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AMUSEMENTS.

CORDRAY'S THEATER, Washington St.—Matinee, 2:15; evening, 8:15, "Maloney's Wedding."

THE BAKER THEATER, Third and Yamhill streets—Matinee, 2:15; evening, 8:15, the Baker Company in "A Celebrated Case."

ARCADE THEATER, Seventh and Washington—Continuous vaudeville, 2:30 to 10:30.

CHICAGO MAN TIRED OF MILD CLIMATE.—A citizen of Chicago who has been visiting a friend in this city for a week has become tired of hearing comparisons drawn between the climate here and in his native city. He has been driven about town extensively, and has had his attention called to the roses in bloom, the verdure of the grass in the parks, and other things which give evidence of the mild nature of the Oregon Winter, and has duly expressed his astonishment and gratification. During his drives about the city his attention has not been called to the condition of the streets generally, but he has noticed their condition and the style of improving them, which in some places does not appear to improve. Yesterday he got in a return thrust on his part on the mild climate. He had been driven out to the White House, and on the way back the host forgot himself and came into the city by way of Hood street. This thoroughfare has long been in an almost impassable condition, and Councilman Zimmerman, who has failed in two attempts to secure its improvement, is now making another effort which is likely to prove successful. Pending the result of this attempt Hood street is being kept in a condition almost passable by temporarily paving the worst places with loads of slabwood edgings. While passing over this quagmire the Chicago man remarked that cold, freezing Winters had some advantages over mild, rainy ones, as they made bad streets passable for several months, and by solidifying all driveways gave them a rest by freedom from wear and tear, while here in Portland it seemed to him that all the improvements made during Summer were destroyed during the Winter. The host managed to turn the conversation, and has dropped the mild-Winter question.

BAD HOLE ON PINE STREET.—Several complaints have been brought or telephoned to The Oregonian within the past day or two in regard to a "bad hole" on Pine street, between Sixth and Seventh streets. From the bitterness of some of these complaints it was supposed that this hole was big enough to swallow up a church, or a horse and wagon at least. Inquiry into the matter has elicited the information that the condition at the place mentioned is not so good as it should be, but that it is not dangerous or even serious, the surface being merely below the grade. There are scores and scores of worse places in streets about town, at the present time. The fault of this is attributable to the property-owners, who have put off the improvement of the street too long. The Engineer's Department attends promptly to the improvement or repair of streets, as soon as the property-owners petition for this, but can take no steps in such matters without the necessary formalities being complied with, except in urgent cases, to make temporary repairs for the safety of the public. There is no such urgency on Pine street between Sixth and Seventh, the officials say, and besides, the improvement of the street has been petitioned for. Bids for doing the work have been advertised for, and in due time the "bad hole" complained of will be raised to the proper grade, and an asphalt pavement laid there, and the curbs and sidewalks will also be attended to. Complainants may, therefore, possess their souls with patience and console themselves with the thought that there are many worse streets in the city than the part of Pine between Sixth and Seventh.

SALOON DRIVES OUT WASHHOUSE.—The march of progress and improvement and the unquenchable thirst of the white man have ousted See Lee, a Chinese "washee-washee" man, from the quarters he has occupied for many years in an old wooden building at the southeast corner of Third and Market streets. The building has been leased to a white man, who will renovate it and open a saloon there. See Lee has leased a lot at the intersection of Front and Mill streets for a term of years and is constructing a washhouse there at an expense of about $1000. He figures that by the time his lease expires he will want to return to China, and will probably remain there, as there is but slight prospect that he will ever be allowed to place foot on the hallowed soil of America again. Some 15 or 20 years ago there were over 100 Chinese washmen engaged in business in Portland, but now there are only 30 to 35, and See Lee calculates than in ten years there will be no Chinese left in Oregon. Many Chinese now here have been here a long time, and would like to end their days here, but they all want to visit their native land, and if they could come back they would, but they cannot, so they stay there, and consequently there will soon be none here. See Lee is disgusted with the idea that he had to give way to a saloon, he being a temperance man.

