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AMUSEMENTS.

MARQUAM GRAND THEATER-This after noon at 2:13 o'clock, tonight at 8:15, the mu sical comedy, "The Burgomaster." EMPIRE THEATER, Twelfth and Morrison Matines 2:15; evening, 8:15, vaudeville. CORDEAY'S THEATER, Washington Street-Evening, 8:15, "Young Mrs. Winthrop." THE BAKER THEATER This evening at 8:15 o'clock, "Janice Meredith."

TRACTION ENGINE DISPLACES HORSES .- A traction engine for hauling wagons loaded with gravel, in place of horses, is being used successfully by F. Joplin, grading contractor, in graveling the extension be-ing constructed by the Portland Railway Company from Union avenue down Rus-sell street and out to Maryland addition, The gravel being hauled is from the excavation for the large sewer in the Cook avenue district. There is quite a rise to overcome at the start, and up this the traction engine hauls only three loaded wagons at a time, but from that on six wagons are attached, forming quite a The engine does not work well when the hill is slippery after a rain, but in fair weather it jogs along with six loads of gravel as steadily as a team with two, and quite a saving in transportation is thus effected, now that good teams are worth about \$5 a day. Some of the property-owners on the streets over which the engine travels are inclined to remonstrate against its use, as they fear it will break the surface of their street, but Mr. Joplin assures them that the engine will benefit the street by rolling the surface much more solidly than would be done by a steam roller. The facts in regard to this will be evident after the engine and its train of wagons have been in operation for awhile. Some of the property-owners say that they paid for a good improvement, and it should stand any travel that is re-quired to pass over it. Probably if the improvement should give way and they ould blame the contractor he would say that he had not agreed to build a railroad.

GRASS SOWN OVER BURNT TRACTS.-The past Summer has been very different from that of last year in the matter of fires in the timber spreading from burning brush or clearings. Such fires swept over large tracts of land in this region last year, and a great amount of grass seed was sown on the burns, as a good stand of grass is nearly always secured in this way. There have been no fires on tim-bered land this Summer, and very little slashing has been burned. Farmers and seedmen report that more grass seed of various kinds has been sown this year than last, and that owing to favorable weather the seed has generally taken well. This extensive seeding to grass is evi-dence that many are reducing the acreage they have heretofore devoted to growing grain, and will have more hay and pas-turage land, which will enable them to increase their herds and extend the dairying. This will be a good thing for all concerned, as there is always demand for more butter and cheese and for milk for condensing. Profits from dairying are likely to be much larger than from grainraising in all sections where good pastur-age and hay can be produced. The more land there is cleared and seeded to grass the less likelihood will there be of fires spreading, causing destruction of timber. BERT KERRIGAN DISABLED.-Bert Kerri-

gan, the well-known high jumper and athlete of the Multnomah Athletic Club, is laid off at present, owing to a slight mis-hap or misstep. He was doing a long broad on Mouday evening, and in the last "act" and last jump in it he missed the "take-off," a piece of board, and sprained the ligaments of his right foot o severely that he had to be taken home in a hack. He sprained his left leg sev-eral years ago in much the same manner while making a high jump, but soon recovered from the injury. His friends say that it seems to be his fate to meet with mishaps when least expected. They have been afraid that he would get broken up playing football, as often he has been buried under a pile of fellows, from which it seemed impossible that he would ever emerge alive, but he has always escaped unhurt, and his friends are now inclined to think that football is one of the gen-tiest of athletic sports. Mr. Kerrigan was all through the war in the Philippines, and often recklessly exposed himself un-necessarily, going out scouting, etc., but he returned without a scratch. He has been very fortunate in athletics, but it is an old saying that the vessel that goes often to the well gets broken at last. TREE-PLANTING ON A BIG SCALE.-One of

the oldest nurseymen of this region is J. H. Settlemayer, who was in the business at Woodburn for about a quarter of a century and supplied trees for many orchards now full grown. He retired from business some time ago, and was in the city yesterday looking up old friends. He says tree-planting is being carried on by many over a large scope of territory, and that there is no danger of the area of orchards in the Williamette Valley de-creasing. Apple trees are being planted most extensively, and cherries are next in order, but many pears are being put out, and prune orchards are being extended in many places. The prune business has had its ups and downs, but may now be con-sidered on a settled basis. It was started with a rush and hurrah of excitement. and at first was overdone, and the lack of market and bad luck for a year or two ied to many prune trees being pulled up and burned; but all these troubles are now over and a market for all good prunes is assured, and it is found that well-caredfor prune trees yield more profit to the acre than any other crop, as a general

