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AMUSEMENTS.

SHIELDS PARK. Thirtieth and Washington—Vaudeville.
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MEET DUE TO GET THE BENEFIT.—A man with a case of bills under his arm stepped into the office of a business firm yesterday, and selecting a paper from his case, laid it on the counter. A clerk picked it up, supposing it was a bill which he was expected to receipt and take the money for. He looked disgusted when he found it was a bill which he was expected to receipt and take the money for. He looked disgusted when he found it was a bill which he was expected to receipt and take the money for.

CUCUMBER HARVEST BEGINS.—The cucumber harvest has begun in the fields devoted to the culture of these creeping plants, of which there are over 20 acres in the vicinity of Hawthorne avenue and East Thirty-ninth street. The cultivators are mostly Chinese, who at present are employing a large number of children picking cucumbers of the size to make pickles known as gherkins from a small variety of cucumbers of that name much used for making pickles. It looks strange to many to see such a scope of ground devoted to cucumbers inside the city limits, but there might have been more ground covered with them, as one Chinaman who leased six acres from Judge Rufus Mallory for a cucumber patch would have leased it more could he have inquired the Judge to let him have it. The amount of gherkins harvested in that neighborhood this season will be many tons, one would imagine enough to make pickles for all creation, but the pickle manufacturers take them all and call for more. The vines keep bearing till frost comes. If the fruit is gathered before full-grown, but if the cucumbers are allowed to ripen, the vines feel that their object on earth has been accomplished, and turn yellow and wither at once.

OBSERVATIONS IN EASTERN CITIES.—A young man who has just returned from a rather extensive vacation trip in the East started yesterday to give several friends who called on him an account of some of the things which attracted attention during his journey, and among the things from what he was accustomed to in Portland, he said that on the sidewalks along the principal thoroughfares in Minneapolis large signs were stenciled at every intersection. "Five dollars fine for expectorating on the sidewalk." He saw nothing more of the kind till he reached Boston, where at every station on the elevated and street railways notices were posted as follows: "500 fine for expectorating on elevated structure or subway." He saw no one arrested in either of these cities for expectorating on anything, but on reaching San Francisco, he noticed a man expectorate on the sidewalk and instantly a policeman seized him by the arm and marched him off. In arriving home, he inquired, and was astonished to learn that there is an ordinance in force in this city providing a fine for expectorating on the sidewalk, but was not astonished to find that no attempt was made to enforce it.

MORE TIME TO PREPARE TAX-ROLL.—County Assessor McDonald yesterday sent a request to the County Court, asking that the time for the completion of the tax-roll be extended until the first Monday in October of this year. The law requires the roll to be completed by the first Monday in September, but the court is authorized to extend the time for one month. This extension has been granted every year for a long time, and will doubtless be granted on this occasion. Under the new law passed by the last Legislature, to go into effect for the assessment of 1904, the time allowed the Assessor to make up the roll is from January 1 to July 1, and no extension is allowed. As much of the work of making up the roll will be greatly increased, and more deputies will be employed.

LEAVING TOWER OF PORTLAND.—Residents in the vicinity of the tower supporting the fire bell on Fourth street, between Morrison and Yamhill, are not exactly satisfied with the bell in that structure some 12 feet from the top. There is a very perceptible vibration in the tower to section mentioned, which causes some to be alarmed for its and their safety. As the bell is not swung when an alarm is sounded, but merely struck by the swinging tongue, there is no danger of any slight danger of any accident, but the creak in the tower does not look well.

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY WILL BE GIVEN on the 18th, 19th, 24th and 26th of this month to purchase excursion tickets to points East over the Northern Pacific. These tickets are good on the "North Coast Limited" or on either of the other overland trains. Call on or write to A. D. Charlton, Assistant General Passenger Agent, 25 Morrison street, corner of Third, Portland, Or., for full information, maps of routes, sleeping-car reservations, etc.

TO ATTEND SAN FRANCISCO REUNION.—The annual reunion of the Spanish-American War Veterans will be held in San Francisco from August 12 to 15. The veterans of the Spanish-American War, who are now scattered all over the world, are being called together to celebrate the anniversary of the war. The reunion will be held at the Hotel de Ville, and will be attended by thousands of veterans from all over the world.

LOW EXCURSION RATES WILL AGAIN BE placed in effect by the Northern Pacific on August 12, 1903. Tickets will be good for a round-trip over and back limit of three months from date of sale. For full particulars call on or write to A. D. Charlton, Assistant General Passenger Agent, 25 Morrison street, corner of Third, Portland, Or., for full information, maps of routes, sleeping-car reservations, etc.

COLUMBIA PHONOGRAPH CO. LOCATED HERE.—All who own or desire to own a graphophone or phonograph will be interested to learn that the Columbia Phonograph Company has opened a depot at 345 Washington street. A big shipment of new records having just arrived, owners of talking machines will find it to their advantage to call on the new agent.

