

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Amusements Tonight.

MARQUAN GRAND—Eugene Blair in "A Lady of Quality."

CORDELL'S THEATER (Washington Street)—"The Eleventh Hour."

MEZAPOLITAN—"Uncle Tom's Cabin."

AMEN STONING THE CHARTER—There is a great deal of anxiety among a certain class of citizens to know whether the Governor will sign the Portland charter bill, veto it or let it become a law without his signature.

STOOD THE WINTER WELL.—The menagerie connected with the Midway during the street fair in Portland last Summer is now seeking a large brick water-hou on North Fifth street.

SOCIAL SCIENCE.—The fourth lecture in the course of the University of Oregon, given by the lecturer, Mr. Wilson, on an opportunity to discuss the tendency of concentration on the part of capital and labor.

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NEW EXPERIMENT STATION

WORK ON UNION INSTITUTION TO BEGIN WITHOUT DELAY.

Farming in Eastern Oregon Will Be Vastly Benefited by the Tests to Be Made.

Work will be begun immediately on the new experiment station at Union, J. M. Church, of La Grande, one of the regents of the Oregon Agricultural College, yesterday from a meeting of the regents at Corvallis, and is at the Portland. The new institution will be in charge of the regents of the Oregon Agricultural College, and is to be located at Union, J. M. Church, of La Grande, one of the regents of the Oregon Agricultural College, yesterday from a meeting of the regents at Corvallis, and is at the Portland.

The climate east of the Cascades, Mr. Church continued, "is very different from that of Western Oregon, and experiments are being made on a basis for farmers in the bunchgrass region. In the Willamette Valley the climate is damp for a considerable portion of the year, while that of Eastern Oregon is inclined to be drier. Different forms of vegetation thrive in each locality, and different methods of cultivation have to be used. The state has a 60-acre tract adjoining Union. It is in a high state of cultivation, having been rented to Turner Oliver, a practical farmer. Grain and fruit are raised to perfection, as well as a certain quantity of hay. A large part of the tract is meadow. The state appropriation is only \$10,000 for the next two years, and this sum will have to be put in buildings. The regents, however, will do all they can in the line of scientific experiments, particularly in grasses. The bunchgrass of Eastern Oregon has been largely destroyed by overstocking and tramping, and the mission of the new station will be to discover what species of grasses can be introduced into the bunchgrass region. In this work every county in Eastern Oregon will be interested, as stockraising is a great industry in many of them. With the co-operation of farmers and stockraisers, the bunchgrass of a few years ago has been reduced to a few hillsides now worn brown and bare so early in the summer.

The people of Union expected a larger appropriation, and some of the farmers anticipated the building of a station, but a small fund set aside for the station will be inadequate for practical purposes, but we hope to demonstrate to them that the institution will be of great and lasting benefit to their town, as well as to the entire eastern portion of the state. We hope to secure a more liberal allowance as soon as we prove the usefulness of the station.

For several years past there has been more or less talk every Legislative session about Western Oregon getting the bulk of the state appropriations, and a sentiment has grown up favorable to the division at the summit of the Cascades. I think this feeling is now passing away, as most of us desire to stay in Oregon if we can get any kind of a fair deal. This new institution will serve to quiet the sentiment of migration and at the same time about a better feeling between the towns of Union and La Grande, which have been business rivals for several years.

The farm can be made more than self-supporting without state appropriation, as the land is the finest in the state. There is a good market for fruits, vegetables, grain and hay in the adjacent region. The land is worth about \$50,000, and with its yearly products an appropriation of \$10,000 cash, the state's assistance amounts to quite a goodly sum after all.

Four members of the commission will leave Portland next Tuesday for Union, and the work of constructing a substantial building for the station will be begun as soon as the plans can be drawn, estimates made and contracts let.

FIREMEN'S CLAIMS.

Much Testimony Introduced on Both Sides of the Case.

At the trial of the firemen's suits yesterday P. D. Jodon, who was secretary of the Fire Commissioners in 1896, created quite a flurry by testifying that he had seen the contracts between the firemen and the city, and that he believed the contracts signed by the men agreeing to accept reduced wages contained in a power of attorney which gave the Chief of the Fire Department authority to draw the men's wages each month. Mr. Holmes was also at one time secretary of the board. He testified that he paid little attention to this. He supposed it contained these contracts, but did not remember any of the names signed.

The contracts referred to are those said to have been executed by the men at the time of the administration of Mayors Mason and Frank, which, if they ever existed, cannot now be found. Jodon explained that the roll spoken of by Mr. Holmes contained nothing more than a series of powers of attorney which gave the Fire Department Chief the right to draw the salaries of the firemen, and to leave their stations and come to the City Hall to sign for and receive their warrants, so the Chief was empowered to draw the men's wages and have them around and settled up with the men.

These facts were elicited by James Gleason, of plaintiffs' counsel, on cross examination of the witness. In response to a sharp questioning by City Attorney Long concerning how he, Jodon, who was subpoenaed as a witness in behalf of the city, happened to testify for the firemen, and how opposing counsel knew he possessed this information, Jodon testified he imparted it to John F. Logan, one of plaintiffs' attorneys. He said Mr. Logan interrogated him relative to the various contracts, and when he was asked if he recollected having searched the various papers in the fire secretary's office and found this roll to be not contracts, but powers of attorney, and spoke about it to the witness, he said he was very interested in the case. Mr. Jodon made an indignant denial, and said: "I resent being insulted in this way."