STREET BONDS A GOOD INVESTMENT.-The money received from the sale of street-improvement bonds Saturday is being paid out by City Treasurer Warlein to contractors and warrant-holders. The amount sold was \$52,000, and they were purchased in lots to suit by six local capitalists. Some lots as low as \$1000 were taken. The premium paid ranged from ½ to 1½ per cent. The bonds bear 6 per cent interest, and at 1 per cent premium are considere a good investment in these days, when money is so plentiful with some people. Persons purchasing 6 per cent county war-rants, to run a year or so only, usually have to pay 11/2 per cent premium to se

TODAY LADIES WILL BE ADMITTED FREE TO THE RACES AND FAT STOCK SHOW AT IRVINGTON PARK, TWO HARNESS RACES. FIVE RUNS. BEGIN AT 2 P. M. SHARP. CLOSE AT 5 P. M. SHARP. DON'T FAIL TO SEE THE PRIZE-WINNING DRAFT HORSES, FARM CATTLE,

SHEEP AND HOGS. FIFTT CENTS ROUND TRIP.-Any landing between Portland and The Dalles, Steam ers Dalles City and Balley Gatzert leave Alder street wharf next Thursday 8:30 A. M. and 7 A. M. respectively. Gatzert stops at Vancouver, Cascade Locks, Stevenson, White Salmon, Hood River, Lyle and The Dailes. All other landings by steamer Dailes City. Remember, round-trip ticket only 50 cents. Phone Main 914. Notice.-All bills against the Multno-man Carnival Association must be pre-

sented on or before the 25th of September 300 to \$40 Month can be made by good boys at the Hasty Messenger office, 33 Sixth street. Apply immediately, READY NOW for work at our low prices

Goodyear Shoe Reputr Company, Yambill, near Fourth. FREE dispensary for worthy poor, Tues., Thurs., Sat., 1 P. M. St. Vincent's Hosp. ALLEN, KING & Co., 346 Washington st., will place on sale two dozen Gage hats. *

DR. BALL has moved from 4th to 7th floor Dekum building. W. GIFFORD NASH, plano teacher, 103

MARKS SHOE Co.'s store open for business

HOUSEKEEPERS HAVE A GRIEVANCE. Residents on East Main street, between East Thirty-sixth and East Thirty-ninth streets, feel fery much aggreed at the conduct of the contractor who is grading and improving that section of the street. In breaking up the ground with a plow he has torn up and broken into pieces the pipes supplying seven of the houses with water. They allege that the injuries in the main are wanton and malicious, and that needless impoliteness was used to the women who went out to remonstrate. The street has never been improved before, and the waterpipes are merely temporary or surface pipes, being buried but little distance in the ground. The residents say that a pipe might be broken by the plow coming in contact with it, and they have had no particular fault to find, but when the pipes were broken in several places they say this was done without and maliciously, and that if the men folk had been at home when the women who reen who went out to remonstrate. The been at home when the women who re-monstrated were so harshly treated there id have been trouble. The injuries in flicted are particularly annoying at this time, when plumbers are on a strike and it is difficult to get repairs made. The waterworks will not replace the pipes, and the contractor refuses to do so, and the ance of having the water supply

