

## REV. DR. WILSON THEATRE'S VICTIM

Residence Ransacked While  
He Is Conducting Even-  
ing Services.

### ROBBERS TAKE SILVERWARE

Valuable Plate and Some Jewelry  
Forms Loot — House Closely  
Searched for Money and  
Left in Disorder.

During the absence of Dr. Clarence True Wilson, pastor of the Grace Methodist Church, from his residence, 445 Taylor street, last night, burglars entered the house and stole silverware and jewelry valued at about \$150. It is thought the men entered one of the windows.

Dr. Wilson had been at the Grace Methodist Church conducting the services and did not return home until about 10 o'clock. When approaching the house he noticed that the lights in several of the rooms were turned on and he at once suspected that something was wrong as the house was dark when he left.

He unlocked the front door and entered his study to find the room in confusion, chairs overturned, the drawers pulled out from under the tables and cases, the papers and books being scattered in every direction.

### House Is Ransacked.

From there Dr. Wilson went from room to room to find that the same conditions prevailed throughout the house. In his bedroom he discovered all his extra clothing thrown on the floor, the pockets of which were turned inside out. Several trunks, which were standing in one of the rooms, were ransacked.

Dr. Wilson said last night that there was not a drawer in the house that had not been pulled from its place and the contents searched. The furniture was moved in several places by the robbers in their search for valuables, they evidently thinking that money was secreted in the house.

### PREPARE FOR THE MATCH

Sports Are Getting in Line for  
Exposition Boxing.

Lovers of the boxing game will have a chance to see some very clever ring midgets exchange jabs and counters when the boxing shows are given in connection with the Lewis and Clark Exposition.

### Interest in Boxing.

The fact that boxing has been closed in Portland for over a year has left the boxing fans with a ravenous appetite for a show. There will be more or less interest in the other events of the athletic programme, but if the management is successful in bringing a lot of clever boxers, this will be the end of the programme that will bring in the money.

Nothing has been heard of Charley Mitchell since he departed from the city of San Francisco for Vancouver, B. C. Whether he will accept John L. Sullivan's challenge depends upon what Sullivan and his manager have to offer. Since Sullivan began to humiliate Mitchell persistently, a number of newspapers through the country are beginning to hand the old fellow a terrible lampooning. Mitchell has always had a hot temper and he has added to that heat during his recent trip. He and James White, whom Mitchell brought over here to fight Britt, have conducted themselves in a manner that stamps them true sportsmen. In White, Mitchell, while he did not quite come up to the hopes and predictions that he made about the English champion, certainly brought a fighter to these shores that he might well be proud of.

Eastern fight critics started the story that White was an old man, and the story spread until it came to the ears of an old driving White who is a quiet, earnest fellow, back to the fogs of London without meeting Britt. Then on top of this, that tramp whom Battling Nelson picked up as a manager, began to circulate a silly yarn. Nolan's story about Britt trying to frame up a fight was not believed, but it did hurt the attendance at the Britt-White fight. From this time on, the East undoubtedly started the story that White was going to lay down to Britt. This last story upset the Britisher during the last two weeks of his training. It may or it may not have had anything to do with the battle he fought. In the minds of those who saw the fight, Britt was the master. The fact remains, however, that White in the second, third and twelfth rounds gave James Edward a lacing, and hit him hard and clean enough to have won from a less sturdy boxer.

The news that Britt is again to fight the Chicago Dane is grateful news. While the fight fans admit that Nelson is a tough fellow, they have grown tired of his wall of war and are praying that he

sets the whipping that he deserves when he hooks up with Britt. Nelson is another boxer who could not stand prosperity. Being a popular boxer went to his head. Notwithstanding the fact that he never was a champion, he talked louder and had more to say than either Jim Corbett or Bob Fitzsimmons did when they were the king of the padded-mitt game. Nelson's two victories over Young Corbett, a boxer with whom he would never have had a look-in in the day when the Denver pugilist was in his prime, gave the Dane the idea that he was all the choice. Then, to make a bad matter worse, he added Nolan to his string. When it came to framing up the match, the Brits would have nothing to do with Nolan, and before Nelson could get Jimmy Britt to talk fight he had to sidetrack his backtracking manager. When he did this, it did not take Britt long to come to terms with the Dane.

### AT THE THEATERS

What the Press Agents Say.

#### MR. HIDDEN'S VIOLIN RECITAL

Advance Sale of Seats Will Open  
Tomorrow at the Marquam.

The advance sale of seats for Reginald L. Hidden's violin recital, which takes place at the Marquam Grand Theater next Wednesday evening, May 17, will open tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. Edgar E. Courtenay will be the accompanist, which means that these two clever musicians will give Portland music-lovers a delightful treat.

#### "Parsifal" at the Marquam.

The advance sale of seats will open next Wednesday morning, May 17, for Alex. Hanna's talk and animated pictures of Richard Wagner's opera, "Parsifal," which will be presented next Friday and Saturday nights, May 19 and 20, with a special matinee Saturday. Mrs. Walter Reed, Portland's favorite contralto, will sing two numbers at each entertainment.

