MERIT WILL TELL

Teachers' Faithful Service to Be Rewarded.

NEW SALARY SCALE PROPOSED

Committee Makes Report to Board of Education—Principal and Janitor of the Woodlawn School Clash.

The School Board committee on salaries, Messrs. Rigler, Warren and Wittenberg, last night at the meeting of the board, submitted its report. The report provides for a merit list of teachers who have had six years' experience, whose applications for an increase of salary are to be passed upon by a merit list commission, composed of the City Superintendent, one of the principals of the High School, and principals of the grammar schools. The report also provides for an automatic scale of wages, increases being determined by length of service in the schools. The report follows:

No teacher shall be employed at full pay in any elementary school of this district unless she has had two years' previous experience as a teacher; provided, that service in the pupil teachers' class of this city shall be considered teaching experience, and that graduation in the department of pedagogy of any college or university whose course in pedagogy is equal to that of the University of California, shall be considered the equivalent of ten months' experience in teaching.

Assistant teachers in the elementary schools of this district shall be paid an annual salary in accordance with the following schedule:

GRADE.	After 2 years' experience....	After 3 years' experience....	After 4 years' experience....	After 5 years' experience....	Merit list.....
First	$600	$650	$700	$750	$800
Second	550	600	650	700	750
Third	550	600	650	700	750
Fourth	600	650	700	750	800
Fifth	600	650	700	750	800
Sixth	600	650	700	750	800
Seventh	650	700	750	800	850
Eighth	650	700	750	800	850
Ninth	650	700	750	800	850

In case a person of less than two years' experience as a teacher is employed to assist in a crowded room or to take charge of a room containing less than 30 pupils, she shall be known as a half-pay teacher and shall receive for her services $30 per month in grades below the 5th and $35 per month in other grades.

Whenever the number of pupils in a room which is in charge of a half-pay teacher, equals or exceeds 30, then such half-pay teacher shall, until her experience equals 2 years, receive for her services $10 less per month than would be received by a teacher having two years' experience; as soon as her experience amounts to two years she shall be paid according to the foregoing schedule.

Any elementary teacher who has had six years' experience as a teacher, and who holds a life diploma granted by the City of Portland or by the State of Oregon, shall be eligible to apply to have her name placed upon the "merit list".

Such applications shall be filed with the clerk of the school district not later than March 1 of any year and when reported by him to the board of directors, shall be referred to a commission to be known as the "merit list commission".

Merit Commission to Be Organized.

Said commission shall consist of four members and shall be constituted as follows: (a) the superintendent of schools of the city of Portland shall be chairman. (b) During the month of January every year the Board of Directors of the district shall select a principal of one of the High Schools of the city to serve as a member of the commission for one year. (c) During the month of January every year the City Superintendent shall call a meeting of the principals of all elementary schools of the city in which ten or more full-pay assistants are employed. At this meeting there shall be elected from among the principals qualified to attend two members of the merit list commission, who shall serve one year. Two-thirds of the principals qualified to attend such meeting shall constitute a quorum, and a majority of the whole number qualified shall be necessary to a choice.

All applications to be placed upon the merit list shall be investigated in such a manner as the commission itself may determine, and the findings of the commission shall be reported to the board of directors not later than the first day of September following.

From the findings of the merit list commission there shall be no appeal; but an application which is rejected one year may be renewed the following year or at any time thereafter.

Members of the commission are forbidden to make promises either to teachers or their friends that they will vote favorably upon any application to be submitted to them. If it is shown to the satisfaction of the remaining members of the commission that a member has made such promises then such member shall be debarred from voting for or against such application, and such application shall be declared rejected unless it receives the support of all the remaining members of the commission.

In every elementary school of ten or more full-pay teachers one of the assistant teachers shall be designated by the Board of Directors as "first assistant". Such teacher shall receive an annual salary of $50 in excess of that provided for in the schedule.