shut off is liable to last some tim "CHICKERS" PROVED TO BE TURKEYS .-The caterers of two popular restaurants became involved in quite a dispute yesterday in regard to a string of dressed fowls hanging in front of a Fourth street restaurant, which each was anxious to secure. As there is practically no game in the market, and everything in the line of delicacies or varieties is very scarce, this string of fowls attracted their attention, as well as that of many others. One said they were the finest lot of chickens he had ever seen, as they weighed five to six pounds each. The other insisted that chickens never grew so large, and that they much be young turkles. To this the first replied that no one would kill such young turkeys for market, when by keeping them till Christmas they would weigh three or four times as much. The dealer was finally appealed to settle the dispute. He said the fowls were young turkeys which were being shipped in from the southern part of the Willamette Valley, and which were in great demand. He sup-posed the growers must have more than they cared to feed till full grown. When chickens are in market as broilers, when not one-fourth grown, there is no reason why turkeys should not be treated in the same way, now that the stock of cold storage turkeys is exhausted.

Salvation Army is trying to make its rescue work more effective. Any poor girl in trouble and needing assistance may write or call on E. C. Organ, Salvation Army Rescue Home, 762 Vancouver ave-nue, and be certain of a kindly reception. THE members of the Portland Laundry. men's Association have decided that after October 1, 1906, all monthly accounts must be paid not later than the 20th of the month following that for which the ac-Sacajawea.—A meeting of the executive loard of the Sacajawea Statue Association will be held at Mrs. Cartwright's home, at Seventh and Salmon streets, on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Evangelist to Hold Meetings,-Evangelist Johnson, of Seattle, will hold meetngs in Immanuel Mission, 247 Couch street, Wednesday at 2:30 and 759.

DRS. HICKEY & HICKET have moved into their new quarters, 5th floor. Dekum. MARKS SHOE Co. new store, 291 Morrison. SEE WINDOWS new store, Marks Shoe Co.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS.

Deaths.

September 17, Leroy C. Quick, 30 years old, Good Samaritan Hospital, typhoid fever. September 19, Delia W. Underhill, 41 years old, Good Samaritan Hospital, stomach trouble. September 16, Mary E. Ward, 55 years old, Good Sameritan Hospital, paresis. September 15, Daniel Karanaugh, 71 years old, St. Vincent's Hospital, cholecystitis. September 12, Katherine Hastings, 40 years

old, 307 Pine street, exhaustion, Births. September 19, girl, to the wife of G. H. Carr, 150 East Twenty-eighth street. September 18, boy, to the wife of D. C. Rushlight, 570 East Twenty-first street. September 18, girl, to the wife of William Morrow, 621 Jefferson street. September 18, boy, to the wife of Don C.

Allard, 532 East Fifteenth street, Marriage Licenses. Johann Gotfried Fishher, 55, Wasco County: Helena M. Guenther, 52 P. A. Donne, 23; Elizabeth Day, 30, George E. Cain, 30; Mrs. Eva Shaver, 26,

Charles F. Lewis, 45, Spokane; Ella M. Haskins, 22. Roy Beale, 21, Umatilla County; Marie Pat-rick, 18. Ernest T. Dart, 24; Katherine Stampher, 22, G. A. Dyner, 29, Crook County; Margare

Contagious Diseases.

Mrs. Culbertson, 24 years old, 5831/2 Hood street, typhoid fever. *
Edna B. Davis, 3 years old, 631 Hood street, liphtheria. Nellie Gaffney, 32 East Fifteenth street, typhold fever. Miss Cora Clark, 25 years old, St. Vincent's

Building Permits. Mrs. H. O. Fields, one-story cottage, East Eleventh, between Bidwell and Lexington ave-

nue, \$100.

J. D. Tresham, two-story brick, East Alder and Grand avenue, \$15,000.

Stewart & Winslow, one-story brick, Thirteenth and Loveloy, \$12,000.

Frank Capell, one-story cottage, Leo avenue, between East Eleventh and East Twelfth, \$200.

