NEW RAILROAD CHANGES

BUMORS OF NEW POSITIONS FOR THREE MEN.

Incidental to Consolidation of Agencles of Union Pacific System-New Oriental Appointment.

The only official news regarding the withdrawal of the Union Pacific and Gregon Short Line offices from Portland that has yet been made public here is a joint circular over the names of the traffic managers of the Union Pacific, Oregon Short Line and O. R. & N. recommending such action. This is regarded as sufficiently significant, and nobody doubts that the offices of the two roads will be closed January I. About a year ago the Eastern agents of the O. R. & N. were withdrawn and the business turned over to Union Pacific agents in the respective The only official news regarding th to Union Pacific agents in the respective places. At that time the Union Pacific agency at Spokane was discontinued. The consolidation of the Portland agencies was then looked for, but it was deferred

A very persistent report gained currency yesterday to the effect that in the adjust-ment of railroad affairs at the beginning of the new year Richard B. Miller, sistant general freight agent of the O. R. & N., who has been acting general freight agent since the departure of Mr. Woodworth a year ago, would be appointed general freight agent, and that J. H. Lothrop, now general agent of the Union Pacific in Portland, would take the posi-tion of assistant general freight agent of the O. R. & N. It is also said that W E. Coman, now general agent of the Ore-gon Short Line in Portland, will go to Puget Sound as agent of the freight de-partment of the O. R. & N., and that E. E. Ellis, who is now general agent of the company there, will confine his atten-tion to passenger business. None of the men interested would admit any knowledge of the proposed apopintments. They said the matter appeared to have been settled at the Omaha conference of the officials of the three companies, of which they had no official information, and that the details would not be known until the return of Traffic Manager Campbell,

The appointment of Alian Cameron, as-sistant general freight agent of the Pa-cific division of the Canadian Pacific, to be Asiatic agent of the new Union Pa-Oriental steamship line from Portland was also settled in the East on this trip of President Mohier and Traffic Man-ager Campbell, and there is no official knowledge of it in Portland. Mr. Cameron was formerly general agent of the Canadian Pacific in Portland, E. J. Coyle, who is now assistant general passenger agent of the Pacific division of the Cana. dian Pacific, succeeding him here, and Mr. Greer and Mr. Abbott following successively. Mr. Cameron is about 4 years of age, is an active and popular man, who has come much in contact with Oriental business, and is specially equipped for efficient service in that field. A par-ticularly gratifying feature of this ap-pointment to Portland is the evidence it carries that the new Oriental line is to be rmanent, and that the field is to be systematically worked.

SUIT WAS DISMISSED.

D. C. O'Reilly Drops Case Against the Columbia Southern.

MORO, Or., Dec. 4.—In the case of Druke C. O'Rellly vs. Columbia South-ern, E. E. Lytle, et al., a demurrer to the complaint was sustained some time ago and today a petition for a rehearing thereon was denied, whereupon the plain-tiff abandened and dismissed the suit.

E. E. Lytle, president of the Columbia Southern Railway, being questioned by a reporter with reference to the dis-

minsal of the O'Reilly suit, said:
"We regard this dismissal as a great
victory and a vindication. The court
sustained a demurrer to Mr. O'Reilly's complaint on a ground which he could not cure by amendment and there was therefore nothing for him to do but dis-miss his suit. It is a very easy mat-ter to rush into court and accuse others of fraud and rascality, and then to advertise these charges in the public press, but it is quite another matter to prove and establish the charges in a court of

"I have refrained from saying anything ing a lawsuit in the papers. Now, ever, that the litigation has ended, I feel justified in replying to the false charges so freely circulated by Mr. O'Relly against me and all others connected with the management of the road, Mr. O'Rellly's charges related to the extension of company's line from More to Shanike, work on which was begun about a ir ago. He ciaims this line was exyear ago. pensively built and that the building of the line was made the excuse for robbing the treasury of the company of large sums, aggregating \$275,000. It is a suffianswer to these charges to say that this extension was built at a total that this extension was built at a total cost to the company, including rights of way, of \$5000 a mile. O'Rellly was in charge of the construction of the company's line from Wasco to More and that line cost the company \$11,000 a mile additional for rights of way. The country is similar in both cases and rails and other materials were far higher when the Shanterials were far higher when the Shan-

the extension was built than when O'Rellly built from Wasco to Moro.