MORE ICE THAN SPROUTS.—The barrels of green peas, string beans and other Spring vegetables arriving from California at present are very liberally iced, so much being placed in the center and at the ends of the barrels as to lead to the supposition that the ice was weighed with the vegetable at the same price. This idea was scouted by a clerk who was yesterday throwing blocks of ice into the street, as the weather was so cool that it was not worth saving. A retailer who had asked the question bought 50 pounds of Brussels sprouts in the bottom of a barrel, and soon after came back to say that there had been only 15 pounds of sprouts and 35 pounds of ice below them, for which he had been charged 6 cents a pound, and which he wished to have placed to his credit.

LAWS OF SPECIAL SESSION.—The general laws, joint resolutions and memorials of the special session of the Legislative Assembly of 1903 have been published by State Printer S. B. Whitney. They form a thin volume of 48 pages, 42 of which are reading matter and the remainder the index. This is probably the thinnest volume of General Laws of Oregon ever issued.

RELIEF CORPS TO GIVE SOCIALS.—The executive committee of George Wright Relief Corps has arranged for a series of six whist socials, which will be held in Eagles' Hall the last Saturday evening in each month. Light refreshments will be served, and members of the other G. A. R. posts and corps and all friends are invited to attend.

FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Corner Taylor and Third streets. Dr. Talbott will preach at 10:30 A. M. and at 7:30 P. M. Subject of evening sermon, "Why Some Men Die." *

OFFICES for rent in new building, 129 Seventh street, between Washington and Alder. Apply to A. B. McAlpin, photographer, on premises. *

MULTNOMAH AMATEUR ATHLETIC CLUB.—Members will meet at the clubhouse at 1:15 today to attend the funeral of F. R. Boultbee. *

Woman's Exchange, 434 Washington St. Plain, fancy home-made articles for sale.

All who are interested in removing power from self-constituted bosses and lodging it in the hands of the people should make haste to sign the petition for the direct primary nomination bill to be enacted under the initiative at the June election. Copies have been placed in the County Clerk's office and with C. E. Lockwood, room 12, Breeden building, Third and Washington.

IN TOMORROW'S OREGONIAN

THE BONE OF CONTENTION BETWEEN JAPAN AND RUSSIA

A well-informed war correspondent tells in clear and simple style the causes leading up to the present strained relations between the Czar and the Mikado.

FIGURES IN A PORTLAND STORE HAVE A DANCE.

Wexford Jones tells of the strange antics of dummy models after the salespeople and the shoppers depart.

UNRECORDED INCIDENTS OF LEWIS AND CLARK JOURNEY.

Hugh Herdman, with the aid of his imagination, gives many details of Sacajawea's meeting with her lost brother.

REVISED STORY OF THE GREAT DELUGE.

"Si," a new contributor to The Sunday Oregonian, has discovered part of old Mr. Noah's diary, which throws new light on disputed points in the story that has had world-wide interest.

TWO AMERICAN PRELATES SPEAK ON LABOR AND CAPITAL

Frank G. Carpenter contributes interviews with James Cardinal Gibbons and Bishop Henry C. Potter.

FAMOUS WHITE HOUSE CHINA TO BE PUBLICLY DISPLAYED

Mrs. Roosevelt has consented to allow visitors at the Executive Mansion to see the treasures of the National China closet.

REFORM NEEDED IN THE DRILLING OF AN ARMY.

Jerome K. Jerome makes an important suggestion on a plan or politeness that must accomplish good results.

A BRIDE OF 13 FOR A KING OF 18.

Betrothal of Princess Pilar and Alphonso, ruler of Spain. The prospective bride meets the approval of her mother-in-law.

CHIMMIE FADDEN'S SON STEPS TO THE FRONT.