No. of Rooms.	Salary.	Merit List.
3	$ 800	$ 900
4	850	950
5	900	1000
6	950	1050
7	1000	1100
8	1050	1150
9	1100	1200
10	1200	1300
11	1250	1350
12	1300	1400
13	1350	1450
14	1400	1500
15	1450	1550
16	1500	1600
17	1550	1650
18	1600	1700
19	1650	1750
**	1650	1800

** More than 19 rooms.

Any principal of an elementary school who has had seven years' experience as a teacher and who holds a life diploma for the City of Portland or the State of Oregon, may petition the Board of Directors of the district to be placed upon the merit list for principals. Such applications shall be considered by the board in executive session, and shall be voted upon by ballot. Four affirmative votes are necessary in order that any petition shall be granted.

The board, at the instance of its chairman, will call a special meeting some afternoon this week to take the report under consideration.

Some of the members last night suggested that certain modifications should be made in the report, but none was adopted.

The School Clerk was authorized to borrow $36,000 to cover expenses until the school department's allotment of tax receipts is received.

Upon motion of Mr. Wittenberg it was ordered that a manual training center be instituted in the Atkinson School, commencing with the next term.

Janitor and Principal Clash.

Mr. Wittenberg was appointed as a committee of one to don the flowing and immaculate robes of "Peace" and journey to the Woodlawn School and intercede with Principal E. A. Milner and Janitor Wiley G. Pillow, belligerents. It seems that during the last vacation, according to the usual custom of the Board relative to the larger schools, Janitor Pillow was granted the right of eminent domain. When school was resumed the janitor labored under the impression that he was still "monarch of all he surveyed" and proceeded to issue royal edicts accordingly. This did not meet with Principal Milner's approval and he complained to the board. Mr. Wittenberg, following the teachings of The Hague tribunal, will try arbitration.

The graduating class of the Holladay School was granted permission to use the auditorium for a party Wednesday night.

The School Clerk and Portland newspapers are asked by the board to convey to the taxpayers that a petition is necessary before the bond issue for the East Side High School may be floated.

Misses Buckley and Frances M. Bill were elected to teach in the High School next term. Superintendent Rigler explained to the board that the unusually large graduating class of the grammar school would require more High School teachers, and while he thought that two would suffice, he was not sure.

The naming and renaming of schools was the occasion for quite a good deal of discussion. The Twenty-eighth Street School was ordered called the "Buckman School," although at first it was thought that Mr. Beech's motion to call it the "Mary Woodcock School" would be carried. This was the only school named last night, but the board will take the matter up at its next meeting and provide all delinquent names.

Plans for the Sellwood, Shaver and Albina Central additions were examined by the board and bids will be asked for in the near future. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 P. M.

POLICE RESCUE FAMILY.

W. Anderson Causes Alarm by Going Home Intoxicated.

"For heaven's sake, send all the policemen you've got and be quick—a man's killing his wife and children."

This was the telephone message that reached Captain Moore at police headquarters last night at 10 o'clock. The call was from a neighbor of the family of W. Anderson, living at 87 North Sixth street. The head of the house was intoxicated, it developed, and was creating all kinds of trouble.

Hardly had the patrol wagon with the officers been dispatched to the scene when other calls poured in. Captain Moore feared a multi-murder would be committed before he could stop proceedings, but when the wagon returned it contained only Anderson, and he was still only a plain "drunk and disorderly." August 4 last he was fined $15 by Municipal Judge Hogue and promised to be good in future.

Swedish Woman Appeals to King.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—King Oscar of Sweden is to be appealed to to assist Inga Hanson to clear herself of the charge of perjury brought against her as a result of her suit for $50,000 damages against the Chicago City Railway Company.

FAKER IS CONVICTED

Footrace Promoter Sentenced to the Penitentiary.

VICTIM A PORTLAND DRUGGIST

J. C. Ryan Induced C. W. Roth to Bet on a Man Who Stubbed His Toe at Critical Time in a Spurt at Salem.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 23.—(Special.)—J. C. Ryan, charged with swindling Charles W. Roth, a Portland druggist, out of $3000 by means of a fake foot race, was today sentenced to serve three years in the Penitentiary. His attorneys immediately served notice of appeal, and a stay of execution was granted upon the depositing of $3000 bail.

