme of recitation, songs and reading was well received. Concluding a very pleasing even-ing, refreshments were served. It was a reunion, and many of the old members, rarely seen out, were present.

DELIGHTFUL PERFORMANCE.

Neill Company's Charming Rendition of "A Gilded Fool."

A house crowded to the doors witnessed the presentation of "A Glided Fool" by the James Neill company last night at the Marquam Grand, the brilliant success of the previous performance being more than duplicated. This artistic, well-balanced company is winning unstinted encomiums for its clever work, and if the opening plays are samples of the rest of the reper toire, a week full of pleasure is assuto Portland's theater-goers. The oldimer and the first-nighter have held up Nat Goodwin's presentation of the char-acter of the "Glided Fool" as an ideal —but James Nelli last night demonstrated that his conception and grasp of the com-edy work was complete, that he played the part well, while he stood head and shoulders over any other "gilded fool" in his rendition of the pathetic passages. His work at the close of the second act

in his touching love scene with Margaret

Ruthven was as pretty a piece of acting as has been seen here. The plot of this pleasing comedy is to well known for comment. Outside of Mr. Neill in the personnel of the cast sev-eral pleasing pictures stand out prominently. Edythe Chapman, as Margaret Ruthven, the sweetheart of Chauncey Short (James Nelli) was sweet and wom-Short (James Neill) was sweet and wom-anly, and fully deserved the recalls ac-corded to her work. Julia Dean, as Neil Ruthven, was a decidedly charming little soubrette, was fairly bubbling over with cheer and vivacity and fully shared the comedy honors of the evening. Another good piece of character work was done by Ben Howard, as Bannister Strange, the scheming and cunning capitalist.

Frank MacVicars as Matthew Ruthven Grace Lamkin as Sophia Ruthven, Rob-ert Morris as Jack Duval, and the cannibals' friend, Rev. Jacob Howell, portrayed by John W. Burton, were all characterized in a befitting manner. A most was the exquisite attention to detail. The minor parts were all placed in excellent hands, and altogether the entertainment

was most satisfying.

"Amy Robsart" will be the attraction today at both the matinee and evening performances, with James Neill in the character of Earl of Leicester. Thursday night, "Lord Chumley"; Fri-day night, "Captain Swift"; Saturday matince, "A Bachelor's Romance," and Saturday night, "Captain Lettarbiair."

BEAT HIS WIFE.

Sellwood Man, While Drunk, Abused His Family.

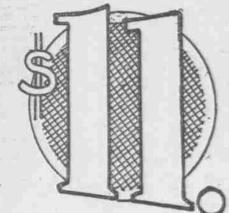
Herman Hubers, a German laborer, wh lives at Sellwood, was in the municipal court yesterday on the charge of assault and battery. Susanna Hubers, the man's wife, was the prosecuting witness. She testified that Monday night, as usual, Herman came home drunk, struck herdown and tore her clothes. Mrs. Hubers then proceeded to relate her tale of woe. She said Herman made \$9 a week and was the only support of the family, but that he would not give her enough of his wages to provide food for the small children, and was a habitual drunkard. It was brought out in the testimony that Herman had repeatedly sworn off, but in a few days would be drunk again and would stay at the saloons of evenings instead of coming home like other husbands and fathers. Judge Hennessy gave the man a vigorous lecture, and he soon began to weep. Mrs. Hubers chimed in with a few soprano sobs, and a big tear was DR. E. C. BROWN Marquam big., rooms 626-7

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