#### AT THE VAUDEVILLE THEATERS

Attractions at the Star.

Today the Star will offer an all-famous vaudeville bill, which will add the boards for the rest of the week. Zinn's famous pony ballet, of which so much has been said in other cities, will make its appearance. The ballet consists of seven beautiful girls, who dance and sing and entertain in a lively and entrancing manner. Otto Piccini's Tyrolean Quintet will warble, and Tom Mack, the minstrel comedian, who is now in vaudeville, is down on the list to tell really funny jokes and stories. The vaudeville bill is a first-class bill.

#### The Grand's New Bill.

The Grand offers another attractive bill this week in which are some of the strongest drawing cards in vaudeville. Annie Abbott, the Georgia Magnet, with a world-wide reputation, is credited with being the most wonderful being alive. Her feats of strength are simply astonishing, and she has created a sensation wherever she has appeared. The great Richards, who styles himself "the male soprano," has the most handsomely dressed act that has ever come to the Coast, and sings in a high soprano. Orrin McKnight gives a very pleasing few minutes with his ability as a ventriloquist, and has many witty remarks. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lee and their talented little daughter Madeline give a charming little sketch. The marvelous Seymours are from the best in their line, and are strictly up to the minute. The vaudeville bill is a first-class bill.

### WILL RAISE STRAWBERRIES

Marshal Organ, of St. Johns, to Re-  
tire from Political Life.

Marshal C. R. Organ, of St. Johns, announces that he will tender his resignation as Marshal of that city this evening. Marshal Organ has had a remarkable career. It was through his skill as a manager that the present city government, except the Mayor, was made possible. It was Organ who formed the Good Government League several months ago, which fought the framers of the new charter, and finally put out a ticket which carried generally to the polls.

Having made the city government, Marshal Organ will resign and proceed to the cultivation of strawberries, and from afar he will watch the workings of the Council which he was instrumental in bringing into existence. He has found more joy in pursuit than in possession in this case. Whether Marshal Organ will be allowed to remain long in retirement is doubtful.

### Says Tonopah Is Booming.

Among yesterday's arrivals at the Portland were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh H. Brown, of Tonopah, Nev. Mr. Brown is a member of the firm of Campbell, Nelson, Jackson & Brown, of San Francisco. Tonopah, he being in charge of the office in the booming mining camp. Mr. Brown declares that the stories which have been put out to the effect that the place conditions prevail at Tonopah were grossly exaggerated. The epidemic has been stamped out, and since the middle of April the place has been in the average for any town of its size. He estimates the population at 5000, and says that between January 1 and April 15 last there were but 47 deaths from all causes, the period named being the time during which the epidemic prevailed.

Since the scare has subsided he says the influx of people to the new district has resumed, and he estimates the new arrivals at from 100 to 150 per day. There has never been an epidemic, and business conditions in the camp are booming. The cost of living is high, but wages are proportionate, day laborers being paid \$4 per day. There are between 20,000 and 30,000 people in the district, including Tonopah, Goldfield, Bullfrog and adjacent camps.

### Railroad Conductor Speaks.

Jim Burwick, a railroad conductor who has a national reputation as being a man who works six months of the year, being on an excursion train in the East and the other six months engaging in work along religious lines among his associates, gave a talk on "Side Tracks" in the Marquam Theater yesterday afternoon, and the theater was about half filled. Mr. Burwick gave a chatty discourse mostly made up of personal reminiscences relating to evangelical work, and told a number of amusing stories. He has the air of a man who is thoroughly in earnest, and in his talk he used quite a number of railroad terms which found favor with the railroad men present.

Pure Food and Burnett's Vanilla are the same. Get Burnett's and take no risks.

## SPEND DAY AT FAIR

Visiting Conductors Are Guests  
of the Exposition.

### OVER TWO THOUSAND MEET

Visitors Are Served Luncheon at the  
American Inn and Amuse Them-  
selves by Inspecting the  
Centennial Grounds.

The American Inn showed what it could do with a big, hungry crowd yesterday, when commissioned by the Fair management to serve luncheon to the delegates of the Order of Railway Conductors now in town. Conductors, their wives and others on the same excursion make up a good-sized crowd, and almost 2000 of them were at the luncheon yesterday. But, though they came in droves and filled the whole capacious dining-room just opened, they found themselves served in remarkably short time.

Big hollow squares made of tables were bordered with meats and salads and fringed with eager humanity. And over next to the kitchen the gallant conductors obtained coffee and ice-cream with which to finish off the meal. Meanwhile De Caprio's Band played festively and some eight motion of what the hum and clatter of that caravansary will be during busy days at the Fair was obtained.

### Affair Was Informal.

The whole affair was very informal. A special gate was reserved for all those who wore the proper badge and guides pointed out the way to the big yellow building on the lake. There, though the crowd was large, it was lost in the giant structure in which everything but the furnishing of bedrooms is complete.

Many besides conductors went to the Fair yesterday, and in spite of the increased entrance, the crowd surged from loaded cars down to the new line of turnstiles, which busily clicked off the tickets.