Napoleon, who is at school, writes two letters to his father that will amuse boys and girls of every age.

UNDEFEATED DESTROYERS OF LIFE AND LIMB.

A special correspondent presents a study of diseases and accidents that effect 9,000,000 Americans annually. Pneumonia is now our worst enemy.

AS TO TRANSFER POETRY.

John Kendrick Bangs offers valuable hints on literary use to which street-car companies can put transfer slips.

ALL THE NEWS AND THE CUSTOMARY DEPARTMENTS

CAUGHT WITH THE CAMERA AT LAST.—The members of the Oregon Camera Club and invited friends were treated to a finer exhibit than usual of lantern slides at their last regular weekly meeting Thursday evening. In addition to the usual local pictures of scenes on the Columbia, a number of fine views in Alaska and the Yellowstone Park were exhibited. The most interesting slides, however, were from snapshots in Chinatown, including the old opium-pipe mender and cobbler, who have been seen by all old residents and whom many have in vain attempted to photograph, as the instant they see a camera pointed at them they hunt cover. The pictures secured were very fine ones and were only obtained after patient waiting and watching for over a week, by which time the subjects had become accustomed to seeing the artist about, and, as he had never exhibited a camera, they did not mistrust him. Finally, he took snapshots from a camera concealed under his coat, and, passing on around the corner, made another film ready and took another snap "wing" shot. He kept this up until he had secured five pictures of the ancient Chinese curios. This club is doing a good work in advertising Oregon and Oregon scenery all over the United States, entirely at the expense of the members. There are 180 members, and each is required to furnish a dozen views of buildings, scenery, etc., in and about Portland, all of which are carefully put up and sent in the way of exchange to other camera clubs, which use them at their exhibits and then pass them on. Such slides are nearly two years making their rounds to camera clubs to every state in the Union, and have in that time been displayed to thousands of persons entirely free of cost, while members of the club have enjoyed the same use of slides from all parts of the country. The club here numbers among its members some of the best artists in the country.

JURY SERVICE AN EDUCATION.—Some of the citizens who have been serving as jurymen in the State Circuit Court for two weeks are becoming tired and imagine that their own business needs their attention, and were expressing this idea rather freely yesterday, while rejoicing that they would soon be released. A member of the legal fraternity remarked that they ought to be glad to serve as jurymen, as by so doing they would learn more about various phases of life, and many matters they were not familiar with, in four weeks of jury service, than they would in ten years in their stores. One of the jurymen remarked that they had learned many things they did not want to know and cared nothing about, and had no desire ever to care anything about, and which they would be pleased to forget. "Yet you ought to know these things," continued the lawyer, "unless you want to be one-sided and narrow-minded, and move in a rut. The things you have learned you ought all to know if you desire to be capable men, fully developed and rounded out and prepared for all the exigencies of life and duty." The jurymen, all the same, were inclined to rejoice that their schooling in the courts was about to end.

ELKS DELAY BUILDING.—Plans for a new building for the Elks were laid on the table for an indefinite time at a meeting of that lodge Thursday night. After considerable discussion it was decided that it would be inexpedient to build at present. The site where the building was to have been erected is the northeast corner of Seventh and Stark streets, the value of which has risen one-third in the last year or two. One of the reasons why the Elks have decided to wait for a time before building there is that they consider the property too valuable for a fraternity building, and might find it more economical to build on a spot in a less advantageous position. But as they have no other property, they will have to sell the Stark-street property to buy another site.

MINING CONGRESS TO OPEN HEADQUARTERS.—Secretary Irwin Mahon, of the International Mining Congress, has just issued a circular announcing that headquarters of the congress will be opened at the Portland Hotel in this city on March 21, and that all official business will be transacted from this office until after the meeting of the congress here from August 22 to 27, inclusive. The circular states that 2000 delegates are expected and that the Portland meeting will be the greatest in the history of the organization. Much that is complimentary to Portland and Oregon is contained in Colonel Mahon's leaflet, and it will serve as a valuable advertisement of the Mining Congress and Lewis and Clark Fair.