"The sult just dismissed never had any business in fact and O'Rellly knew this at all times. We are well aware of the purpose for which this suit was brought; it is sufficient to say that it was not brought for the purpose of redressing any wrongs which O'Reilly thought he had

EXCURSION RATE TO PORTLAND. Price From Salt Lake \$31.50 for the Round Trip.

SALT LAKE, Utah, Dec. 4.-General Passenger Agent D. E. Burley, of the Oregon Short Line, today granted the anplication of the transportation committee of the National Livestock Association for an excursion rate to Portland, and will announce a rate of \$31.50 for the round trip, which will in all probability include acveral side trips to points of interest along the line. The association made a request for rates from the Short Line and also from the Southern Pacific the proposed route over the latter system being from Sait Lake City to Sacramento, then down the valley through the land of big trees to Los Angeles, and from there either east by the Southern line or return to Sait Lake by way of the Coast route and San Francisco. The decision of the Southern Pacific is expected in a

Ventilation Takes Place of Ice. The officials of the Great Northern Express Company report that the new ventilated fruit cars in use on that road in transporting fresh fruit from the Northwest to St. Paul, have proved to be completely successful. The new plan of ventilation is the invention of a Portland sanitary engineer, William T. Cottler, it entirely does away with the use of ice. Refrigerator cars cause fresh fruit to chill and sweat, and it "falls down" when put on the market. By the new system of ventilation the gases that injure fruit are carried away and the fruit keeps in a natural condition. In this way fresh fish are carried from Pertland to Spokane without deteriorating or becoming a nuisance to the express messengers. saving in the matter of ice is a material

Corvallis & Eastern Working. ALBANY, Or., Dec. 4.- The Corvallis & Eastern surveyors, who have been work-ing sastward on the line of the pro-

posed extension of the road into Eastern Oregon, have finished their work and are in Albuny on their way to their different homea. The lines have been run ready for grading, and there is a persistent report that grading will be begun in the Spring. This, however, cannot be confirmed at the Albuny offices.

Rate to Livestock Meeting. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 4.—For the meeting of the National Livestock Association, at Salt Lake, January 15 to 18, Southvestern lines have put in a rate of one fare plus \$2 on the certificate plan

Transportation Notes. Manager Koehler, of the Southern Pa-cific, has returned from a week's visit in

Industrial Agent Judson, of the O. R. & N., is now in Omaha, where he went to eat Thankesiving turkey with his family. He will return in a few days, and it is said will have more industries to plant along his railroad.

Since May 25, 1838, 171 Government trans. ports have been sent from San Fran-cisco to the Orient. Since August 19, 1839, 22 M Government transpoits have been dispatched from Paget Sound to the Orient, and 19 to Alaska. Since October 4, 1829. Portland has sent 11 Government transports to the Orient. This makes a total of 214 transports dispatched from Pacing Coast ports to the Orient, and 15 to Alas-

HAZING RESULTED FATALLY Death of Oscar Booz, Who Was a Cadet at West Point.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 4.—Oscar L. Booz, a former cudet at West Point Military Academy, who had been lying at the point of death at his home in Bristol, Pa., suffering from injuries which his parents claim were the result of having at the academy over two years and died at the academy over two years ago, died today in great agony. The cause of death was throat consumption. It is al-leged by the young man's father that tobasco sauce was poured down his son's throat while the cadets were hasing him. The father also claims that red pepper was thrown in his eyes, hot greeze poured on his hare feet, a tooth knocked out and that other fiendish acts were indulged in. Shortly after this the father says Oscar, because of his snysteal condition, was compelled to resign his cadetahip. The young man grew steadily worse, but never would divulge the names of the cadets who illtreated him

but once, on July 30, when he was ex-cused from the drills on account of diar-rhoea. Had he been brutally beaten in a fight with another cadet, or had his throat been injured in the manner claimed throat been injured in the manner ciaimed it would have been impossible for him to have avoided the sick report. The reason given for his resignation was weak eyes. His record shows he was in the last section in mathematics, and the marks he received to the date of his resignation were insufficient. I believe therein lies the real cause of his resignation, and I think it most probable that stories of his alleged illigraturement. that stories of his alleged ill-treatment arise from statements he has made in endeavoring to explain to his friends why he left the academy."