### M. G. WINSTOCK RETURNS

He Successfully Starts the New  
Grand at Tacoma.

Melvin G. Winstock, personal attorney and representative of Sullivan and Considine, returned to Portland last night after an absence of one month on Puget Sound. While away from home Mr. Winstock successfully established the new Grand at Tacoma, Wash., the new \$100,000 playhouse of the Sullivan and Considine circuit.

"The Lewis and Clark Exposition is the talk of Puget Sound," said Mr. Winstock. "All the big cities of the State of Washington are deeply interested, and there is no doubt that our sister state will contribute her full share toward making the Fair a complete success."

### FORGER KNOWN TO POLICE

Man Who Passed Bogus Checks Was  
Mentally Unbalanced.

The identity of the young man who forged checks on several Portland firms, aggregating over \$200, Saturday afternoon, has been disclosed, but he has not been arrested, owing to the willingness on the part of his parents to make the losses good. His parents say the young man recently recovered from severe illness, and that they believe his mind is unbalanced as a result. His parents are very respectable, and the young man has always borne an excellent reputation.

### Light Needed at Second and Ash.

PORTLAND, Or., May 15.—(To the Editor.)—As Second street, near Ash, is being torn up, why should it not be lighted? There was an electric light up to several years ago, but it has been taken away. Many persons in that district must pass there late at night. One more light would not add much to the expense, as all property-owners there are heavy taxpayers. Hoping the proper authorities will see to this, I am one who is in the dark.

Those unhappy persons who suffer from nervousness and dyspepsia should use Carter's Little Nerve Pills, made expressly for this class.

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Are Greatly Reduced

Hundreds of our handsomest high-grade Silk Waists go on sale today at decided reductions from the regular selling prices—Taffetas, messalines, chiffons, lace and nets. Irish crochet and val. lace trimmed—Assorted colors and evening shades—All this season's waists—At the prices quoted you'll find them the best bargains in town—Big variety to select from—3d Floor

\$12.50 Waists are \$ 9.85 \$18.00 Waists are \$13.25  
\$15.00 Waists are \$10.55 \$22.50 Waists are \$15.45  
\$16.50 Waists are \$11.85 \$25.00 Waists are \$17.65

### Wonderful Kerchief Values

Women's pure linen hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 1/2-inch hems, 300 dozen of them to be sold at the ridiculously low price of 7c each; buy all you want of them. 7c  
Women's all pure linen Handkerchiefs in hemstitched and scalloped borders, suitable for dresser-scarfs, fancy aprons, stock collars, etc.; best 25c values, on sale, ea. 15c  
Women's initial hemstitched Handkerchiefs, hand-embroidered, all pure linen; the best 35c value we ever offered at this price; buy all you want at, each. 25c

### Great Sale of Portieres

If you buy the new portieres today you can save one-third on the cost—Four of our best numbers are offered for your choosing—You can't go wrong in buying any one of them

Tapestry Portieres, double-faced, fringed top and bottom, 45 inches wide by 3 yards long; all colors; very best styles; \$3.00 values, pr. \$2.15  
Tapestry Portieres, large variety of two-toned and mixed colorings, 50 inches wide, 3 yards long; Portieres we sell regularly at \$4.50 a pair; \$3.35

### \$6.75 Portieres for \$4.50 Pair

Heavy Mercerized Portieres, plain colorings with embossed figures, heavy fringe, handsome styles; 50 inches wide by 3 yards long; our best \$6.75 values, on sale, pr. \$4.30  
\$7.50 Mercerized and bordered Portieres, plain colors with embossed figures and tapestry borders; all the newest and best colorings; value extraordinary at, pair, \$6.15  
\$10.00 to \$12.50 Repts with borders; heavy Mercerized with cord or French tapestry; not over two patterns of a kind; magnificent styles; reg. \$10 to \$12.50 val., pr. \$7.85

### Crepe de Chine Evening Gowns \$28.25

Portland's Leading Cloak Store places on sale today a great special purchase of high-class Crepe de Chine Evening Gowns—Beautiful styles—The most attractive bargain we have asked you to share in this season—Made of splendid quality crepe de chine—Light blue, pink, champagne, white, black, gray and reseda—Skirt full effect with shirred flounce, trimmed around the bottom with clusters of tucks—Taffeta silk drop skirt—Waists have deep yoke of point Venise lace—Sleeves made with double shirred puff and deep cuff finished at hand with tucks—All new up-to-date gowns, well made throughout and the grandest value ever offered—One of these handsome costumes will come in very handy for wear at Exposition functions this summer—We would call them very reasonably priced regularly at \$50.00 each—There's only about 30

of them so come early—Each. \$28.25

\$18 Tailored Suits \$10.85

Special lot of 100 new Tailored Suits in Cheviots, Tweeds and Broadcloths, in blue, brown, black and checks; all made up in the very best styles; fancy braid and button-trimmed—skirts, in plaided effects, \$16.00 and \$18.00 values, at low price of... \$10.85

Women's \$28.00 and \$30.00 Tailored Suits, in blouse, Eton and jacket effects; \$22.25

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