DEATH OF MRS. CAROLINE WITTENBERG.—Mrs. Caroline Wittenberg, mother of Herman Wittenberg, and one of the pioneers of 1852, died yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. H. McMonies, on Schuyler street, after an extended illness. She was born in Hungary, but came to this country at an early age. She was married at Chicago in 1847, and started across the plains for Oregon 14 years later.

RETURN OF FATHER PARRISH.—A good many people will be glad to learn that Father Parrish, of San Francisco, will be in the city for a day or two, and that he will be at St. Mark's Church on Sunday, preaching both morning and evening.

UNITARIAN CHURCH.—Dr. Cressey speaks tomorrow at 11 on "Do Thinking Men Disbelieve in Immortality?" *

HAS TAKEN A FANCY TO SCRAPPLE.—George E. Jackson, who has just returned from a visit to friends in Philadelphia, was inquiring at groceries and markets yesterday for "scrapple," but could not find any canned goods of that name, and in several places where he sought it he was told that no such article was known. He says that during his stay in Philadelphia he had for his breakfast very often slices of something which was called scrapple, served fried, and for which he had at length acquired a liking. He was told that the stuff was made in vast quantities in Philadelphia and shipped in tins all over the country, and he was astonished that it was not known here. A dealer who looked up the matter found that scrapple is a compound, made by boiling scraps of pork, hearts and feet, liver and kidneys, noses, tails and other odds and ends, with corn meal and buckwheat flour. It was invented by the early Dutch settlers of Pennsylvania as a method of utilizing the odds and ends mentioned. If it is shipped abroad in tins it is probably on ice, not as canned goods, and so has not come as far as Portland. Mr. Jackson was advised to confine himself to the old standbys of headcheese, bologna sausage, etc., in which there would be found a sufficient variety of scrape to satisfy any one, till a scrapple factory can be started here.

CARNIVAL NOT A FINANCIAL SUCCESS.—Instead of clearing $300 on the carnival last Fall it is now understood that the Multnomah Club is in the hole about $250 more than that sum. The final accounts which will be handed in at the annual meeting early in February are said to show these facts. Nothing has been given out about the matter officially as yet, but it is understood that the carnival, though over $30,000 was handled by the committee, was not a financial success. Certain expenditures were necessary that have proved of value, such as the bleachers on the east side of the field and the repairs to the grandstand.

DELIGHT THE EPICURES.—Broiler chickens weighing a pound to a pound and a half are beginning to make their appearance in the market in small bunches, to the delight of epicures, and all who can afford to indulge in such delicacies. They sell by the coop at 17½ to 20 cents a pound, live weight, and, as a dealer remarked, "they are awful fine eating." It seems like slaughter of the innocents to decapitate them, but, even if it is cruelty, it is all the same to the chickens in the end, and with the exception of an occasional wisp of snipe, they are the only delicacy obtainable suited to the palates of the sick and overfed.

MULTNOMAH CLUB WILL GIVE A SHOW.—The Multnomah Club is to give another amateur theatrical production. Just what sort of an entertainment it will be, however, lies as yet undeveloped in the mind of H. H. Herdman, who has been appointed to look into the possibilities and use his discretion. The club has given several such performances, and they have always been successful. Mr. Herdman had charge of the "Wizard of the Nile" production last year. Something will be forthcoming about this year's play in a week or two.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Services at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. The pastor, Rev. Edgar P. Hill, D. D., will preach morning and evening. In the evening Dr. Hill will speak on the subject, "Should the Lewis and Clark Fair Be Closed on Sunday?" *

GEORGE WRIGHT RELIEF CORPS will hold a whist social this evening at its headquarters, Eagles' Hall, Second and Yamhill. Everybody invited. *

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THE ELKS' BENEFIT ENTERTAINMENT

A large audience greeted those who participated in the Elks' benefit entertainment at the Marquam Grand last night, and each number of the carefully arranged programme was received with marked favor. Leo Cooper proved himself an efficient stage manager, and the entire programme was rendered smoothly and without the awkwardness which sometimes characterizes amateur performances.