COLUMBIA RIVER SCENIC seen to advantage. Regulator Line steamer "Bailey Gatzert" leaves Alder street wharf daily (except Monday) 9:30 A. M. Sundays 9 A. M. for Cascade Locks and returns. Excellent meals. Fare round trip, \$1.50. Phone 514.

TAKING REGULATORS line steamer for the Dalles and all way landings connecting at Lyle with Columbia River & Northern Railway for Goldendale and Klickitat Valley points. Alder street wharf daily (except Sunday) 9 A. M. Phone, Main 514.

HUBBARD. The Elk Creek house now open for the public. Oregon's finest summer resort. Stages leave Seattle daily for the Seaside Livery & Fuel Company.

DR. MCGAVY, who has been taking postgraduate work in Chicago, has returned to 217 The Dalles. Ask your druggist for McGavay's.

DR. ADAMS & NORTHERN Osteopathy, back in Dugan bldg. Phone Main 26.

THE PORTLAND LONG BEACH is open for guests. Bldg. Hansen, Prop.

HANGED BOY AROUSES SYMPATHY.—A boy of about 6 years, clothed in ragged, dirty garments as are seldom seen in Portland, was hanging about the basement of the City Hotel yesterday morning. The janitors and elevator men felt sorry for the little stranger and endeavored to find out where he came from, or whether he had any parents or friends to look after him, but could get no information from him. His condition was pitiable in the extreme, and he appeared to be aware of it. As he went out on Fourth street, he looked anxiously at all neatly and cleanly, if rather comely, clad, who were chasing merrily after an express wagon to get a ride. One was using a crutch, part of one of his legs being gone, but he kept ahead of his companions, and appeared the happiest of them all, and was the first to grasp the tail-board of the wagon with one hand. He took a few hops on one leg till he could shove his arm through the top of his crutch, when he seized it with both hands and all scrambled aboard, the driver would have taken him to a store and bought him a better outfit than the tattered overalls and dirty red flannel shirt which formed his outfit.

STRONG. The fulgurate scalp of the central of the Three Sisters Mountains, which was ripped off by Colonel Hawkins on his late ascent of the peak, thereby reducing the height of the mountain, has been deposited in the free museum in the City Hall. A hole has been bored or burned through the intractable mineral by one of the streaks of lightning so common on the mountain, and when the tail of one dragon on the summit, the force of electricity is emptied into the mountain. Beside the scalp of summit of fulgurate, he brought away a small, round box and a tomato can, both empty, and both pierced with holes by the electric discharges. The tomato can is so full of holes that it looks as if the electricity had tried to make the tomato can or pepper-box of tin. This summit is one of the places where lightning struck a stranger, and a lightning-rod ought to be erected there. A member of the John Burroughs Society, who has been studying the history of the "Nutcracker" bird brought down from the mountain, says the true name of it is "Nuthatch." The bird says it does not care what they call it, so it is not called too late for dinner.

SCHOOL TEACHERS TO BE EXAMINED.—The examination of applicants for positions as county school teachers in Multnomah County will commence in the Park School building at 9 o'clock this morning, and will continue until late in the afternoon. There were 46 teachers employed in the county schools last year. It is expected that there will be about 100 applicants for examination, including those applying for state papers. There are a large number of Eastern teachers coming to this state at the present time, and many of them will avail themselves of this opportunity to receive a license for teaching here. The law of Oregon will recognize a license from another state only to the extent of granting a temporary license, which would allow with the arrival of the following examinations. The State Board of Education is authorized by law to recognize state diplomas from other states, providing they are obtained in the same way that diplomas are obtained in this state—by examination and state authority. The board will be very busy during the three days it is in session, and it is probable that it will take about three weeks to grade the papers, the time depending upon the size of the class and the manuscript to be considered.

RACED TWO PEOPLE FROM DOWNING.—While a party of three gentlemen, consisting of W. A. MacRae, of this city, and H. J. Brenner and Albert Armstrong, of Tacoma, were returning in a rowboat down the Willamette river, Sunday afternoon last, about three-fourths of a mile above the Madison street bridge, they were attracted by the screams of a woman on the river bank. Mr. Armstrong, who was steering the boat, saw a man and a woman struggling in the water 100 yards away, about midway between the shore and the boom of logs at present anchored about 30 feet off. Mr. Armstrong, who is an expert swimmer, at once jumped overboard, and by running across the boom of logs, succeeded in reaching the spot just as the bathers were going down for the third time. It appeared the child's father, who is an indifferent swimmer, endeavored to carry her over on his back to the raft of logs, but when about half way across his head was under the water. Had not for the timely arrival of Mr. Armstrong, both lives would undoubtedly have been lost.