MAC ARTHUR'S DEATH LIST Weekly Report From the Commander at Manile.

WASHINGTON. Dec. 4.—General Mac-Arthur's latest death list from Manila follows:

Dysentery-November 27, Fourth Cavalry, Wages A. Innes, November 18, Eighteenth Infantry, Harvey Bimson; Nineteenth Infantry, Frank J. Smith; November 25, Thirtieth Infantry, Christopher C. Kroegel; November 6, Nineteenth Infantry, Musician William H. Dorsy, November 28 Fourteenth Infantry Dorey; November 30, Fourteenth Infantry,

ation while this litigation was cause I do not believe in tryuit in the papers. Now. second Infantry, John Van Zant; Twenty-fifth Infantry, Henry Gage. Typhold fever-November B, Fourteenth Infantry, Edward Pierson; Twenty-fourth

Infantry, James S. Wilson; November 27, Thirtieth Infantry, William Grifford; November 28, Twenty-ninth Infantry, Sergeant Albert R. Kruger, Drowned-November 28, Twenty-fourth Infantry, unassigned recruit, Charles G. Geiser; November 24, Fourth Infantry, Jacob Wisler; October 12, Thirtieth In-

fantry, Andrew J. Nelson Tuberculosis-November 25, Thirtieth Infantry, John Randle; November 14, Third Cavalry, William N. Benner. All other causes-November 18 Twenty-eighth Infantry, Joseph C. Morgan; September 10, Twenty-fifth Infantry, John Bell: November 23, Twenty-first Infantry,

John B. Sullivan: October 12. Thirty eighth Infantry, Joseph L. Mowrey; November 26. Forty-first Infantry, William S. Brown; October 18. Eleventh Cavalry. Sergeant Vernie J. Edwards; November 26. Forty-eighth Infantry, Isnac Reeves; November 24. Third Cavalry, Farrier Her-man J. A. Jorgens; November 28. Thir-ty-eighth Infantry, Ray W. Dihartz; November 4. Nineteenth Infantry, T. John J. Burry: November 26. Twelfth Infantry, Patrick O'Day: November 25. Third Cav-alry, Samuel Byers: Twenty-fifth Infan-William Burgess; November Thirty-fifth Infantry, Principal Musician

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Hanna as Senator.

PALESTINE, Or., Dec. L.—(To the Editor.)—How long was M. A. Hanna of Ohio appointed United States Senator for? Was be ever elected by the Legislature for Senator? W. H. W.

On the resignation of Senator Sherman take a place in McKinley's Cabinet, Hanna was appointed by the Governor of Ohio to take his place. Then in the succeeding Ohio Legis'ature, Hanna was elected for the unexpired portion of Sherman's term, and he was likewise elected for the full term 1898-1906.

Ambassador to Italy.

BUENA VISTA, Or., Dec. L-(To the Editer.)-Who is our Minister to Italy? What is his address? Can any one having no relation there now, through him, have a matter of importance looked up in the courts of Italy?
A SUBSCRIBER.

The United States Ambassador to Italy is William F. Draper, whose address is at Rome. Write to him and find out if he can or will look up the matter of im-

ice on the Corvailla-Monroe mail route began yesterday. The distance is 17 miles, and the contractor receives \$65 annually. People living along the im-mediate line and who put up boxes, are served with a free delivery of mail each

SPECIAL CAR TO CARRY DELE-GATES TO EUGENE FRIDAY.

Dinner to Prominent Association Workers in Portland Thursday Night-Work in Good Shape.

The local Y. M. C. A. is making active preparations to participate in the Y. M. C. A. convention for Oregon and Idaho, which is to be held in Eugene three days, beginning Friday. Friday morning a special car will be attached to the Southern Pacific train to carry the de-gates from Portland, and it is expected that about 25 prominent members of the association will go to Eugene. Several delegates from Idaho are also expected in Portland in time to join the delegates from here.

