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AMUSEMENTS.

MARQUAM GRAND THEATER (Morrison st., between 6th and 7th)—Florence Roberts in Clyde Fitch's drama, "The Frisky Mrs. Johnson."

CORDRAY'S THEATER, Washington street—Evening, 8:15, the Jessie Shirley company in "Rip Van Winkle."

THE BAKER THEATER, Third and Yamhill streets—Evening, 8:15, the Baker company in "At the White Horse Tavern."

ARCADE THEATER, Seventh and Washington—Continous vaudeville, 2:30, 3:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30.

LAUNT OF THE CANVAS-BACK DUCK.—The fact that many canvas-back ducks have been received by game dealers in this city of late from Wapato Lake in Yamhill County, has led many to suppose that wapatoes, the favorite food of these fine ducks, were still plentiful in that lake and attracted the ducks. The carp have almost exterminated the wapatoes from the lake on Sauvie's Island and other places along the Columbia and they have been deserted by the canvas-back ducks for several years. An old-time sportsman, who has a farm in Yamhill County, says that, while wapatoes used to be plentiful in Wapato Lake, as its name indicates, there are none there now, the lake being been drained and much of it converted into wheat fields, which yield abundant crops, while the lower portions are swampy pasture lands on which hundreds of cattle feed in the Summer. These have eaten off the foliage of the wapatoes and killed them. The site of the lake is covered with shallow water in the Winter forming a temporary lake some ten miles in length and in places several miles in width, and thousands of canvas-back ducks still resort there to feed on be scattered wheat ears left on the submerged grain fields. It is, however, very difficult to kill many of them, as they are shy birds, and will not feed on what put out for them within gunshot of blinds, and when bands of them are shot at, they fly several miles away, out of the lake, and escape the hunters. The lake is so large that they cannot be surrounded or got at in any way except occasionally by stratagem. No wonder "Yamhill beats the world," when tracts of land are wheat fields in the Summer and a wapato lake abounding in canvas-back ducks in the Winter.

BOY IN PICKLE FOR OFFICE BOY.—A young woman stenographer, who is employed in a large business establishment in this city, recently returned from a vacation trip to San Francisco, and there was trouble for her associates in the office. She owns a fine bicycle, which she rides to and from her work, and she left it in the office before starting on her vacation. She has a cyclometer attached to her wheel, which shows how many miles it has been run. During her absence one of the office boys amused himself daily during noon time and watching the cyclometer tally the miles so, when she came home, it showed that the bicycle had traveled 1800 miles or thereabouts during her absence. She nearly fainted when she saw this and demanded to know who had been using her bicycle, and had left it all covered with mud. The other employes in the office all denied having ever touched her wheel, and she having proof of good reason to believe that someone was prevaricating charged them all with being a combination of falsifiers, and it took some time to pacify her, but she has not yet been satisfied. The boy who bedevilled the cyclometer and caused the trouble, wisely kept his own counsel, but his secret leaked out and everybody about the place learned it except the one most anxious to find it out, and she says the end of the trouble is not yet. His trouble will have only begun when she sees this explanation of the mystery.

RECOVERING USE OF HIS LEGS.—Sidney Raxsworthy, the traveling salesman for Neustadter Bros., who suffered paralysis of the legs some time ago, continues to improve slowly. He has for sometime been able to move about in a wheeled chair, and is now able to sit up to a desk in an ordinary chair, and make out bills, etc., as fast as any one. His friend, Roscoe Oakes, also a traveler for Neustadter Bros., who was attacked by typhoid fever at The Dalles, has completely recovered and was married a short time ago to a young lady of Butte, Mont., and they are now traveling together. Mr. Raxsworthy says he hopes to be out on the road himself and making the dust fly by the beginning of next year.

IMPROVING HOLLADAY PARK.—The dilapidated wooden sidewalk around Holladay Park is being replaced with cement walks and curbs to the great pleasure of residents in that neighborhood. They have been anxious for this improvement for some time, but could not be induced to undertake the job at their own expense, as the park, which contains four blocks, is the property of the city. The matter has finally been taken in hand by the city and it will have a bill of about $2000 to pay for the improvement. The length of the sidewalk and curb is 1936 feet, about half of which is completed and the work is being pushed to completion as rapidly as possible.