Three other men were alleged to have been in league with Ryan, viz., Raymond, Morris and Charles Huston.

Roth alleges that last September he was induced by Ryan to come to Salem and make a bet for him on a foot race, it being represented that since Roth was a business man he would give standing to the transaction. Huston and Morris were to be the runners. Morris was backed by Raymond and Huston by Ryan, who was to be represented by Roth.

When Roth arrived in Salem the five went up into a room together, where the betting was to be arranged. First Ryan and Raymond each put up $2500 and then $3000 each in what purported to be greenbacks, but what P. H. D'Arcy, the Prosecuting Attorney in the case, alleges was "green goods" pure and simple. At this point Ryan sent Roth out to get his money, and when he returned with his $2000 in cash $5000 more was put up on each side.

Ryan then took the entire $21,000, or what was supposed to be that amount, in currency, put it in a grip and took it down to deposit it in a bank. Instead of taking it to a bank he took it to a saloon and deposited it there. He then returned to the room and showed a receipt, which he alleged was from the bank.

Next day the five went to the State Fair Grounds to pull off the race. The runners started, but when about half way Huston stubbed his toe and fell, injuring himself so that he could not run again that day. It was agreed, however, that the race should be run next day and that meanwhile Ryan should keep the money on deposit.

The complaint states that Ryan took the grip that evening and started for California, telegraphing to Roth that he would see him in Portland on the following Tuesday, which he did not do.

The suit charging him with larceny was then filed with the above result.

Favorites Not In It at Ascot.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 22.—Favorites failed to run to the expectations of their backers in five out of six races at Ascot today, Bronze Wing, in the last race, being the only successful one. The others went to second choices in two events, a third choice and two outsiders, both at 12 to 1. Tim Payne won the best race of the day. Weather clear; track fast. Summary:

First race, four furlongs—Wee Girl won, Silver Sue second, Placena third; time, 0:48½.

Six furlongs—Felipe Lugo won, Wm. Wright second, Delagoa third; time, 1:14¾.

One mile and a sixteenth—Ray won, Akelaz second, Varro third; time, 1:47¾.

Seven furlongs—Tim Payne won, Fossil second, Emperor of India third; time, 1:26½.

Fifth race, Slauson course—Anona won, Whitestone second, Lady Kispar third; time, 1:09½.

One mile—Bronze Wing won, Miss May Bowdish second, Great Mogul third; time, 1:41½.

VIEWS OF THE RUSSIAN CRISIS

Prominent Portland Men Talk of the Causes and Trend of the Threatened Revolution

RUSSIA and its threatened revolution were discussed throughout Portland yesterday, and the opinions expressed were as various as the natures of those expressing them. A number of men versed in general political affairs and the particular conditions existing in Russia were interviewed.

William H. Galvani, a Russian himself, prophesies the downfall of the Romanoff dynasty; Dr. Stephen S. Wise considers a revolution the natural result of an unrighteous rule; Judge Alfred F. Sears compares it to the French Revolution, and Colonel C. E. S. Wood seeks the reason for the impending trouble, and finds it in tyrannical monarchy.

Oppression Causes Revolt.

Mr. Galvani said:

"The inevitable has come; a people outraged for so many long and weary years by a despotism such as the world has never seen—not even in its darkest period—is rising in revolt. The beginning of the end has come, and rivers of human blood are about to flow as freely as in the great revolutions of the past.

"No one can, therefore, contemplate without sorrow and pain what the people of Russia, a land made desolate by the criminality and rapacity of its oligarchy, have before them. Even without a revolution from within,

'Each new morn
New widows howl, new orphans cry, new sorrows
Strike heaven on the face,'—

and with a revolution at home, in addition to what is just now going elsewhere, it is enough to make one tremble when contemplating the terrible sacrifices which the people of Russia are about to go through.