Thursday evening a dinner will be given to three of the prominent association workers who are to take part in the convention. These are F. B. Smith, of Chicago, international secretary; F. Ober of Chicago, editor of the Associated Men, the official organ of the association, and P. O. Hansen, of Topeka, college secretary for Kansas. W. M. Ladd will preside at the dinner, which will, without doubt, be largely attended. Arrangements have been made for a meeting in Portland, December 23, which will be addressed by Mr. Smith, who is one of the most convincing and effective speakers in the association, and who has had a brilliant career as an evangelist, addressing large meetings in many of the prominent cities of the country, and making hundreds of conversions among business men. E. T. Colien, international college secretary, will also be present at

the convention in Eugene.
Secretary Stone, of the local Y. M. C.
A., who is also state secretary for Oregon and Idaho, has been very busy lately, making preparations for the conven-tion, which he hopes will be one of the most successful ever held. The chief A small per reason for holding it at Eugene is to arouse interest in the college work of the association, there being a strong and destroyed. aggressive organization among the stu-dents of the University of Oregon. About 125 delegates will be present from all parts of the state, and good results are expected, as the work is now flourish-Denial by Colonel Mills.

WEST POINT, N. Y., Dec. 4.—Before the death of young Booz at Bristol, Pa., was announced today, Colonel A. La Mills, superintendent of the Military Academy, made the following statement:

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Mr. Store and Jaw tight that never here.

Mr. Stone said last night that never be-"The many statements made in the press of the country alleging that Oscar fore in the history of Oregon has the L. Boor was atroclously hazed while he work been in such promising condition was a cadet at the Military Academy to as it is at present. All the associations such an extent that he is now dying from are flourishing financially and rapidly its effects are untrue and ridiculous. ExCadet Booz was admitted to the Military Academy June 20, 1896, and resigned which there is an association has been October 51, 1898. He was on sick report curing their support and co-operation. Once established an association room proves its usefulness to a community and gains friends and members rapidly. The work in Oregon and Idaho is now conducted by one committee, of which Mr. Stone is secretary, and S. B. Hanna college secretary. The committee is com-posed as follows: Chairman, J. Thorburn Ross; treasurer, C. L. Fay; A. L. Veazle, William Wadhams, John Bain, W. M. Ladd and E. C. Bronaugh, all of Port-land: I. A. Macrum, of Forest Grove; F A. Wiggins, of Salem; Pres W. Lee. of Albany, and W. S. Bruce, of Boise City.

PARK COMMISSION.

Cloth Must Be Cut Very Close to Get Through December.

A meeting of the Park Commission was held yeaterday, but as the commission is not yet in funds, nothing in the way of improvements was considered. The saisties of the employes of the park for the month of November, amounting to \$357, and other expenses for the month aggregating nearly \$600 were approved and ordered paid. It was found that there was only \$466 25 remaining for the expenses of December, so expenses for this month will have to be still further reduced if there is to be no deficit at the beginning of the New Year.

Parkkeeper Myers presented the inventory of all property belonging to the parks, which he had been directed to prepare. It was ordered placed on record, and hereafter an account of everything

pare. It was ordered placed on record, and hereafter an account of everything added to the list will be kept, as also an account of what becomes of any of this

It having been reported to the Commission that the property now known as Hawthorne Park, was deeded to Dr. Hawthorne by the late James T. Stephens for asylum purposes only, with the provision that if it should cease to be used for such purposes it should go to the city for park purposes, an investigation of the conveyance of the property was made by L. L. Hawkins. who reported that no record of any such provision could be found. It is thought improbable that there is any foundation for the state-ment, but as this is a matter of importance, further investigation will be by the Judiciary Committee. The tract of land in question contains some six acres, and as it has some fine timber and a magnificent Spring, it would make one of the most charming little parks imagin-

Some investigations have been made to ascertain whether the Commission had full control of the Macleay Park or not, and it appears that it has, with the ex-ception that any timber cut on the tract is to be divided between the Good Samaritan and the St. Vincent's Hospitals. As the timeer constitutes one of the chief beauties of the park, there is no probability of much of it ever being cut. The Commission has already made a start on a library of park literature, but does not deem it necessary or desirable that any amount of money should be expended on it for the present. W. T. Hornaday, one of the Board of Commissioners of the Zoological Park, of New York, who war here a short time ago, presented the Commission with several books on the park systems of London and other cities, and promised that any assistance or sug-gestions that he could give he would glad-

Police News.

The German who left Seattle last Tuesday with \$500 and who got lost between day with \$50 and who got lost between Kalama and this city, has turned up at Kalama safe and sound.