MR. CHURCH'S BUILDING NEARLY FINISHED.—The four-story brick building being constructed on Salmon street, just west of the County Courthouse by Mrs. William Church, presents a neat appearance, with its front of buff-colored pressed brick, and heavy cornice of galvanized iron. The roof is about finished and all that is needed to complete the outside is the galvanized iron ornamental work over the windows of the second and third stories.

The Indo-American Woman's League will meet this afternoon at 2 P. M., at the home of the president, Mrs. S. V. Hill, 161 Twenty-third street, corner Irving. Topic for the meeting, "Caste Conditions in India; How Affected by Missionary Efforts; Medical Practice and Governmental Education." All women interested invited.

DON'T forget the big auction sale of lots at Estacada, on January 12. Trains leave First and Alder streets at 7:40 and 9 A. M., with carrying capacity of 5000 people. Oregon Water Power Townsite Company, 132½ First street, room 5. This great sale takes place on January 12, positively, rain or shine, under good cover. *

TICKETS for the auction sale at Estacada will be on sale at the O. W. P. Railway office, corner First and Alder, on the 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th and morning of the 12th. Round trip, 75 cents, good only on January 12. Trains leave First and Alder 7:40 and 9 A. M. Secure your tickets early. *

ALUMNI MEETING.—A meeting of the Alumni Association of the Portland High School will be held in the High School, Monday, January 11, at 8 P. M. Important. *

FOR RENT.—Two very desirable office rooms in the United States National Bank building, corner Third and Oak streets. *

BOY HAS A PIG FOR A PET.—Harry Graves, a 14-year-old boy, who has been visiting his grandfather in Clackamas County for several weeks, returned home a day or two ago, bringing with him a strange pet in the shape of a little pig, about 3 weeks old. He is greatly attached to it, and it reciprocates his affection, following him about, and allowing itself to be caressed by him and cuddled in his arms. This piggy is trained to take its nourishment from a bottle with a rubber mouthpiece, as other babies occasionally are. Its mother, by some freak of nature produced a litter of 13, but had only 12 teats, so the unlucky odd one was taken to the house and fed from a bottle. Master Harry was allowed to give it "the bottle," and thus a mutual affection sprung up. The pig thrived and, when it was about 10 days old, it was allowed to visit its mother and the rest of the family in the barnyard. It did not take very kindly to them at first, having become accustomed to a higher grade of society, and would leave them at once at the call of its boy friend. Whenever the other pigs were hungry and began squealing for lunch, No. 13 would turn and run to the house, squealing just like the others, and would not be quiet till Harry brought a full bottle. Harry's parents are at a loss to know what to do with their boy's pet, as he will not consent to be separated from it and it is liable to become a nuisance when it grows larger and cannot sleep in a basket. They think it would look well with the hair scalded off and its little melt slipped under loops of its skin down its forehead and with a lady apple between its teeth, but the mere mention of this drives Master Harry frantic. Further developments in this unique case are awaited.

NO FENCES ON SAUVIE'S ISLAND.—A visitor from the East, who had occasion to call upon the owner of a tract of land on Sauvie's Island a few days ago, was much astonished at the scarcity of public roads and farm fences there. As is known to many, Sauvie's Island lies on the south side of the Columbia, just below the mouth of the Willamette. It is some 25 miles long and varies from eight to ten miles wide in the widest places. Half or more of the island is in Multnomah County, and the remainder in Columbia County. The soil is alluvial deposit, and the surface low and flat, and intersected by sloughs and dotted with lakes, the buildings of the occupants being in the highest places. The stranger was astonished to find that the roads across the farms were principally unfenced, and barred at boundary lines by gates. When he reached the house of the man he was looking for, he was told that he was "over yonder," in a field about half a mile away, but found he had to travel back a mile or more in order to get across a slough between him and his house. He was told that fences were not favored on the island, as in times of high water many of them were likely to be washed away, and that in the big flood of 1894, nearly all the fences on the island were swept down the river. Persons accustomed to visiting Sauvie's Island are familiar with this condition of things, but it appeared very strange to a stranger.