"Nevertheless, out of the blood and tears of the long-suffering people of that unhappy land will spring freedom—the only thing in this world that is really worth fighting for. It may take some time to bring about this great consummation of a struggle which has really begun with the revolt of the Decembrists in 1825, at the time of the accession of Nicholas I.

"Nay, the people may even be deceived by the cunning of the piratical band which so firmly holds the destinies of the great empire in their brutal hands. Be it even so—and yet it will not, it cannot last. From now and henceforward they will continue to rise in their might, and with renewed courage and energy, until Russia is free from its twin monster of priestcraft and statecraft, as represented by the Holstein-Gottorp and Anhalt-Zerbst dynasty, the supposed house of the Romanoffs.

"It is a great pity that Nicholas II. has made no effort during the past ten years of his reign to bring about a gradual change that would accord with the spirit of the times. But, instead, he proclaimed in an evil hour, with his own lips, to 182 deputations that have come to the Winter Palace, on January 29, 1895, to express their loyalty to him, his intention 'to protect the principle of autocracy as firmly and as unswervingly as did my never-to-be-forgotten father.'"

Unrighteous Rule of Russia.

Dr. Wise explains the revolt:

"If it be true that a revolution has broken out in Russia, then the long-expected has come to pass. Many of us had hoped that the murder of de Plehve would mark the dawn of a new era for the land of the Moujik. Mirsky might have saved his country, but the reactionaries won the day against him, and a Pyrrhic victory theirs promises to be. If the flames of revolution have broken out in Russia, who can foretell the havoc to be wrought before the fires shall have been brought under control?

"The revolution may speedily assume tragic proportions, but nothing could be more tragic than the state of the serfs of Russia, who have for centuries submitted to the iron yoke of the Romanoffs. I know not which were more terrible, the revolution that seems impending or the readiness of the Russian people to continue to be the despised and degraded subjects of an inhuman despotism.

Whatever fate may have in store for the tribe of Alexis, Plehve, Pobiedonostseff, they have done everything that men could do to foment discontent and lead men to bloody revolt. Nor is the amiable weakness of the Czar to be accounted as extenuation of the horrors of Russian misrule. Such weakness in an absolute ruler of 100,000,000 people as suffers his underlings to practice a policy of fiendish repression upon a loyal and unoffending people becomes an insufferable crime.

"Would to heaven that the Czar and his court be moved to give heed to the counsels of wisdom and moderation before it be too late. If, however, they prove heedless to a people's just demand for some measure of liberty and justice, we can but hope that a revolution may bring redress. Righteousness exalteth a nation. The unrighteousness of Russia's rule seems destined for a time to bring her low."

Compared With French Revolution.

Judge Alfred F. Sears, Jr., a student of the French Revolution, compares the present revolt to that world event:

"There is an analogy between conditions in Russia and the state of France before and after '89, but not an exact similitude.

"The Russian people are not in like case of abject misery.

"They have not as leaders a Parliament convoked by the Monarch, intrusted with a large measure of power, the recognition of which by the King stimulated its demands for greater puissance. Louis XIV would say: 'L'etat, c'est moi,' but his descendant lacked the ability to utilize his powers; timid in emergency, his treasury empty, he could not resist an aggression that any of the other Bourbons would have withstood.

"Napoleon said in August: 'Why don't they use the cannon?' But Louis would not allow French blood to be shed.

"Russia, whatever the weakness of the Czar, is a bureaucracy and ought to be strong enough to furnish the 'whiff of grape,' as Bonaparte demolished the sections.

Even had Louis desired to fight, his army was scattered, La Fayette's loyalty questionable, and at the final assault, except for the Swiss Guards, he was without means of defense, though these might have been enough.

"Russia is armed, and the government will be found able in time to stamp out resistance.

"Upon the other side the French, allured by the music of Rousseau's voice, felt an aspiration for liberty at home and for universal freedom. Today Russia alone of the civilized world is without the forms of self-government.