HER SKULL FRACTURED BY FALL.—Miss Maggie Wenzel, a domestic employed at the home of A. H. Willet, on East Fifteenth street, is lying at the Good Samaritan Hospital in a precarious condition as the result of a fall from a street-car in Irvington, Monday evening. She attempted to step to the street while the car was in motion and lost her balance, falling with great force on her head. She was picked up in an unconscious condition and, last night, she was thought to have an even chance for her life. The unfortunate girl, who is 18 years old, came to Portland but recently from Germany.

TO BOOST THE CARNIVAL.—The members of the Multnomah Carnival Association last night, after a very enthusiastic meeting, decided to charter the steamer Bailey Gatzert for a trip up the Columbia. While the members of the committee are very enthusiastic over the coming carnival, and are working night and day for its success, they feel that an excursion of this sort will stir up the members and imbue them with the proper spirit necessary to make the carnival a great success. This will certainly have the desired effect, and without doubt the steamer will be crowded to its fullest capacity. Large banners will decorate the sides of the steamer, advertising the exposition and carnival, and every landing place will be strewn with advertising matter.

RELIC OF BATTLE OF MANILA.—A plain, unvarnished cane of Oregon fir, showing the scar of a bullet puncture, has been presented to the Oregon Historical Society by Paul B. Cooper, of Company A, Second Oregon Infantry. The stick, though plain, is an interesting relic of the war with Spain. The tree from which it was taken grew in Oregon and was sent to Spain to form one of the masts of the Spanish war vessel Reina Christina, which was sunk by Admiral George Dewey, in Manila Bay, May 1, 1898. A portion of this mast was severed and cut into canes for relics of the affair, and Mr. Cooper secured one, and has presented it to the Historical Society, and it is greatly valued by Secretary Himes.

HOUSEKEEPING UNDER NEW TEACHER.—Hereafter the Portland School of Domestic Science will be one of the departments of the Y. W. C. A. Miss M. Lawrence, a graduate of the Pratt Institute, New Jersey, who has been assistant in the South Dakota Agricultural College, will be the instructor, and will teach all the requisites of the modern housewife.

MEETING OF MISSOURI SOCIETY at the Mining Exchange, Chamber of Commerce, this (Wednesday) evening, at 8 o'clock. Aster, carnations, roses and floral pieces reasonable at Burkhardt Bros., 234 & G.

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PLANNING THE CARNIVAL

MULTNOMAH DIRECTORS DEVISE NEW FEATURES.

Horse Show, Football Game, Sham Battle, Mardi Gras Festival, Chinese Among Attractions.

Judging from the enthusiasm displayed at the meeting of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club carnival directors last night, the forthcoming merchants and manufacturers' carnival will be a record breaker. Every committee had something of interest to report, and many new attractions were discussed and authorized. Contracts were approved for considerable preliminary work. Other contracts were authorized and in all probability \$10,000 will have been spent on the grand show by the time the carnival opens on September 1. This gives the public some idea of the magnitude of the show in contemplation. The finance committee has not yet begun its labors, but from what has been said, the carnival assured and its certain drawing powers a liberal response on the part of Portland's business men is confidently expected.

The committee on buildings and grounds reported the letting of the contract for the erection of the high-board fence that is to inclose the carnival grounds. This action was approved and the committee was authorized to negotiate for the grounds for a German village and to let contracts for the building of the arches, bleachers and grandstand. Designs for arches for the Fourteenth street field and standard entrances were approved. These are built on lines following the Spanish mission style of architecture, with the emblems and colors of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club worked in. The arches may be desired for the future the committee will invite bids on both temporary and permanent structures. No more attractive designs than those submitted could possibly have been prepared. This was the verdict of the entire board of directors.

Encouraging reports were received from the Jabor show, which will be a feature. The management of Jabor reported many attractions that have never before been seen on the Pacific Coast.

Among the special features presented by the committee on attractions, a horse show, football game, athletic meet, military tournament, sham battle and fireworks, maré gras festival, Chinese day and floral day. Still another feature decided upon was a dance to be given by the club. This is to be something novel and will no doubt prove one of the drawing cards of the carnival. Fred Praeger was authorized to appoint a committee of three to take full charge of this feature.

A King, Queen or clown, and possibly all three, is to be another feature. All details for this were left to the committee on special features.

Messrs. Simonds, Powell and Stinger were appointed a committee to prepare rules and regulations for the government of the carnival directorate and to report at the next general meeting, which will be held tomorrow (Thursday) night. George H. H. was also named as a committee of three to take full charge of the office of treasurer of the carnival.

The matter of electing a superintendent, which was left to the committee, was left to the president with full powers to act, negotiations having already been entered into with an old member of the club specially fitted for this responsible position, and which, it is believed, can be induced to accept.

OTTO MAKES CLEAN SWEEP.