BREEDING MONGOLIAN PHEASANTS.—Speaking of the coop of male Mongolian pheasants offered for sale on Front street Saturday, which were raised in confinement by a woman, who has made a success in this line, Millard Lownsdale, who has given some attention to this industry, on his Yamhill County farm, says that many who undertake it soon abandon it. The pheasants are very prolific, the hens when first taken often laying a very large number of eggs in a season. He had one which laid 115 eggs and then made her escape, and he does not know how many more she laid. They vary greatly in this respect, but many lay 25 or more eggs during the first season they are in captivity, but seldom so many in the following years. Breeding pheasants is like breeding chickens or other fowls. Some people seem to have a knack at it and all their hens hatch full clutches and rear every one of the chickens, while other people lose a majority of the chickens one way or another. The Mongolian pheasant crosses readily with the domestic chicken, but the offspring is not fertile.

ONLY IMITATION MARBLE.—The lavatory on the ground floor of the City Hall is the only place on that floor where drinking water can be obtained from the water pipes, and on the main floor, the next above, there is no water pipe on tap. Occupants of offices on these floors and visitors resort thither for a drink, so it was no surprise to anybody, when the basin nearest the entrance was found broken as, while the basins are set on a marble slab, they are only flimsy earthenware, clouded to resemble the marble, but made to sell and be broken. The basin mentioned was cracked across and stood for some time in this condition, but finally went to pieces and for a long time was disused. A day or two ago about half a dozen basins were received and the broken one has been replaced, and the other five are held in reserve.

WILL FILL A HOLE WITH A HILL.—A contract for the leveling off of a knoll at Willamette Heights and the filling of a canyon with it has been awarded to Valentine Wheeler by Russell & Blyth. The knoll, which consists of sandy loam, contains 50,000 cubic yards and the dumping of this material in the canyon will change the knoll and the hole into four acres of level land. Mr. Wheeler will use an 80 horse-power engine to operate a five-yard scraper to tear down the knoll, and at the upper end of the endless chain will be a smaller engine to pull the scraper back. The amount of the contract is about $12,000. If the job is carried out successfully it may lead to other hills being scraped down to fill other canyons or gullies, of which several in the western part of the city need filling.

CHINAMEN WAIT FOR NEW ROOF.—The Chinese merchants, whose places were thrown open to the weather when the roof was burned off the Sherlock block, are having trouble in keeping their goods dry, and are weary of waiting for the new roof to be completed. Some have protected their goods by covering them with oil cloth, and others have moved them temporarily to other quarters. Charley Young has stored his in one of the storerooms of the new building at the corner of Fifth and Jefferson streets. The sufferers hope the roof will be completed by Chinese New Years, which occurs some time in February.

ALTAR GUILD INSTALLS OFFICERS.—The Altar Guild of Temple Beth Israel installed the following newly-elected officers yesterday morning: President, Miss Mina Boskowitz; vice-president, Miss Mattie Wolfstein; secretary, Miss Essie Meyer, and treasurer, Miss Lillie Brown. At the conclusion of an address by the new president the guild presented Dr. Levine with a beautiful set of John Ruskin's works as a mark of appreciation of his active interest in the studies of the guild.

RUSH TO PAY LICENSE FEES.—Applicants for city licenses have been attending to this matter at a lively rate since the first of the year, when a new quarter's license fee became due. Up to Saturday evening 316 saloonkeepers had taken out their licenses, leaving about 60 more to come. Today is the last day of grace allowed for taking out licenses, as well as for paying water rates, and there will be a rush of people anxious to do both all day.

FLAT-IRON BUILDING FOR PORTLAND.—A small flat-iron building is to be built on the corner of Second and Ankeny streets to replace the old building occupied by John F. Shea, dealer in plumbing supplies. The business has outgrown the store and to provide the necessary room the old building will be replaced by a larger brick structure on the same spot. This is one of the few corners in Portland where a triangular building is to be built.

FOR DEAD IN CHICAGO FIRE.—A solemn requiem mass for the repose of the souls of those who perished at the Iroquois Theater fire, Chicago, will be sung at St. Mary's Cathedral, Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock.

CARNATIONS, floral pieces and house plants at Burkhardt's, 23d and Glisan. *

DEMONSTRATION OLYMPIC PANCAKES. D. C. Burns', 147 Third street, today. *

AT THE THEATERS

"At the White Horse Tavern."