Gus Swerrock was brought to police headquarters yesterday from San Francisco in charge of Detective Condono, charged with the larceny, as ballee, of 180 from John Bittle. Gus was a bartender, and it is charged Bittle gave him the money to keep for a short time. A. Cartwright, hackman, was arrested

yesterday, charged with stinding more than three feet away from his stand, at the depot, soliciting custom. John Ihiman, a teamster, was arrested yesterday, charged with the farceny of a truck belonging to G. L. Davenport, in having berrowed the truck and failed to

Al Daly, alias Larry Kelly, arrived here from Seattle, Wash, last night, accom-panied by a deputy United States Mar-shal from that city, and was locked up he can or will look up the matter of importance. Douthless much depends on what it is,

Corvalite-Monroe Rural Mail Route.

CORVALLIS Or., Dec. 4—Regular service on the Corvalite-Monroe mail route

How a Famine Was Averted. ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 1 -- (To the Editor.) -Reading in a recent Oregonian an account of the first shipment of flour from Oregon, made by H. C. Leonard in 1855.

recalled another flour speculation of the

same gentleman in 1852.

I was then doing business for Abernethy, Clark & Co.. in San Francisco, and Mr. Leonard was a merchant at Astoria. Or. He wrote me, requesting that I would purchase and ship to him by first vessel salling 100 quarter sacks of flour. He said that Astoria was having a boom and there was fear of a flour famine, and he wished to have a good supply on hand to meet it. The flour was duly shipped and the famine averted. DAN O'NEILL.

VALUABLE LIBRARY BURNED Was in a House, Part of Which Was Built in 1853.

The dwelling and most of its contents belonging to James Ladu, situated at Ladu Landing Cowlitz County, Wash, were destroyed by fire recently, A portion of the house was erected by Mr. Ladu's father on his arrival in 1801, and there he lived till his de th. bringing up a large family. James Ladu succeeding to the homest ad. James Ladu has been a prominent man in that locality for many years, having several times been a member of the Washington Territorial Legislature, and though a Democrat, he has been postmaster continuously for about 25 years. He is unmarried, and lives with a nephew, James Burr, and family, who also lost most of their bouse-

hold goods in the fire. Mr. Ladu's greatest loss was that of the greater part of his library, which, for such a locality, was a remarkable one, comprising over 500 volumes, most of them the best books to be obtained during all this time, some of them being now rate. Among these were several bulky scrapbooks, which Mr. Ladu had gradually been filling up for 30 years or more with noted speeches, choice poems, historical summaries, striking editorials, bits of literature of unusual merit, stories of unusual occurrences, etc., many of them clipped from The Oregonian. These them cupped from the Oregonan. Inext he prized greatly, and is inconsolable over their loss. While they were of consider-able commercial value even, the value to their owner was almost beyond price. A small portion of the books, perhaps between 100 and 200 volumes, were saved, but most of the more valuable ones were

AT THE HOTELS.

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HOW ASTORIA LOOKS AT IT

COMMON-POINT RATE BENEFICIAL TO CLATSOP COUNTY.

At Same Time, It Would Contribute to Portland's Welfare-A Mouthof-River View.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 1-(To the Editor.) ASTORIA, Or. Dec. 1—(To the Editor.)—Clataop and Whatcom Counties, one located at the northwest corner of Oregon, and the other the northwest corner of Washington, are very much alike geographically and in their natural resources, salmon and lumber. Whatcom County has the Great Northern Railroad extending through that county, teuching deep water, with a good harbor, at Fairhaven and Whatcom (which are really one city, like Portland and East Portland), and extending on to the Canadian Pacific. In Clatsop County we have the Hammond road from Portland, extending from Goble to Astoria; and we hope in the from Goble to Astoria; and we hope in the near future that this may be extended across the mouth of the Nehalem through Tillamook, and connect with one of the transcontinental roads. Whatcom County is one of the most prosperous counties in the State of Washington. The rail-road has encouraged the lumber business shingle mill—wherever located—common-point rates, i.e., equal rates with the big mills of Tacoma and Seattle, for the shipment of lumber and shingles to the Eastern markets; and common-point rates for shipments west, wherever wanted. These rates have so much encouraged the lumber and shingle industry that What-com's shipments of lumber and shingles now exceed in quantity and value the shipments of grain from any county in that state. The little towns along the rallroad are prosperous, and Fairhaven-Whatcom today is a prosperous town, coming to the front. It has extensive mills and factories, large can factory, machine shops, and the largest salmon canneries in the world; and with its ship. canneries in the world: and with its ship-ping facilities with Alaska it is destined soon to have its share of the Alaska trade. It is today Astoria's rival as the Giou-cester of the Pacific Coast. I am certain that the prosperity of Whatcom adds much to the prosperity of Seattle. Clatsop County is not so active as she should be, yet there has been a marked improvement there during the last two years. There has been less salmon in

