

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

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AMUSEMENTS.

MARQUAM GRAND THEATRE—Tonight at 8:15, the comedy-drama, "Fiddle-De-Dee."
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COW FEED DOES NOT AFFECT BUTTER.

A professional man of this city, who is extensively interested in dairying as an outside issue and invests large sums of money in the practice of his profession in dairying, has been endeavoring to advance the dairying resources of this section, with such success that he is receiving good interest on all his investments, states that feeding shorts, bran and other rich food does not increase the quantity of butter fat in the milk they produce. This statement was brought out by a paragraph which appeared in these columns a few days ago to the effect that samples of milk secured from certain dairies by Food Commissioner Bailey yielded over the standard percentage of butter fat, showing that the cows had been furnished with shorts, bran or other rich food, and thus the quality of the milk improved. The expert in question says that the production of butter fat by cows depends on the nature of the feed, and not on the quantity of the feed. Some cows give much milk containing a small percentage of butter fat and so yield more than others, but this is due only to a small amount of milk having a high percentage of butter fat. To one not well informed on this subject it would appear that the milk of cows fed with grain or other nutritious food should yield more butter fat and have more of everything good or rich in it than the milk of cows which have to depend on the nutritious grass the fields yield at this season. The expert says that this idea is incorrect. The query is, Do all dairymen have the same belief?

SARDINES WAIT FOR CANNIERS.

There are large quantities of sardines canned in France and some canned in the East sold on this coast. It is said by experts that the sardines of this coast are far superior to those of the Atlantic coast, and as good as the French fish if canned in the same style. It is known that Shoalwater Bay is swarming with sardines. The phrase, "millions of sardines" gives an idea of their numbers. A resident on that bay says the sardines deposit their spawn on the leaves of the eel grass in such numbers that the marsh ducks fatten on them ordinarily, but are not doing so this year on account of the windy weather which has kept the water rough most of the time and tangled up the eel grass, and consequently there has been no good duck shooting on the bay this winter. A number of fishermen are preparing to get even by starting a sardine cannery on the bay. This ought to be a profitable enterprise if the sardines are as excellent and as numerous as has been stated, and will save sending a lot of money out of the country for French sardines. The fish probably no trick in the canning of fish which is not known to cannerymen here, but the great difficulty likely to be encountered in trying to make French canned sardines here will be procuring the right quality of olive oil to pack them in. Cottonseed oil will not fill the bill.

MORE STREETS TO BE TORN UP.

The resolutions adopted by the Common Council directing that notice be given of the intention of the Council to construct certain streets and improve certain streets, a dozen in all, kept a clerk or two busy yesterday making out the notices to be posted in the proper places. A citizen, who lives on a street which has been torn up all winter waiting for an improvement which appears to have no intention of ever getting done, noticing all these notices of proposed improvements, remarked that it seemed as if the Council desired to have all the streets possible torn up in the worst weather of the year. He was told not to worry, because it would be six weeks before the contracts for the proposed improvements could be let. No one knew how long it would be before work on them could be commenced. As some of them would require a long time to complete, the probability was that the streets would be torn up in the worst weather of the year. He has troubles enough to last him through this winter without borrowing any from next winter's troubles. The fact that many streets remain in an impassable condition all winter does not arise from overhauling in the action of the Council, but generally from the opposite.

DENIES VALIDITY OF CITY ORDINANCE.

Lawyer Ralph R. Dunlap appeared yesterday before Municipal Judge Hogue to resume arguments in a case where two of his clients, transient advertisers, were recently arrested charged with violating the city ordinance governing billboards. He had filed a demurrer, asking for the dismissal of the case, alleging that there were not facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action. In his speech, Mr. Dunlap argued, in part: "The City Council has the right to pass ordinances regulating the posting of signs on any street. But the same argument cannot apply when a man uses his private fence within his own property for advertising purposes." Deputy City Attorney Fitzgerald rejoined that in his opinion the city ordinance referred to was valid. He added that he had been unable to find any authorities bearing on the matter in dispute. Judge announced that he would take the case under advisement.

AWNING PROTECTS BRICKLAYERS.

A section of the awning which George Langford had made to protect his bricklayers from rain while at work on the Wehrhard building was put in position two days ago and has not been blown away yet. It appears to answer the purpose, and has shed off even the downpour of Wednesday afternoon. It is stretched partly across the west end of the building, and it will be observed that the wall protected by it has gone up faster than in any other place. When the awning is stretched along the whole 200 feet of the Oak-street front and men are working on the whole length of the wall in a pouring rain, the benefit of such a protection can be realized. The fact that the awning is only 15 feet in width enables it to be so secured that no ordinary wind can blow it away.

WHY PAY FOR WATER?

A householder who called at the water works office Wednesday afternoon when the rain was coming down in solid sheets, and was told having to pay for water when it was being so lavishly furnished free. He was told that the trilling charge made was merely for storing the water and making arrangements to cause it to flow into the sink and bathtub without having to be carried. There is plenty of water to be had free for all purposes, even in the driest season, even for irrigating lawns, if one cares to carry it from the river. Reservoirs and pipe lines, however, do cost money.

THE FORT PATTON HOME.

On Tuesday afternoon, December 2, the Christmas tea at the residence of Mrs. Theodore Nicolai, 93 Holladay avenue. This tea is given for the benefit of the Christmas candles and tea. Take Irvington car.

UNITARIAN HAZARD.