Judge Sears said the question was a fair one to ask, and the witness had answered that he was not interested.

Mr. Long—Did you ever hear any of the men complain about the cut in wages?

Witness—Yes; the men were kicking about their salaries being cut down.

Further along Mr. Jodon stated that he had as a lawyer advised the Fire Commissioners that the alleged contracts were null and of no effect. Mr. Long asked if he had ever delivered the Commission a lecture on municipal law. Jodon became "hilled," and rising from his chair, exclaimed: "I never delivered a lecture on that subject, but as far as that is concerned, I know, as much about municipal law as you do."

Mr. Long—Well, that isn't much. There was a little more wrangling in the midst of which the witness found time to say that the only interest he had in the case was to see justice done to the city and the firemen.

Two cases are before the court. One is the Bloch suit, and the other suit is by John Montan, an assignee for firemen who served during the Mayor Pennoyer regime. Montan asserts that he is not at all interested personally in the result. These latter claims, which amount to about \$100,000, were ordered by the last Board of Fire Commissioners which served under Mayor Pennoyer, just before retiring from office, but A. N. Gambell, the City Auditor, declined to draw the warrants for the same. The Montan tag was one of the members of the board.

Robert Holman, who was Chief of the Fire Department in 1893, testified concerning the wages of the men in engine

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George Good, administrator of the estate of H. L. Darr, deceased, yesterday petitioned the County Court for leave to sell the real estate remaining. This comprises acreage valued at \$900, and suburban lots appraised at \$200. The balance of the claims foot up \$15,312, and in addition there are deficiency judgments in mortgage foreclosure suits, on which the balance due amounts to \$222. The mortgages foreclosed aggregate \$35,900.

In Death Not Divided. Mrs. Martha S. Cook, widow of the late Captain H. Cook, died at 823 1/2 Corbett street yesterday. Her husband, who was a well-known undertaker, died only a short time ago.

WHERE TO DINE. You ought to try the dainty desserts, juicy, tender meats and appetizing side dishes served at the Portland, 305 Wash.

The office of the Canadian Pacific Railway has been moved to 142 Third street. Those wishing a trip through the grand scenery on the American continent, in luxuriously fitted trains, should not fail to call upon or write to H. H. ABBOTT, Agent.

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Dr. Wise, room 614, The Dekum.

TOMORROW'S MASQUERADE.

The elaborate preparations which the combined lodges of Sons of Hermann have made for their grand prize masquerade ball at the Exposition, is an exceedingly successful affair. The prizes, now on display at Feldenhelm's the jeweler, are attractive and valuable. A large attendance from out-of-town is anticipated. Astoria and Oregon City have already been heard from. Brown's band will furnish the music. The refreshments will be all that is to be desired. The prizes, seven in number, are to be given respectively to—the most handsome by costume, man, the finest costume lady, the best sustained character, both man and lady, the funniest man, the most comical lady, and the best group.

Excursions to the East. The most popular way to cross the continent is in one of the Rio Grande Western Railway's tempting excursions, to Eastern cities, which leave Salt Lake, Utah, daily, making close connections with all trains from the West.

Passengers from Portland have the choice of going via the O. R. & N., and Huntington, or the Southern Pacific and San Francisco, with a day's stop off in the latter city, if desired, also the privilege of a day in Salt Lake City, via either route to that point, and on all classes of tickets.

Excursions leave Salt Lake as follows: Sunday, 8:30 P. M., via Denver & Rio Grande and Illinois Central. Monday, 8:30 P. M., via Denver & Rio Grande and C. R. I. & P. Tuesday, 8:30 P. M., via Denver & Rio Grande and Burlington.

Wednesday, 8:30 A. M., Colorado Midland and C. R. I. & P. Thursday, 8:30 A. M., via Denver & Rio Grande and Missouri Pacific. Friday, 8:30 A. M., via Denver & Rio Grande and C. R. I. & P. Saturday, 8:30 A. M., via Colorado Midland and Burlington. Sunday, 8:30 P. M., via Denver & Rio Grande and Burlington.

For rates and reservations apply to J. D. Mansfield, general agent, 253 Washington street.

Court Notes. F. J. Alex Mayer has sued William A. Street and wife in the State Circuit Court to recover \$600 on a note, and the Sheriff has attached lot 8, block 83, Portland.

Anna Cox, administratrix of the estate of her son, Philip C. Cox, deceased, filed a final report showing \$124 balance on

THEY SAY IT'S BAD

The "Bunny Hug" Dance Invades Portland

Interviews Pro and Con

Bad for Society; Bad for The Dancers

Introduced To Pacific Coast Society By Students of Yale

But Condemned By Terpsichoreans Of Good Taste.

Article in Sunday Oregonian

NATURE'S WAY TO HEALTH

When the human machine fails to properly perform its work, the osteopath seeks a remedy as would the engineer, if his engine was out of order. He knows the anatomy and the physiological use of every part, just as the engineer or machinist understands an engine. When each organ and part of the human system is provided with an unobstructed nerve and blood supply, it will do its full share of the work, and the normal condition of health will be restored and maintained.

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