"If this (shall we say revolt or revolution?) should do more than mark time, it is not unreasonable to look for a movement of the Germanic powers akin to that of '32. The grounds for activity are not perhaps so potent, but a rise of the people so close to their borders must be viewed with anxiety."

Rebellion Will Be Crushed.

Colonel C. E. S. Wood reviewed the situation in Russia. He said:

"All revolutions begin in the pocket—or what is the same thing, the stomach. Assaults against personal liberty are not so widely felt as assaults against the means of living.

"All revolutions have been the resistance of a governed against a governing class. Indeed, the history of human progress is the history of the slow wresting of some vested rights from the governing classes by the governed. All revolutions begin with the intelligent middle class.

"In Russia we find these conditions: An autocratic and irresponsible governing class, an obstinate assertion of vested rights, the right to rule, to muzzle speech and thought, to make wars and debts, to tax; the vested right of a few to be idle and rich, while the many work and are poor.

"We find a great war debt, a tremendous taxation, and to those who dare to speak against the existing conditions and the vested rights, the knout, the dungeon, Siberia or the scaffold.

"A war is precipitated by the ruling clan. The masses are asked to go out and be shot and to work to pay an added debt. And they are cattle, not allowed one word in the matter. In the natural evolution of things revolution must come: First, because the oppression has reached its limit; second, because the ruling class is at a disadvantage at the moment; third: because the moment is the psychological moment, the air is full of the stir of armies; fourth, because the object lessons of constitutional government in all Europe force themselves upon the Russian people.

"The revolutionists are as usual the intelligent middle classes.

"The riots in St. Petersburg Sunday are a mere incident. But there is no mistaking the coming tempest, unless concessions toward free speech and a constitutional government are peaceably given. I do not think Russia will conclude peace with Japan because of this riot. The Russian ruling class do not see things which they have grown accustomed to. They believe absolutely and implicitly in their vested rights. The moral influence of the world and of the liberal Russians of the higher class may produce concessions. But I think the tendency of this appeal to force by the government will be as always to weaken its position and to incite revolution. This 'rebellion' will be 'crushed,' only to ripen into revolution before the present armies are merged into the people once more, unless, as before stated, concessions are voluntarily made to the people. At this time, I can only suggest a few general principles upon which the development will depend and from which the evolution or revolution will come, but just when it will come no man can say. I think it will not be a peaceable revolution."

AT THE THEATERS

What the Press Agents Say.

"DARLING OF THE GODS."

Sale of Seats Begins This Morning at the Grand Theater.

The war between Japan and Russia, which just now seems to be going all in favor of the Mikado's empire, has served to awaken acute interest in anything and everything Japanese. It is natural to suppose, therefore, that an unusual welcome awaits the arrival of Miss Blanche Bates at the Grand Theater next week, when this great artist, supported by the Belasco Company, from the Belasco Theater, New York, will present for the first time here a drama of old Japan entitled "The Darling of the Gods."

This is the first Japanese play to be produced in New York, where it ran for two seasons at the Belasco Theater. It is a story of old Japan, full of poetry, action and sentiment, and the Japanese atmosphere is not rudely dispelled by the introduction of characters, in modern dress.

The authors are Mr. David Belasco and Mr. John Luther Long, the distinguished literateur from Philadelphia, whose stories of Japanese life have graced the pages of important magazines for the last six years. The star of the organization is Miss Blanche Bates, who, in the role of the Princess Yo-San, daughter of the mighty Prince of Tosan, has given the theatrical world one of the greatest inspirations ever known. The company which will be seen here in "The Darling of the Gods" is one of peculiar excellence, including Eugene Ormonde, Albert Running, George Wessels, Thomas J. McCrane, Rankin Duvall, Edward Flammer, Westropp Saunders, E. P. Wilkes, Joseph Tuohy, Mrs. F. M. Bates, Ada Lewis, Leslie Preston, Mabel Wood, Lulu Klein, Madge West and 125 others. The sale of seats will begin this morning at the lobby of the Grand Theater.

"THE CRIME OF DUBOSQ."