years. There has been less salmon in the Columbia River than former years; but on account of the better organization, higher prices have been obtained, and the cash paid for salmon in Astoria this year is about equal to, if not greater than, in "the good old times." Besides the Columbia River salmon, an increased business is done in salmon canneries on the coast; and the canneries started in Alaska by Astoria men add also largely to Astoria's resources. The lumber and timber business has doubled during the last two years, thanks to the commonpoint rate given by the Hammond road in connection with the Southern Pacific and Northern Pacific. Clatsop's salmon and lumber show an increase of \$500,000 over last year's product. Lumber shipped East from Astoria bears the same com-mon-point rate via Northern Pacific as from Scattle and Tacoma, and every saw mill in Clatsop County is running at its fullest capacity. What Clatsop County needs at the present time is that Ham-mond's road be continued across the mouth of the Nehalem River to tap the timber and coal of that section, and on through Tillamook, with common-point rates for the shipment of lumber and shingles at every station. Tillamook Coun-ty will then bristle with mills, and its shipments of lumber and shingles will exceed in quantity and value the grain shipments of any county in this state. With these advantages, Clatsop County and Astoria can have, and certainly will have, mills of the largest capacity on this Coast; and these mills will not only build up the smaller towns, but will also add to the prosperity of the metropolis. They will give trainlonds of lumber every day for Eastern shipments, and will load vessels of the largest capacity for all parts of the world. I predict that Clatsop and Tillamook Counties will be the heaviest producers of cash resources and freight of any county in this state—outside of Multnomah.

For the same reason that we want a common point to seaboard in Oregon, we desire a 25-foot channel between Port-land and Astoria, as soon as it can be procured. This improvement will be fol-lowed by first-class steamers—modern paiatial steamers—being put on and main-tained between Portland and San Francisco. This of itself will greatly benefit our farmers by reducing freight rates to and from San Francisco. And, with a 40-foot channel at the mouth of the Columbia River, we will have in the near future, not merely freight steamers, but modern passenger steamers, of 20,000 or 30,000 tons, plying between Astoria and the Orient; and a heavy stream of passenger travel, and fast and mixed freight passing through Portland to the Orient. This will tend to equalize and reduce freights. The \$2,000-ton ships of Hill's will be a great benefit to Eastern Oregon, and deepening and improving the bar and the Columbia River will be a benefit to the entire States of Oregon and Wash-ington. Deepen the channel to Lewiston; it is needed to reduce and regulate freights. The railroad can afford to carry wheat on to Astoria at the present rates. They can even afford to carry wheat at half of the present rates and make a large income on the actual value of their road. We pay 40 cents per ton per 100 miles on lumber shipped East. On sal-mon worth \$150 per ton shipped East we pay only 40 cents per ton per 100 miles, and this over the mountain roads; but our Pendleton farmers, on wheat worth only \$15 per ton, pay \$1 50 per ton for 100 miles on down grade. It certainly looks to me that the railroads might carry this wheat for half the present rates, and haul the cars back empty. Common points and lower freights will better the condition of the producers of Oregon and Washington-whether producers of lumber or wheat; and the prosperity of our cities, our merchants, our bankers and profes-sional men, depends almost entirely upon the prosperity of these producers.

M. J. KINNEY.

For the same reason that we want a

SUNDAY SCHOOL THEATRICALS Children of St. Mark's Parish Enter-

A very merry entertainment was given last night at Parsons' Hall by the children of St. Mark's Sunday school, which kept the large audience in a state of hilarity for an hour, after which the hall was cleared of seats, and informal dancing was enjoyed by young and old, lit-tle 'ots of 5 tripping the light fantastic with their mammas of 35.