Charles Bainter, Messtery cottage, East Charles Bainter, 1½-story cottage, East Thirty-first street, between Yambiil and Bel-

Real Estate Transfers. Hanna E: Scoffins et al. to Clyde J. Scoffins, undivided three-quarter interest in lots 3 and 11, block 5, north half lot 2, block 4; All block 5, except lots 11 and 12, Scoffins' Addition; also lot 10, block 16; part lot 34, block 14. Albina

E. Brosen to h. G. Brosen, lot 14, block 14, Mount Tabor Villa.

C. Throndsen and wife to Lucy A. Ring, lot 9, block 15, Sunnyside ontana Metallurgical Works to F. Kennedy, lots 8 and 9, block 77, West levington 2,300 Kennedy, 10th 8 and w. slock 7, West irvington
J. P. Pim and wife to E. B. Holmes, 10t 24, block 14, Williamette.
Joseph Paquet and wife to L. R. Pairchild, southeast quarter block 297, East Portland
Portland Trust Company to J. H. Rinehart, 10t L. block 13, Williams-Avenue
Addition Addition a prock 13, Williams-Arenue
James H. McNichols to Caroline Dunning, lot 12, block 2, Albina Addition
Ellen Hall and husband to William MeLean, west 4 feet of north 25 feet of
lot 4, block 145, Portland
H. S. Rowe and wife to Conrad Lehr,
lot 1, block 6, Lincoln Park,
Charles G. Strube to Marie C. E. Strube,
100x100, northeast corner Elamere Addition
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Herman Raster and wife to Anne Thomas, 10½ acres, section 14, T. 1 S. R. S.

E. C. Goddard to Mary G. De France, lot 6, block I, Albien Addition.

Charles Holman and wife to Warren J. Holman, west half lots 5 and 6, block 204, Hawthorne Hawthorne n J. Holman to Charles Holman half lots 3 and 4, block 294

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Credit to Vancouver, VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 21.—(Spe-cial.)—Colonel W. W. Sparks returned last night from Camp Weisenberger, the sta-tion of the National Guard of Washington.

He reports that the boys of Company G.

from Vancouver, are enjoying a pleasant outing and are a credit to their city. only one in its class because the only really palatable malt extract—Schus-ter's Mait & Hop Tonic. At druggists.

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AT THE THEATERS

"The Burgomaster.

Oscar L. Figman
Charles Sharp
William Riley Hatch
A. W. Hutchins
George McKissock
R. J. Moye Van Astorbilt

That brilliant musical comedy success of three prosperous seasons, "The Burgobook and lyrics by Frank Pixley, music by Gustav Luders, and under the direction of William P. Cullen, who will produce it for five years, was the attraction last night at the Marquam, and ever seat was occupied. "The Burgomas-ter" was well received and the encores were many, especially when Ruth White, Oscar L. Figman and Helen Dexter were on the stage. The chorus girls are petite but pretty, and they have good voices. The costumes and scenery are splendid. It is about 20 months since "The Burgo-

master" appeared in this city. At that time it was sung on the road by two different companies, but now there is only one, managed by Mr. Cullen, and he gives a representation not one whit behind the previous one. The seductive, catchy music haunts the memory as much as ever, particularly the songs "Madem-oiselle New York," "Keep Cool," "Tale of a Kangaroo," "The Hypnotist" and "I Love You." This time Ruth White, a San Francisco girl, is the Willie Van Astor-bilt of the comedy, and she makes a real-istic boy. Indeed, many boys would be irresistible if they were all as charming as Ruth White. She has a strong, sweet soprano voice, and also the advantage of an attractive personality. She is the girl who was selected out of a list of 400 singers to sing the ballad "Ben Bolt," in the production of "Trilby." Her impersonation of a boy is of the clever Vesta Tilley order. The original Peter Stuyvesafft is William Morris, now starring in "Babes of Toyland," but Oscar L. Figman worthly wears his mantle and leaves nothing to be desired. He is a comedian of the first water and last night kept the house in roars of laugh-ter. Charles Sharp, as Doodle, was a success, and he played admirably both on the saxaphone and trombone. Helen Dexter, as Ruth, the girl from Chicago, danced and sang splendidly. She has an

excellent contraito voice. As most people know, "The Burgomas-ter" is based on the act of Peter Stuyesant, Burgomaster of New Amsterdam, drinking enchanted whisky, in the year 1680, and sleeping until 1990, when he awakens to find himself in modern New York City. "The Burgomaster" is one of the chief events of the season. There is a matinee this afternoon at 2:15 o'clock, and the last performance is tonight.