Thursday and Friday evenings, 7 o'clock, and Friday afternoon. Attractive articles for Xmas—dolls, fancy work, aprons, baby articles, pictures, candles, mince pies, fruit-cake, Refreshments. Music by Walter quartet. Admission 30 cents. A GILDED COMPANY and Ornament, St. David's new church, East 12th and Belmont, Monday, December 6, 8 P. M. Admission, 50 cents; children, 25 cents. F. W. BAKER & Co., lithographers, printers. WEBB BROS., dentists, The Felling.

FAMINE IN EGG MARKET.

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FUND RAISED TO \$11,450.

Mrs. L. P. Vial Subscribes \$300 to Immigration Bureau.

The fund for the Immigration Bureau has reached \$11,450. Yesterday Mrs. Louise P. Vial subscribed \$300. "It took Mrs. Vial only 10 minutes to see the merit of the project and to make up her mind," said William Killingsworth. "If everybody was as public-spirited, we'd have the fund all raised tomorrow."

PERSONAL MENTION.

W. H. Kenney, a politician of Chehalis, is at the Perkins.

C. G. French, a physician of The Dalles, is registered at the Perkins.

Henry Midrum, the Surveyor-General for Oregon, is registered at the Imperial.

W. L. Patterson, a well-known citizen of Baker City, is a guest at the Portland.

Mrs. Ray Gilbert and her sister-in-law, Miss Gilbert, of Salem, are at the Imperial.

C. L. Gilbert, who is building a new hotel at Hood River, is a guest of the Perkins.

Judge J. H. Riley, of Pendleton, a director of the Lewis and Clark Fair, is at the Imperial.

C. W. Nibling, the owner of the best sugar factory at La Grande, is a guest of the Portland.

F. W. Wendling, president of the Pacific Box Company, of San Francisco, is at the Portland.

Smith French, a prominent banker of The Dalles, is at the Perkins. Mrs. French accompanies him.

Jesse T. Mills, the Olympia Sheriff, who pursued Tracy for some weeks last summer, is registered at the Perkins.

Mr. Ed L. Drew, of Seattle, Wash., proprietor of the Third-Avenue Theater, is in the city, visiting John F. Cordray. Mr. Drew is also secretary and treasurer of the Pacific Coast Theater Company, embracing theaters in Salt Lake City, Butte, Spokane, Seattle, Tacoma and Portland, representing the Western circuit of Stair & Havlin, well-known theater managers of New York City.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—(Special).—Northwestern people registered at New York hotels as follows:

From Portland—Mrs. A. S. Norton and P. J. Jennings at the Holland; A. L. Craig, at the Imperial.

From Everett—J. T. McChesney, at the Netherlands.

From Seattle—W. C. Guyhart, at the Criterion; E. C. Hawkins, at the Manhattan; F. Waterhouse, at the Netherlands; D. McKellar, at the Victoria.

From Whatcom, Wash.—E. P. Y. Day, at the Fifth Avenue.

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Everything in musical instruments. See our big stock today and select an instrument. We will take care of you with delivery. Easy installments, without extra charge. Wright's Music House, 349 Washington street; Regal and Washburn agents.

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It's a good one if it's one of our pyrography points, and we have everything else in the artist's material line, including fancy wood articles, to burn. Sanborn, Vail & Co., 170 First street.

WHERE TO DINE.

"What to eat" solved correctly at the Portland Restaurant, 36 Washington.

Special six-course dinner at the Imperial restaurant today, 50 cents; second floor; take elevator, 15 to 2 P. M.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness during the illness and death of our beloved mother, Mrs. J. H. Briggs, who passed away at 10:30 P. M., December 3, 1920. Her funeral was held at 2 P. M., December 4, at the funeral home of R. E. N. Third and Washington, and learned about the new tourist car service. Route takes you via Denver and Kansas City.

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Here's the best sale of the season. A timely, money-saving chance for thrifty parents. Come early. We can fit anybody now. Delay, and it makes a different story.

These Prices Are for Friday and Saturday's Selling

BOYS' TWO-PIECE SUITS, sizes 7 to 15 years, \$2.50 to \$3.00 values.....\$1.85

BOYS' VEST SUITS, sizes 3 to 15 years, \$5.00 to \$6.00 values.....\$3.85

YOUTHS' LONG PANTS SUITS, sizes 13 to 19 years, \$7.50 to \$10.00 values.....\$5.85

YOUTHS' OVERCOATS, sizes 13 to 19 years, \$7.50 to \$10.00 values.....\$5.85

BOYS' LONG OVERCOATS, sizes 3 to 12 years, \$5.00 to \$6.00 values.....\$3.85

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FREE today and tomorrow only for those beautiful plaques with dollar sales at Law-Dave Drug Company.

St. Matthew's annual Christmas sale will open today at 1 P. M. in the Guild Hall, 229 Caruthers street.

GROSBES SCHLACHTFEST Sunday and Monday, December 7 and 8. Captain Schmelzer, Montauk, 12th and Morrison.

POULTRY, Wooster's, 7th and Morrison.

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A novel preparation in a novel form. The best silver polish the world produces.

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Sizes 3 to 15 years, gray and brown corduroys, also all-wool cassimeres and chevrons, many patterns to choose from.

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Every pleasure that sound can give is condensed on its cylinders, and the privilege of "boxing" your own and your friends' voices for future use is a never-failing source of enjoyment.

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The charm of the enjoyment depends on the clearness and accuracy of the reproduction, and for this reason the Edison phonograph gives greater satisfaction than any other device sold for this purpose.

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