James Keane and the Columbia Company Make a Remarkable Hit.

"The Crime of Dubosq," at the Columbia this week, is an extremely interesting play.

In the first place, it introduces to Portland one of Sir Henry Irving's masterpieces.

Again, the star, James Keane, whom the entire Columbia Stock Company is supporting this week, is a very engaging personality—one of the most promising actors on the American stage. His finish, his fire, his fetching intonation, his facile art, are on a very high plane.

Put him in so stirring a play as "The Crime of Dubosq," surround him, as he is surrounded this week, with scenic realism of the most striking elaborateness and perfection; give him, as he is now given, the assistance of the very best stock company in this country, and you have a very unusual combination of interesting circumstances.

The public manifested warm appreciation of this play as given at the Columbia on each of the performances thus far, and the week bids fair to see the usual crowds at this uncommonly popular playhouse.

The management is commended widely for securing exceptionally attractive plays which constitute a succession of more and more satisfactory offerings each week.

This week Mr. Keane, with "The Crime of Dubosq," a thrilling drama worthy of the great Sir Henry Irving, produced here for the first time in America; next week the home-coming return to this city of that splendid leading man, Howard Gould, who will take his permanent place as leading man of the Columbia Stock Company.

There never is a lull in the rapid pace of interest kept up at the Columbia.

The people know it, and no one should miss seeing this week's exciting bill.

Mr. Keane takes the dual role of a criminal and a devoted son, the characters bearing a fatal physical resemblance to each other. His quick changes and sudden transitions are marvelous. The costuming is beautiful. The robbery of the stagecoach is a melodramatic extreme touch.

And, after all, the play ends happily, for the innocent man is saved, and true love is rewarded.

"Nettie" Is a Big Success.

"Nettie the Newsgirl," a new and successful bidder for popularity in the melodramatic field, opened a week's engagement at the Empire Theater last Sunday and is playing to crowded houses. There will be the usual Saturday matinee.

The piece bristles with strong scenes, situations and superb climaxes. The title role is played by Miss Wanda Ludlow, a talented little New York actress of great promise, whose efforts in the past have classed her as the best portrayer of child roles in the theatrical world.

"The Rivals" for the Last Time.

Tonight at 8:15 o'clock the last performance of the Jeffersons (William and Joseph, Jr.), in the delightful comedy "The Rivals," will be given at the Marquam Grand Theater. This clever comedy is one of the gems of the American stage, and should not be overlooked.

Collier's Advance Sale Today.

This morning at 10 o'clock the advance sale of seats will open for William Collier, who comes to the Marquam Grand Theater next Thursday and Friday nights, January 26 and 27, with a special matinee Saturday, in Richard Harding Davis' farce, "The Dictator."

NEW BILLS AT THE VAUDEVILLE THEATERS

Arcade.

Fun from start to finish marks the excellent act of the two Burtons, comedy slack-wire performers. It is a common occurrence to see one man in vaudeville stand upon a slack wire, but in the case of the two Burtons, one performer stands on the wire and his assistant stands on the former's shoulders. One Burton also rides a bicycle over the wire, and the flow of repartee is smart. Bates and Ernst are two typical German comedians, one stout and the other lean, a la Weber and Fields, and they work hard to raise a laugh, and land several. One of the performers has a good baritone voice, which he uses to sing a parody on the "Torreador" song, before his hat is set on fire. The two Tschu Tschu girls are enjoyable singers, one a soprano and the other a contralto, and they open with the duet "Jolly Students." Afterward they are Japanese girls, and sing songs with Oriental coloring. Their act is worth while. The other numbers on the bill: Rose Davenport, who pleases with two songs, one being "I'll Be Your Sweetheart; Pearl Gray, singer of the illustrated ballad, "My Martha Jane"; and the Bioscope, featuring "The Great Train Robbery."

The Bijou.

The Bijou stock company opened its season yesterday under auspicious circumstances. The play selected for the first week is "The Colonel," a clever English comedy in three acts, which deals with the experiences of a preternaturally serious-minded family that takes a dashing army officer and his equally lively chum into the household.