Stands Off Everybody, Sells Everything and Disappears.

Frank Otto is a name that awakens memories in the minds of a score of Portland merchants. Otto is an enterprising young man whose system of enterprise is described by the police as just a trifle above highway robbery, although his methods bear the stamp of originality and are a trifle more subtle than those of the man with the mask and six-shooter. His notoriety is a trifle greater. He is indebted to various merchants to the extent of \$3000, and is missing, supposedly with more or less of that amount in his possession. All the merchants left behind a scanty stock of groceries, and a building at a few hundred dollars in a store building which he rented at the foot of Morrison street. Upon this, half a dozen creditors have swooped with attachments enough to paper the walls. The Sheriff has put one of his deputies in charge, and a Constable from the West Side Justice Court is also keeping cases on things. Otto's method consisted of the payment of store supplies on credit and their subsequent sale to restaurants and small stores at less than retail price. The goods having cost him nothing, he could easily afford to let go of them at very low prices.

Otto came here in July, unheralded and unknown. He started his operations with no other capital than an unlimited talking capacity and a faculty for convincing people that he was telling the truth. About the first thing he did was to call at the R. G. Dun Agency, introduce himself as the president of the Otto creamery, a wealthy Milwaukee dealer in cream, and secure a high rating. With the aid of this rating and a pair of tireless lungs, he made the rounds. He rented the store building from Meier & Frank, and stood them off for their pay. He also transacted the following very profitable business: Mason, Ebraham & Co. goods on credit, \$1000; Wadhams, Kerr & Co. goods on credit, \$1000; Pacific Coast Biscuit Company, goods on credit, \$1000. Small change for labor, material and goods, total so far not known, but supposed to be well up in the hundreds.

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CHEERED BY THOUSANDS.

Diavolo Loops the Loop Before Large Throng of Spectators.

Thousands of throats cheered the daring "Diavolo" when he "looped the loop," at the Multnomah Club grounds last night. Last night's attendance at the entertainment of sensation was a repetition of the throng that gathered in the grounds on opening night, an even larger attendance witnessing last night's performance.

The onlooker who watches the dare-devil rider sees probably a spectacle of less interest than the one who turns away and gives his attention to the faces of the excited multitude.

As the rider mounts the incline, "There he is," "That's him," and "Oh look!" can be heard from hundreds of throats. The rider reaches the top of the incline, quickly glances over the trusty wheel that is to carry him through the death-defying ride, and mounts.

The multitude bends forward, with eyes fixed on the dauntless rider. He starts. There is the quick intaking of breath and there is a scream from a terrified woman who has turned away from the exciting spectacle.

Down toward the barrel-like loop shoots the rider. B-r-r-r-r-r comes the buzz from the swiftly moving wheel.

B-r-r-r-r, the wheel strikes the inner base of the loop, whips up the great "Diavolo's" feet in the air, the only point where gravitation and centrifugal force fight fiercely with "Diavolo" as the stake, down the opposite concave, out upon the level again, "Diavolo" stands smiling, waiting for the deliciously excited thousands to find voice in which to cheer him.

The Kipatrik Loop-the-Loop Company will continue the performance every afternoon and evening, closing in this city on Saturday night. The programme is one of sensation from start to finish and concave loop and passes the crucial topic of interest in Portland.

Matinee Today at the Empire.

Never was as clever an act presented in Portland as the sketch of "Our Hebrew Friend" by the Empire Theatre. Whether they wished to laugh or not, the big audience last night was forced into a state of merriment which left them in a state of exhaustion. Mr. Rose is easily the grandest hit of the season, and Mr. Rose is in fact company this week. Anderson and Wallace, the travesty stars, give clever imitations of famous actors. Wilson and Leicester appear in high-class operatic selections, and the beautifully costumed Lillian Leslie is singing "Queen of the Roses." Resse brothers are clever rappers, and the government act with burlesque brass bands swinging in dizz circles. The Grerson sisters are excellent dancers and pretty, while the remaining acts are all features. Matinee this afternoon.

Amateurs Friday at Shields.

On Friday night Manager Shields will trot out a few more of his amateurs. Last Friday one train came from Oregon City to participate. This week Mr. Hoyt was also invited to participate. The young lady who recited "Curfew" is on the bill with "The Face on the Barroom Floor." There will be a lot more after the regular performance.

Sale for Amelia Bligham.

The advance sale of seats will open next Friday morning at 10 o'clock for Amelia Bligham and her excellent company, coming to the Marquam Grand Theatre next Monday and Tuesday nights, August 17 and 18.

Cool and Delightful Shields' Park.

A large and enthusiastic audience enjoyed a pleasant evening and an excellent programme at Shields' Park last night. "How cool and delightful" was a byword with every one present. But then, Shields' Park was always crowded, whether it is hot, cold or wet.

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