William Glesecke	William Dills
Charlotte	Mina Croitus Gleason
Ottilie	Gertrude Rivers
Frederic Siedler	William Bernard
Arthur Sutro	Howard Russell
Walter Hinseiman	Chas. Edwin Inslee
Clara	Osa Waldorp
Josepha	Esther Lyon
Leopold Brand	George Allson
Loidl	Bennett Southard
Resi	Ione Miller
Dr. Bernbach	Charles Clary
Emily	Ellena Blair
Melahie	Dot Bernard
Old Cracker	Thomas Delaney
Mountain Tourist	Frederick Bemelton
Franz	Glenn A. Byers
A "Piccolo"	C. McFarland
Lena	Paula Herbert
Kathi	Roy Bernard
Martin	Ernest Saxon
Joseph	G. W. Hawke
Ticket-Taker	Thomas Delaney
Sepp	Frank Jones

Mountaineers, guides, etc.

"Rip Van Winkle."

Rip Van Winkle	George D. McQuarrie
Derrick Van Beekman	Wilson Forbes
Cockles	Tom B. Loftus
Heinrick, 8 years	Helen Hamilton
Meenie, 6 years	Mamie Haslam
Seth	W. H. Morgan
Heinrick, 28 years	Edmund Abbey
Spirit of Heinrich Hudson	Harry Babb
Ewaggenoff	Frank McQuarrie
Jakie Stein	Less C. Greer
Hans	Wallace Hester
Gretchen	Laure Adams
Meenie, 26 years	Meta Marsky
Kaltchen	L. Odell Reise

Villagers, spirits etc.

It is related that a distinguished Anglo-Saxon wit once heard a company of serious-looking Germans laughing over a German joke, and that he asked them to explain it to him. The more they explained, the less able were they to see the joke. He then exclaimed in a weary tone: "If I could laugh in German, I might see the point." But there are laughs from start to finish in a most amusing German comedy in three acts this week at Baker's Theater, "At the White Horse Tavern," being an English version by Sydney Rosenfeld of the German play "Im Weissen Roess'l," by Blumenthal and Kadelburg. It is the first time that this comedy has been presented at popular prices. Yesterday at both performances Baker's Theater was crowded with highly appreciative audiences, and there were quite a number of insistent curtain recalls.

The comedy is tastefully staged, and at the end of the first act there is a realistic rainstorm, real water dropping on the stage from the rigging through the pipes of the newly-erected water tower. One scene is used throughout, the outside of the tavern, with its wealth of surrounding trees, river and glimpse of a snow-topped mountain.

All sorts and conditions of love-making are illustrated. George Allson has an attractive part as the headwaiter, and he looks the part to the life. An ever-present towel is hanging on his right arm, and his German accent is excellent. He loves the landlady of the tavern, played by Esther Lyon, who in her artistic make-up is beautiful to look upon. She has caught the true comedy spirit. William Barnard never made love—at least on the stage—so poetically as he does this week in playing Frederic Siedler, a Berlin lawyer. His clever conception of the part is an eye-opener. Howard Russell has an enviable head of hair in real life, but in this comedy he appears as a young man who is prematurely bald, while Osa Waldrop speaks with an assumed lisp. William Dills is funny to the limit as an irascible Berlin lamp manufacturer, and he has a grotesque make-up. C. E. Inslee and Bennett Southard do good work. Roy Bernard appears in a double role, Mrs. Schmidt and Kathi, a woman postman. As the latter, she wears a very attractive costume, and deserves the round of applause that marked her capable portrayal.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

Florence Roberts in "The Frisky Mrs. Johnson" at the Marquam Tonight.

Florence Roberts, the fascinating actress and great Portland favorite, begins her annual engagement at the Marquam Grand Theater tonight with an elaborate production of Clyde Fitch's satirical society story, "The Frisky Mrs. Johnson." As an entertainment with clever story, smart dialogue, handsome costumes, beautiful stage effects and brilliant acting "The Frisky Mrs. Johnson" ranks among the best of the new writings. It affords Miss Roberts opportunities in a new field of work and from all reports she has scored another triumph. Miss Roberts' gowns are marvels of dressmakers' art, rich creations in silk, satin, lace and velvet. "The Frisky Mrs. Johnson" will be continued tomorrow and Wednesday nights. "Sapho" is announced for Thursday, "Gioconda" for Friday and "Zaza" for Saturday matinee and night.