Makes a Hit at the Empire.

John T. Tierney is a distinct hit at the Empire Theater this week, and is called back oftener than any other performer on he programme. For a fifth encore Tierney usually sings "It Is the Dutch," one of the new popular songs now raging in the East. Another new act is that of Allen Wightman, who models faces in clay and changes the likeness of William Shakespeare into that of the mother-inlaw and so forth with amazing rapidity. Raymond and Caverly are playing the farewell week of their performance and

"Janice Meredith."

Despite the numerous other attractions he Baker Theater was crowded to the doors last night to see the Neill-Morosco Company in "Janice Meredith." "The play's the thing," or it is the company, of which everyone is talking, or just the reliable old magnetic power of the popular theater. Something, perhaps all com-bined, draws in spite of carnival, warm weather and everything else, and the week without doubt will be one of the largest in the record of the house.

"The Burgomaster" Tonight. "The Burgomaster," one of the most delightful musical comedies that ever came to Portland and which made a nest flattering hit at the Marquam Grand Theater last night, will be the matinee attraction this afternoon at 2:15 o'clock. The company is composed of an excellent cast and a chorus that is both young and

Last performance tonight at 8:15 o'clock. COMING ATTRACTIONS,

"The Dairy Farm,"

The Marquam Grand Theater will offer its patrons Thursday, Friday and Sat-urday nights, with a special matinee Sat-urday, "The Dairy Farm," a play that has achieved remarkable success the past three years in the East. It is styled "A three years in the East. It is styled "A Romance of Sleepy Hollow," owing to the fact that the scenes are laid near that historic spot made widely known by Washington-Irving. "The Dairy Farm" is a rural comedy of the rustic life of Old Hurley, Ulster County, New York, just before the breaking out of the Civil War. The simplicity of the play brings with it the perfume of a new-mown field, and the turmoil of the busy street is forand the turmoil of the busy street is for gotten in fancy' remembrance of the song of birds and the sound of bees in the blowing clover. The production will be complete in every detail. Seats are now

"Young Mrs. Winthrop" Tonight, The excellent impression left by the Mordant-Humphrey Company in their first production of "Young Mrs. Winthrop" last Sunday night drew forth another good house last night. This play, which is of a very high order of merit and touches the heart of most theater-goers more than anything seen here for a long time, will be given for the jast time tonight, Commencing Thursday night, the Mor-dant-Humphrey Company will produce Nat C. Goodwin's celebrated comedy, "A Nat C. Goodwin's celebrated comeny, as Gold Mine." The Mordant-Humphrey Company received a perfect ovation in Seattle last week when it produced this play at the Third-Avenue Theater.

S. Miller Kent "In Captain Bob." S. Miller Kent, presenting his latest success "Captain Bob," will be the attraction at the Marquam Grand Theater next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights, September 24, 25 and 26. The advance sale of seats will open next Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

Advantages of Bascule Bridges, PORTLAND, Sept. 19 .- (To the Editor.)learn from conversation with Portland gentlemen that the subject of bascule bridges is receiving some attention in your city. Having some experience with this class of bridge in my home city, Chicago, I take the liberty of addressing you on this subject. The first bascule bridge con-structed in the City of Chicago was built some seven years ago for the Metropolitan Ellevated Railway Company over the south branch of the Chicago River, and has met with unqualified success. The com-pany has never had an accident on this bridge, and the ease of operation and the small time consumed in opening and clos-ing makes it far superior to the old style of swing bridge. Of course one of the chief advantages of the bascule bridge is the wise channel, doing away with the old center plers which have been the cause of so many accidents in Chicago. Another advantage is that the bridge, when opened, absolutely closes the street. At our old swing bridges, people have in numerous cases walked into the river when the bridge was turned, and in at least one case a street-car met the same fate. It is the intention of the City of Chicago to replace all the old swing

bridges with the bascule pattern as soon | or

as expedient. Two have been constructed this season, one at the North-avenue crossing and the other at Division street. Portland will do well to adopt this pat-tern. WM. H. CHAMBERS.