The audiences which witnessed yesterday's performances were large and enthusiastic and it is evident that the new form of entertainment will be vastly popular.

A. R. Thorne, an experienced actor-manager, has the role of a pious fraud who is seeking to use the family to further his own interests. A. C. Winn appears successfully as the Irish officer who disturbs the serenity of things; Charles Marlon and L. C. Fredericks have congenial roles and Kate Rockwell, Jane Audrey, Grace Johnson and Mabel Harcourt have the feminine parts.

Between acts Edna Foley sings a pretty illustrated song and the bijoograph flashes moving pictures. Same bill five times a day all week.

The Lyric.

A new policy was inaugurated at the Lyric yesterday when a permanent stock company which will occupy the erstwhile vaudeville theater for the rest of the season opened its engagement.

The first vehicle which the company uses to exploit its talents is "What Happened to Smith," a farce comedy, with mistaken identity and a maze of cheerfully-told lies as its motif. The company makes each of the three acts hilariously funny and the large audiences which witnessed the performance laughed continuously at the ridiculous situations and witty lines.

Thomas Clarke appears as the dapper young husband who develops a positive genius for lying; Robert Athon is the eccentric gardner; Thomas Delaney plays the hoodwinked uncle; Willie Treat is seen as the principal cause of Smith's troubles; Ella Wilson plays Sally, the long-suffering cook; Ella McIntire is a humorous washerwoman, and Lillian Griffith is the housekeeper.

"What Happened to Smith" will be repeated every afternoon and twice each night this week. Harry Wright, a monologue man of much ability, does a specialty between acts and the vitascope shows new pictures.

Star.

Good singing and feature work mark the act of the Tourist trio, two men and a woman, their best selection being "Farewell, Molly Darling," and the bass voice in the trio is the best heard at the Star for many a day. Miss Drew's assumption of the part of Rose Melville as "Sis Hopkins, country girl," is amusing, and is the bright spot in Hanson and Drew's act. The Chamroys, grotesque athletes, are a big feature, and so are Claudius and Corbin, rapid-fire banjoists. The rest of the bill consists of Sanford and Darlington, sketch artists, the man cleverly posing as a Chinaman; Daisy Vernon, illustrated song singer, and the Projectoscope, picturing an event in the Russo-Japanese war.

Baker.

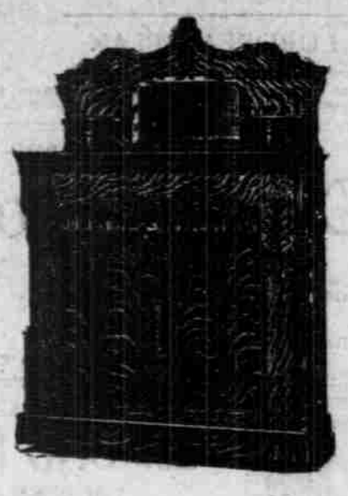
Venita, in her glittering series of serpentine dances, is a top liner, and her act is of the unusual sort. She dances while bathed in different-colored lights, and she looks for all the world as if she were an animated rainbow, with yards upon yards of silk floating around her. The two Chameroys, a woman athlete and eccentric clown, also have a good act, and the woman performer has splendid muscular development. The Acme Four, in a comedy sketch; Marie Wilson, the petite entertainer; John W. Woods, in an illustrated song; James A. Hennessey, in blackface, and the biograph, in "An Impossible Voyage," complete the bill.

Programme Only Half Completed.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 23.—A man and a woman registering as "E. S. Terry and wife, Chicago," engaged quarters at the Blatz Hotel here recently. Today Mrs. Terry's dead body was found in their room. Terry is missing. It is believed that a double suicide had been planned and that Terry lost his nerve. Mrs. Terry was apparently about 20 years of age.

Begins Test of Three-Cent Fares.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 23.—The Cleveland Electric Railway Company today inaugurated a test of 3-cent fares within a limited zone.



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