The first number, a domestic sketch from the French, "On His Devoted Head," was given by Mr. Cooper and Miss Ethel Hepburn, and was pronounced by all as one of the best of the evening. Mr. Cooper and Miss Hepburn both do excellent work and show no mark of the amateur. The last number, a comedy sketch entitled "Petticoat Perfidy," was also well received, the work of Mrs. Ortman, as Julia, the French maid, being especially good. Mrs. Davies and Mrs. Clark also did well. Other sketches given were "Destiny," with Miss Ralph, Mrs. Clark, Eugene Ballis and Lyton Athey in the cast; and "Her First Lesson," in which Misses T. Kern and M. Kelly and Messrs. Wesley Spang and C. Burroughs appeared. A. Lincoln Hart and Rae Irving did their Weber and Field imitation very creditably. One of the prettiest features of the evening was a minuet in court dress given by eight pupils of Professor Beggs' dancing school. These young folks looked dainty and picturesque in their bright costumes and danced themselves into popularity, having to respond to two encores. The bass and baritone duet by Sig C. Ferrari and N. W. Doughty—a selection from the opera "Puritana," was well rendered and heartily encored. The soprano solos by Mrs. Miller Perkins and Mme. C. Ferrari were two of the popular numbers of the programme.

It was evident from the number of people in the audience that the Elks will make a neat sum from this benefit, but just how much could not be estimated.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

At the Baker.

"A Celebrated Case" at the Baker Theater is drawing to a close and this remarkable drama, illustrating the great uncertainty of the most convincing circumstantial evidence, has been attracting a great deal of attention at the Baker this week. The matinee this afternoon and tonight closes the week.

"Mickey Finn."

"Mickey Finn" will appear at Cordray's Theater, starting Sunday with matinee, and make merry with his company of clever comedians. The comedy, which was a pronounced success last year, has been greatly improved and the management promises a company of clever artists.

"Charley's Aunt."

The Baker Theater Company will appear at the Marquam Wednesday and Thursday nights, with a Thursday matinee, in "Charley's Aunt," a laugh-provoking farce comedy.

The Lilliputians.

Little Daphne Pollard and the rest of the clever children will play a return engagement at the Baker Theater next week and will open in "The Belle of New York" tomorrow afternoon.

"The Fatal Wedding."

Seats are now selling for the thrilling melodramatic success, "The Fatal Wedding," which comes to the Marquam Grand Theater next Monday and Tuesday nights, February 1 and 2.

Arcade's Vaudeville.

Comedians, singers, gun-spinners, jugglers present a bill at the Arcade that cannot be surpassed. Continuous programme from 2 to 10:30 tomorrow.

"Maloney's Wedding."

"Maloney's Wedding" will be the matinee bill at Cordray's Theater today and for the last time tonight. There is a good laugh in the show and the specialties are all good.

DEATH OF MRS. WITTENBERG.

Well-Known Pioneer Woman Dies After Long Illness.

One of Multnomah County's oldest pioneers, Mrs. Caroline Wittenberg, died yesterday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. H. McMonies, 643 Schuyler street. She had been ill many months and her end had been anticipated some time.

Mrs. Wittenberg, who is German by birth, came to America in 1857, and married David Wittenberg at Detroit, Mich., and with him she shortly went into what was then "bleeding Kansas," and settled near Fort Leavenworth on a farm. In May, of 1862, however, the attractions of the Golden West set the faces of the young couple towards Oregon and by September, after many skirmishes with the Indians, who troubled the emigrants that Summer, they were settled on a farm near Woodlawn, where they lived until 1880. After that time they moved into the city.