Advance Sale for Patti Today.

This morning at 10 o'clock the advance sale of seats will open for Patti at the box office of the Marquam Grand Theater on Morrison street, between Sixth and Seventh. The greatest singer of the age, Patti, together with her company of celebrated artists will be heard in this city at The Armory, Tenth and Couch streets, next Thursday evening at 8:15 o'clock in what will be the greatest concert in the history of the state. Out-of-town orders accompanied by money (mail) order and addressed to Calvin S. Heilig, Marquam Grand Theater, will receive prompt attention. Not more than ten seats will be sold to any one person.

At the Baker.

Next week's play at the Baker is one of Clyde Fitch's great successes, "The Moth and the Flame," a society drama of unusual interest and in the hands of the Baker Company it cannot fail to more than please the patrons of this popular house.

New Bill at the Arcade.

The new vaudeville programme, with five star acts, commences at the Arcade Theater today. Five shows, at 2:30, 3:30, 7:30, 8:30 and 9:30.

CALIFORNIA FOR THE FAIR.

Her Delegation in Congress Asked to Work for Appropriation.

California's delegation in Congress has been requested to assist the Oregon delegation in securing the passage of the appropriation bill for the Lewis and Clark Fair. This information was brought yesterday by Charles W. Coe, of San Jose, who is here in attendance upon the live-stock convention. He stated that the Chamber of Commerce of San Jose had drafted a letter to the Representatives of California in Congress, urging that they assist Oregon in every way possible in getting the appropriation asked for to ensure the success of the Exposition.

"The people of California," said he, "feel that this Fair will be a great thing for the Coast, not alone for Oregon, but for California and all of the Pacific States. Hence we are anxious to see it prove to be the success it deserves to be. We have a selfish interest in it, and want to see every thing move along smoothly. I think the same feeling prevails throughout the State of California, and Oregon may expect every possible assistance from her sister state."

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RESULT OF PUSHING.

Good Work Achieved by East 28th Street Improvement Association.

The annual report of W. T. Gardner, secretary of the East Twenty-eighth Street Improvement Association for 1903, shows what a neighborhood push club can do when fairly well supported. Mr. Gardner says that the club was organized in December, 1902, with a small membership. The first important agitation was for water mains. These have been secured in the 20-inch main laid from Sunnyside and the eight-inch pipe across Sullivan's Gulch into Irvington. Next the club went after electric lights, and secured six arcs. Free delivery was secured after long agitation, and mail boxes have been placed throughout the district. Sewerage and gas mains came next, so that the district is well provided in this respect.

One of the most important achievements was in inducing the Board of Education to purchase a full block of 10 lots for school purposes, and it need be no surprise if the association convinces the taxpayers' meeting that it ought to have an eight-room building erected this year. That community will go to the meeting next Thursday well organized to present its wants. Secretary Gardner will mail today a note to every member of the association, informing him that he is appointed on a committee to appear at the High School Thursday evening at 7:30 to vote for an eight-room building.

Besides this schoolhouse, the club will devote its energies this year to the general improvement of streets, starting with East Twenty-eighth, which will be paved in the Spring with bank gravel.

In the matter of fire protection the club has been promised that eight hydrants are to be placed at convenient intersections. The district is to be beautified with ornamental trees, shrubbery and flowers. There will be a general movement along this line, under the leadership of the club, which has already secured terms on shade trees in quantities.

ARC LIGHTS FOR MILWAUKIE.

Property-Owners Petition for Them—Era of Improvement Comes.

"We are sure to get electric lights, sidewalks and other things in Milwaukie in a short time," said Isaac Mullen, the defeated candidate for Mayor of that new corporation.

