

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

THE OREGONIAN'S TELEPHONES. Counting Room... Main 677. Advertising Editor... Main 678.

AMUSEMENTS.

MARQUAN GRAND THEATRE (Marion street, between 7th and 8th) - Matinee at 2:15; last performance William Collier, in "The Dictator".

EMPIRE THEATRE (11th and Morrison streets) - Matinee at 2:15, tonight at 8:15, "Nette the Swedish".

COLUMBIA THEATRE (14th and Washington) - Matinee at 2:15, tonight at 8:15, "The Crime at Delmonico".

STAR THEATRE (Park and Washington) - Continuous vaudeville, 2:30 to 10:30 P. M.

BAKER THEATRE (Third and Yamhill) - Continuous vaudeville, 2:30 to 10:30 P. M.

LYRIC THEATRE (Third and Washington) - Continuous vaudeville, 2:30 to 10:30 P. M.

ELIJAH THEATRE (Sixth, near Adams) - Farce comedy, "The Colonel", 2:30 to 10:30 P. M.

PARK MASS MEETING - Mass meeting of the friends of parks for each quarter of the city - Lewis and Clark grounds for the northwest; "Council Crest" for the southwest; Hawthorne Park for the southeast; Irvington-Albina Park for the northeast.

NURSERY BUSINESS ACTIVE - A carload of nursery stock from three of the principal French nurseries was cleared through the Custom-House yesterday.

FIRE UNDER BRIDGE - A fire of mysterious origin in a workshop under the Morrison-street bridge at 8 o'clock last night called out the fire department.

FOR A MINING BUREAU.

Mr. Fisk Gives Reasons Why It Should Be Established.

PORTLAND, Jan. 28.-(To the Editor.)-In your special Salem correspondence of January 27 I noted an item headed "The Demand for a Mining Bureau," which quotes a member of the mining committee as saying that the miners are not asking for a mining bureau because they are not looking for positions, or have some personal ends to serve, etc. I think this is a great mistake.

I hardly agree with the assertion that the gold miners of the state have no particular interest in a bureau of mines and are not asking for it. Why should they? Gold mining is only one of the great industries of Oregon, although I may say it is the greatest. Its product is constantly adding to the permanent stock of man's possessions.

You are inviting immigration and capital to come to our state, and telling them of the profitable fields for investment, its desirable lands for residence, but you are unable to furnish them any satisfactory evidence of these great resources of wealth in which our state is so prolific, the location, accessibility or feasibility of their production.

The numerous inquiries received by the Chamber of Commerce, Board of Trade, the Lewis and Clark Commission and hundreds that I have received from all over the United States, from people desirous of settling in our state and engaging in some of these industries, all testify to the importance of some such bureau of information as you may desire. In Oregon we keep no such information for the benefit of the public.

Beautiful Waltz Song of Arditi's to Be Sung by Melba. But three days remain until the greatest musical event of the season, Melba's concert, will be given at the Armory.

SELECTS NEW OFFICERS. Federated Trades Council Holds its Semi-Annual Election. The Portland Federated Trades Council last night, at its meeting in Union Hall, Second and Stark streets, elected the following officers:

THE BABY GRAND PIANO. It is the instrument coveted by all musicians, but possessed by few on account of its price. Here is a chance to get a magnificent specimen for actual wholesale price, which brings it down to price of an upright.

WHERE TO DINE. All the delicacies of the season at the Portland Restaurant, fine private apartments for parties, 325 Wash., near 6th.

GET PILLSBURY'S FLOUR FROM YOUR grocer. Washburn & Keck, Brogs, agents. FIRST METHODIST CHURCH services interesting tomorrow.

BEATING, PACKING AND HOSE HEADQUARTERS FOR ALL KINDS OF RUBBER GOODS

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Table d'Hote \$1.00 On Sunday. TRY THIS Restaurant when in search of an exciting dinner at something less than "sky-high" prices, and if anything, edibles or service is not to your liking, we would be pleased to have you report at the cashier's desk.

DEALS WITH TARTAR Grand Jury Is Busy With Land Company. CASE WILL BE A LONG ONE. Many of the Cases to Be Investigated May Not Come Up Before March Session-Now Indictments Expected Shortly.

Heard in the Corridors. The respective merits of two blasting propositions discussed. I WAS in the committee room of the Council Chamber yesterday, just after the clouds of war had wafted away from the heavy tobacco-smoke atmosphere.

PERSONAL MENTION. Ed Schiller and wife left yesterday for an extended trip through the East, South-west and Mexico. Mr. and Mrs. E. Samuel leave home tonight on a three weeks' trip to New York.

Many Yet to Come. It now develops that many of the cases which are capable of investigation and possible indictment will not be examined until the March term of the jury. The work of the present session has been too heavy for much more to be undertaken than is now being worked upon, and for this reason all those things which can run against the statute of limitation will be allowed to lapse.

GRAND PRIZE (the highest honor) AWARDED TO ESTERBROOK'S Steel Pens AT THE St. Louis Exposition.

Dr. Lyon's PERFECT Tooth Powder Cleanses and beautifies the teeth and purifies the breath. Used by people of refinement for over a quarter of a century. Very convenient for tourists.

Argue Motion for Retrial. A motion for a retrial of the suit of Lum Dong vs. the Sanborn-Cutting Company was argued and submitted by the defendants in the United States Court

Are You Aware of the Fact that today, Monday and Tuesday will be the grand finale of our great annual sale? Positively the last opportunity this year to purchase such high-grade Clothing, Furnishings and Hats at sensational reductions. At regular prices we offer the best values on the coast.

CONFIDENTIAL CHAT No. 111. Reading is a pleasant pastime and can be freely indulged in when vision is normal, but if the letters blur and reading is followed by headaches and throbbing eyeballs you need attention from THE HOUSE THAT KNOWS HOW.

A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN Imperial Hair Regenerator. It will remedy thin, dry, brittle hair, dandruff, itching scalp, etc. Sold by Woodard, Clarke & Co.

LOWER Needles, Oil, Repairs FOR ALL MAKES AT SINGER STORE. 402 Washington, 354 Morrison Street, 640 Williams Avenue (East Side), Portland, Oregon.

STOP A MINUTE And Think About These Prices for Saturday. Boys' \$1.75 Steel Shod for \$1.35. Little Gent's \$1.50 Steel Shod for 1.10.

W. J. Fullam STILL SELLING WOMEN'S SHOES AT CUT PRICES. 283 AND 285 MORRISON ST.