David Wittenberg and eight children survive the deceased wife and mother. Three of these children were born in Kansas and journeyed to Oregon behind the ox-team. One of these was Herman Wittenberg, president of the Portland Cracker Company, and chairman of the School Board. Four daughters are living in Portland: Mrs. W. H. McMonies, Mrs. R. H. McMillen, Mrs. F. C. Wasserman and Mrs. F. M. Saunders.

The funeral of Mrs. Wittenberg will take place Sunday, January 31, at 2 P. M., from the residence of W. H. McMonies and the body will be interred in Riverview Cemetery.

GRAM FOR ORGANIZER.

Federated Trades Council Recommends Him to State Federation.

The Federated Trades Council held a very lively meeting last night that lasted until the members had to run for their last car home, but all the outside world is to know of their doings is that C. H. Gram, president of the State Federation, has been recommended by it as general organizer for the Oregon Federated Trades' Union. His confirmation will not come until April 22, when the American Federation of Labor meets in Denver. There seems to have been no opposition to the recommendation, but it took a very long time to recommend him. It is possible that the council had other business to attend to.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Ex-Senator S. B. Huston, of Hillsboro, is at the Imperial.

Dr. J. E. Bingham, of Walla Walla, who has been in Portland for several days, returned to his home yesterday.

Cyrus P. Donnelly, of Boise, chairman of the Idaho Democratic Central Committee, was in Portland yesterday.

J. T. Bibb, of the Tacoma Grain Company, and Morris Thomson, of the Centennial Milling Company, of Seattle, are registered at the Portland.

Captain F. B. Turner, of Victoria, B. C., is a guest at the Imperial. Captain Turner is in command of the Alaskan steamer Yukon, and is a well-known figure in Coast marine circles.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Northwestern people registered at New York hotels today as follows:

From Portland—R. McIntosh, at the Astor; F. Peel, at the Rossmore; B. I. Cohn, at the Holland.

From Tacoma—F. L. Halce, at the Park Avenue.

From Argyle, Wash.—S. S. Wenwers, at the Grand Union.

From Spokane—E. H. Morrison, at the Hoffman; W. H. Wright, at the Ashland.

From Seattle—J. W. Miller, at the York; W. H. Ferguson and J. Anderson, at the Fifth Avenue.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Benjamin I. Cohen, president of the Portland Trust Company, called at the Eastern office of The Oregonian today. Mr. Cohen will visit Baltimore, Philadelphia and Washington before returning here.

New York Tribune, Jan. 24.

For Tuesday night a number of subscription dances, including those known as the Fortnightly and the Tuesday evening dances, are scheduled. On Wednesday Mrs. E. H. Harriman gives another dinner dance at her house in Madison avenue, for her daughter, Miss Cornelia Harriman, while on Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Harriman, Jr., celebrate the anniversary of their wedding by a dinner for 200 at Sherry's, which will be followed by a cotillion, led by Elisha Dyer, Jr. These are far from completing the list of dances set for the present week. Mrs. Twombly's ball takes place early next month.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbridge T. Gerry, with Miss Angelica Gerry and Peter Gerry, who are now at San Francisco, will return home by easy stages via Southern California and New Orleans.

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Corey Warned to Leave Town.

Harry Corey, who brought trouble into the home of E. R. Stocklen, a merchant, through the alleged infatuation of Mrs. Stocklen for him, was released by Judge Hogue yesterday upon his promise to leave town immediately. Corey was arrested near the Stocklen home with a large revolver in his pocket, and was said to have threatened to use it on the merchant. The court admonished him that it would be a bad move for him to return to town.

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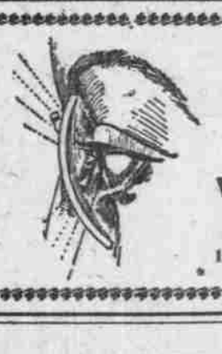

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