Mayor William Schindler, at the first meeting of the new Council, appointed Isaac Mullen, T. R. A. Sellwood and F. Berkemeier a committee to canvass the town to ascertain if the property-owners were willing to be taxed to pay for three arc lights at a cost of $180 a year. He selected this committee from among those who had been opposed to him and to incorporation, and the results show that he displayed good judgment. Mr. Mullen says that more than 40 of the leading property-owners of Milwaukie have signed the petition for electric lights. The appointment of committees of citizens to carry out measures starting in the Council is unusual, but Mayor Schindler has found it works well, as it gives the citizens themselves a say in affairs. Already lumber is piled up along Main street and sidewalks are being laid. Directors of the school district have advertised for bids to lay 200 feet of walks, six feet wide. The street is 80 feet wide and can be made a beautiful avenue, lined as it is with trees. Crosswalks will be built by the city. All the old houses on the street have been repaired and general improvements have been made.

The arc lights will be placed on high poles, so they will light the town and surroundings. The General Electric Company will stretch wires from Sellwood for the arcs and for lights in dwellings as well.

The Improvement Association will resume its work in the Spring. Last year it was the means of disposing of $30,000 worth of property and getting many newcomers, and Mayor Schindler estimates that at least $50,000 worth of land will be sold to homebuilders in 1904.

BELOW THE ESTIMATE.

Improvement of Mississippi Avenue Cheap—Double Car Tracks Next.

Brower & Miller got the contract for replanking Mississippi avenue from Morris to Skidmore streets for something over $10,000. The City Engineer estimated the cost at $15,000, but the reduction in the cost of lumber makes the difference in favor of the property-owners.

M. E. Thompson, of the Albina Board of Trade said yesterday: "Mr. Swigert, of the City & Suburban Railway Company, informed me Saturday that he would put a force of men to work on the double tracks on the avenue as soon as he got another job off his hands. That will be in a short time.

"It is not yet settled whether the tracks will be laid on Michigan avenue or Albina avenue in order to reach Killingsworth avenue. It will depend on whether the people interested in getting the tracks on Michigan avenue raise about $500 to secure the right of way. The track can be swung onto Albina avenue by securing two lots, but on Michigan avenue several lots will have to be used. I think the company will build straight through to Killingsworth avenue on one or the other, at the same time that the street is replanked."

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Mount Hood Installation.

The following officers of Mount Hood Circle, Women of Woodcraft, will be installed tomorrow night in Woodmen Hall, East Sixth street: Past guardian neighbor, Mary J. Funk; guardian neighbor, Mary Dubois; advisor, Alta J. Coplan; magician, Clara Zipsy; clerk, Lou Ellen Cornell; banker, Henrietta Taylor; attendant, Mary M. Morgan; captain of guards, Alta Munro; inner sentinel, Fannie M. Smith; outer sentinel, Isabella M. Frazier; musician, Nina M. Howe; managers, Mary F. Ferguson, Gertrude Brobst, J. M. Woodworth.

To Provide Elevator for Home.

The benefit for the Home for the Aged at Sunnyside to be given by the Y. M. I. on the evening of January 20, in the Empire Theater, promises to be a success. It is to provide funds with which to install an elevator in the Home building, so that the aged people will not be compelled to walk up many flights of stairs. John P. McEntee, chairman of the general committee, reports that the sales of tickets have been satisfactory so far. Talent has been promised by managers of the leading theaters.

Put In More School Desks.

The directors of the Milwaukie school were compelled to put in more desks last week. Arrangements were made with the directors of the Concord district for some pupils in the higher grades to enter the Milwaukie school. Principal L. A. Read reports attendance at 159 pupils. The Milwaukie school has become an important center of education, as it is helping out four outside districts.

To Organize Roosevelt Club.

The President Roosevelt Club will be organized in Blanck's Hall Friday evening, February 15. All citizens, whether Republicans or Democrats, who favor nomination of President Roosevelt, will be welcome to join this club and contribute their mite. M. G. Griffin will explain the objects of the club.

Funeral of Henry Fuhr.

The funeral of Henry Fuhr, an old Portland hotelkeeper, was held yesterday afternoon, and the interment was in Lone Fir Cemetery. The services were attended by members of Harmony Lodge, No. 12, A. F. & A. M., and Hope, No. 1, A. O. U. W., of which he was a member.

Death of Mrs. Emma Miller.

Mrs. Emma Miller, wife of Rev. Fred Miller, died at her home, 1208 East Main street, Sunnyside, Saturday. She was 55 years old, and had lived in Portland 11 years. The funeral will be held from the family residence this afternoon at 3:30.