PORTLAND, Sept. 18.—(To the Editor.)— Your Issue of Thursday has the following: "The deplorable condition into which Portland's fire stations have been allowed to fall, owing to the smakness of the department maintenance fund, was pictured at yesterday's session of the City Council, with the result that an appropriation of \$5661.33 was urged for much-needed repairs and new apparatus. It was shown by Mayor Williams and several members of the Council that the expenditure can barely be avoided, as the stations, as they now stand, are totally unfit to be occupied by human beings." by human beings."

Further on is this:
"A bill from the Commercial Club for \$400 expended in entertaining the officers of the cruisers Marblehead and Concord was promptly ordered paid." Can you inform me whether it is in the province of the Common Council to

appropriate money for the entertainment It is, I believe, the general custom of our commercial bodies, when they enter-tain people, to pay for same out of their own funds or by contributions. I believe I voice the sentiment of 39 out of every 100 of our taxpayers that it is wrong to

take money out of the city treasury for junketing purposes. GOOD THING FOR ROADS.

Excursion Rates Work for Railroads' Good Both Ways.

Passenger department officials have been investigating the effect of the low east and west-bound rates put into effect during the summer with a view of ascertain ing definitely their effect upon the regular business of the companies. Though figures have not yet been compiled, it is likely that the decision will be that the reduced fares have not disturbed traffic conditions. "Of course, the regular passenger busi-ness originating at or near the dates when the low rates were made effective has suffered," explained a general passen-ger agent yesterday, "but our business has been good all Summer, and I believe when the result is learned from a revenue standpoint it will be discovered that the revenues of the transcontinental lines have been increased by the reductions.

"In any event, it would be hard to decide that excursion rates cannot be grant-It would be impossible, you might say, in this country. The Northwest is a new district, and we must encourage travel. Everyone understands the inter-ests of the railroads in bringing people West. We have managed to get thousands of newcomers to the Coast who took advantage of special rates this Summer. Many of these people came out of curiosity and returned satisfied with their present locations. But hundreds of others made investments and it is impossible to estimate the thousands who have been brought West this year to take up new homes on the Coast.

The low rates granted to east-bound travelers have a good effect upon the Northwest. They carry thousands who who would not otherwise make the trip, and each of these persons is an enthusiastic boomer for his adopted country. carry the story of the Northwest's advantages into countries that have not been exploited thoroughly by immigration agents and, being thoroughly acquainted with the people, are readily believed.
"It may be set down as a positive fact

that the transcontinental lines are satisfied with the result of the excursiness done during the year, and I believe our revenues have prospered."

Works Hardship on American Mines. PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, Sept. 22 .-Advices received here from Venezuela, state that the official Gazette has published a government decree sus pending the operation of the mining code for an indefinite period. This decree will render new acquisitions of mines in Venezuela impossible. The reason given is that a clique of politicians surrounding President Castro wishes to monopolize all the mines in the district of Cludad Bolivar out meeting any competition, would afterward sell the mines to foreign companies. The action of the govern-ment taken without previous notice will cause detriment to the American mining several mining claims in the district of the Orinoco.

China's Building at St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, Sept. 22.—The joists of one of China's buildings at the World's Fair were laid today, work on the structure having been begun last Saturday. China's exhibit will comprise five buildings. Ex-Governor B. F. White, of Montana, a member of the State Executive Committee, arrived today. Governor White says that the contract for the Montana building will probably be awarded in a few

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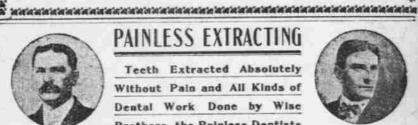
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