The play given by the children had for

its heroine a beautiful Princess (Grace Ranft), who very narrowly escaped being kidnaped by a bold band of robbers, with kidnaped by a bold band of robbers, with fierce-looking swords, but joiliest faces in the world, their rollicking laughter send-ing off the audience into an uproar of merriment. But just as the Princess seemed lost to ber attendant maldens forever, a company of brave solidiers un-der a gallant Prince (Colville Nicholson), rushed to the rescue, and after a savage battle much sword-thrusting and parrying of blows made themselves victors of the of blows, made themselves victors of the field compelling the robbers to kneel and sue for mercy. A very hungry and blood-thirsty giant (Mr. Baxter), also appeared on the scene, seeking whom he might de-voor, but from all these dangers, the fair Princess and her damsels were happily Princess and her damsels were happily delivered. The play was largely musical in character, and the lively choruses sung by about 30 fresh young voices, were a prominent feature of the entertainment. One of these about the church "on the corner of Nineteenth and Q," which was written specially for the occasion, was especially enjoyed by the friends of the Sunday school. A solo was sung by

Robbie Crane, whose clear young soprano penetrated every corner of the hall. There was a recitation by June Sterling, and Misses Vida and Shannah Cumming gave a duet, "Rock-a-Bye Baby," that elicited very hearty applause. The costuming was quite elaborate and brilliant as to color, and the singing of the choir boys was highly enjoyable. Every child entered heartily into the spirit of the entertainment, and seemed to be thoroughly at home on the stage. ly at home on the stage.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Judge C. B. Upton, of Walla Walla, is at the Perkins, E. C. Kirkpatrick, a hopbuyer of Dalias, is at the Perkins.

C. Douglas Jessup, a hop merchant of Salem, is at the Imperial, Z. M. Brown, a Princylle cattle-buyer, is a guest at the Perkins,

State Senator F. D. McCully, of Jo-seph, is a guest at the Imperial. R. H. Miller, a real estate man of Sumpter, was at the Imperial yesterday. H. D. Langille, of Cloud Cap Inn, was among yesterday's arrivals at the Im-perial.

Addison T. Smith, private secretary to Senator Shoup, of Idaho, is at the Im-

Van B. DeLashmutt, the well-known mining man of Spokune, registered at the Imperial yesterday.

Hy Ellers, of Ellers' plano house, went to Spokane last night. He will be ab-sent for a couple of days. . W. E. Dunee, formerly of Portland, but now engaged in business in Spokane, was registered yesterday at the Perkins. Major W. L. Fisk, United States En-

transferred from Portsmouth, N. H. to Detroit. Captain Harry Taylor, who has been stationed at Seattle, goes to De-troit, and Major John Mills is to take Captain Taylor's place at Seattle. Captain Waiter Crosler, of the ordnance department, who, since testing the ord-nance lately mounted in the forts at the mouth of the Columbia, has been testing

ordnance in the new fortifications on Pu-get Sound, was in the city yesterday. He left last night for San Diego to inspect the fortifications and test the ordnance there. NEW YORK Dec. 4-J S. Day of Se-

attle, registered at the Broadway Central today. WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 .- John P. Hart-

man, J. A. James and Reginald H. Thomp-son, of Scattle, are in Washington for a

"Woodman, Spare That Tree." PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 4-(To the Editor.)-I read in yesterday's Oreconan of the amusement my communication regarding the indiscriminate destruction of our shade trees in the residence parts of our shade trees in the residence parts of the city gave the street committee, and I regretted to learn they ignored the mat-ter entirely. From the number of mea-ple who, after reading my communica-tion, talked to me. I know that fully three-quarters of our best citizens think as I do about this matter. Our many shade trees have always been

Our many shade trees have always been our many shade trees have always occu-favorably commented on by visitors from afar. Eastern cities spend large sums to plant and take care of their trees, considering it as important their streets should look as attractive as their parks. Now, as we intend spending a large *:m yearly to beautifuy our parks, why neglect our streets? Sidewalks also should receive more attention, as they are laid without regard to line. One owner has his put down near the curb, his neigh-bor near his fence. This, with stumps of trees left here and there, gives most of our streets a very bad appearance. I do our streets a very bad appearance. I do not object to removing trees that are damaging the sewers or thinning them out, but the indiscriminate slashing and chopping down of beautiful elms and maples is wrong, and when too late will be greatly regretted, and steps should be taken at once to stop this vandalism.

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