Will Celebrate Paying Debt.

The congregation of the First English Evangelical Church, East Sixth and Market streets, will celebrate paying off a $1500 debt on the evening of February 2. A committee is making arrangements for the jubilee.

PERSONAL MENTION.

W. L. Nichols, a prominent stockman of Riddle, is in the city to attend the live-stock convention.

Clarence A. Burbank, Jr., head usher at the Marquam Theater, is back from a trip to Southern Oregon, where he went to inspect his timber claim. He received a glad welcome home.

George Gianini, manager of the L. Scatena Company, San Francisco, is a guest at the Portland. Mr. Gianini is well known throughout the West as a wholesale dealer and is a relative of John Cordano, of this city.

Judge Cleland, of the State Circuit Court, who has been confined to his house for a week by a slight attack of pneumonia, has so far recovered that he will take his seat on the bench today, it being the first day of a new term of court.

Mr. Joseph S. Kiest, the local representative of Levi Strauss & Co., of San Francisco, has sufficiently recovered from the injuries he received Christmas to be out again. He slipped on a wet doorstep and, in falling, broke a rib, which has kept him confined to his room in the Portland until yesterday, when he was able to come down to meals. Mr. Kiest was preparing to move his headquarters to the new building at Sixth and Oak streets when he met with this accident, and he was much pleased to learn yesterday that his clerk had moved his office and sample-room during the time he was confined to his room.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—(Special.)—Southwestern people registered at New York hotels today as follows:

From Portland—F. Gilmore, at the Spalding; Captain Hollingsworth and wife, at the Winsonia; S. Schultz, at the Ashland.

From Baker City, Or.—H. S. Driver, at the Astor.

Gates Well Known in Marion.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 10.—(Special.)—John H. Gates, who died suddenly in Portland yesterday morning, was formerly a resident of Woodburn, Marion County. For a number of years he was a respected citizen of that town, but took to drink and soon lost his standing. About two years ago, while at Eugene, he forged the name of H. W. Corbett to a check and for this he was sent to the penitentiary. Gates was a janitor at the Capitol during the Legislative session of 1901.

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Fitness of Colonel R. W. Mitchell to Aid in Lewis and Clark Centennial.

Among those indorsed and urged for appointment by the President as one of the seven United States Commissioners for the Lewis and Clark Exposition is Colonel Robert W. Mitchell, of Portland. A more fit man cannot be found in Oregon. He has had successful experience, is largely acquainted throughout the state and is equipped with a large amount of common sense. His local experience is well known, especially in that it has been a success. He has shown that he knows what the people want and knows how to present it. He is well acquainted in the East and familiar with the West. He knows an exposition and what it should present. He is not opinionated, but listens to counsel. He is a man of affairs and is reliable. With every part of Oregon he is familiar—its resources and its prospects. As chief clerk of the Northern Pacific he was a potent factor in populating the Pacific Northwest. Through his efforts a greater immigration was turned this way than through any other individual instrumentality. His management of the Portland Industrial Exposition was of the first class and without friction. Colonel Mitchell is a thorough exposition man, and a better appointment could not be made. He has been a success in every state position he has occupied, especially as Adjutant-General. In that office he suppressed three riots, at a total cost to the state of $82.

Plan to Save Beach Gold.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 10.—(Special.)—Representative B. F. Jones, of Lincoln County, while in Albany on his way home from Portland, said today that he has evolved a scheme for extracting precious metals from the sands of the sea coast that he thinks will prove successful. It is a system of placer mining. The sands of the coast are rich in platinum and gold, Mr. Jones asserts, and the man who can separate the metal from the sands can make money.

Mr. Jones recently sent a quantity of the sand to New York and received pay for it at the rate of $7.50 per ounce, which shows that there are riches in the Oregon sea coast. Mr. Jones says he owns a mile and a half of ocean beach near Otter Rock, just northwest of Newport.

Milwaukie Store Robbed of Goods.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 10.—(Special.)—The general merchandise store of O. Wissinger, at Milwaukie, was entered by burglars Saturday night and robbed of a considerable quantity of goods. No money was taken and the principal booty carried away consisted of canned goods. It is believed that the robbery was committed by local characters.

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