

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

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AMUSEMENTS

THE HELIG THEATER (14th and Washington). This afternoon 2:15 o'clock, tonight 8:15 o'clock. Maxine Elliott in "Her Great Match."

WOULD MAKE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There are now so many push clubs on the East Side in different sections that it is not easy to keep track of their movements, and still harder to get harmony of action.

WANT CARS ROUTED TO HOSPITALS

A movement is on foot to ask the Portland Railway Company to route the East Ankeny and Montavilla cars crossing the Morrison bridge to the hospitals and Exposition grounds.

SAYS SOLICITOR IS SWINDLER

The police were warned late yesterday afternoon of the presence in the city of a faker who is soliciting subscriptions for a magazine, for which he charges \$2.50.

CHAMBER MAY RECONSIDER

A movement is on foot to call together the members of the Chamber of Commerce to consider the Alaskan steamship proposition, recently turned down by the trustees.

MARRIED ON HIS BIRTHDAY

Thinking that if December 7 was good enough for his birthday, it was as good as enough for his wedding, C. D. Sutherland yesterday celebrated both events at the home of his parents.

ITALIAN SOCIETY

For the purpose of developing the physical and mental capacities of its members, the officers of the Società di Mutuo Soccorso Borsaglieri yesterday filed articles of incorporation in the office of County Clerk Fields.

THE SEATTLE SPIRIT

Read today's issue of Helig's Tourist Bulletin about the failure of the proposed steamship line; also the editor's "Room For All" about the Seattle spirit.

DIES OF HEART DISEASE

Dr. E. B. Cable, died at the family home, 38 East Burnside street, yesterday afternoon of heart disease, from which she had been a sufferer for many months.

APPOINTED DEPUTY SHERIFF

She Werthimer was yesterday appointed a deputy sheriff. He has been assisting Constable Lou Wagner, of the West Side Justice Court, during the past few months.

GIVES INTERESTING READING

William Lee Greenleaf gave a reading last evening at the Third Presbyterian Church, East Side. The entertainment consisted of impromptu readings and readings of "Hamlet," "Richard III," and other selections from Shakespeare.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas cards, so those desiring to make a present of a pair of eye-glasses can do so with it and be assured that their friend will have an extra card.

HASSELLINE PROPERTY SOLD

The Hasselline property at the foot of East Oak street has just been sold to the Standard Box Factory for \$25,000. It has 20 feet water frontage. The factory wants the property for extension of its plant.

A NOTED SPEAKER

Miss Maybelle Bigart, New York City, will speak at the First Congregational Church, Sunday night. Subject: "Simon the Cross Bearer." "The World's Greatest Impediment" is Dr. House subject in the morning.

BANK OPEN SUNDAY EVENING

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WOMAN'S EXC.

12:10, lunch 1:30 to 2; business men's lunch.

AT THE THEATERS

By Arthur A. Greene.

"HER GREAT MATCH," AT THE HELIG. "Joe" Sheldon... Maxine Elliott Mrs. Sheldon... Muriel Wyford Victoria Bates... Suzanne Perry H. R. H. the grand old comedy...

MAXINE ELLIOTT has at last found a vehicle that is ideally suited to her and the consummation is even better than we have hoped. The much mooted question concerning Miss Elliott's ability to act is settled affirmatively after one has seen her in "Her Great Match"

which she presented in Portland for the first time last night. She sent a large audience away from the Helig in a happy and satisfied frame of mind. Her work was something of a revelation even to her friends of long standing and they are many here.

It was furthermore demonstrated to local satisfaction that Clyde Fitch has not gone stale. Personally I consider "Her Great Match" the best thing he has done since "The Climbers." The nubby pambiness that has been noticeable in his recent plays gives way to real human interest. He has created a set of characters who are genuine in love and hate, are selfish and generous, who have real blood in their veins.

He has given Miss Elliott a play which really requires her to act an act, who has previously won her way because of beauty and charm of manner now "makes good" as an actress. Her "Joe" Shelby is as far beyond anything she has previously given us as Nat Goodwin's comedy is ahead of George Cohan's. The nearest approach was her work in "When We Were Twenty-One" but even that is badly distanced.

Maxine Elliott "shows" even the Pike County critics and hereafter we shall hear more of her real quality and less of her beauty, although the latter has faded not one whit. The play is less epigrammatic than we are accustomed to expect from Fitch. There isn't a cynicism that one recalls an hour afterwards. It is a trifle less "smart" to be typically Fitchesque but the absence of these characteristics does no harm to the play. The dramatic situations, the pretty sentimentality and the compelling interest of the story lead the observer to believe that Fitch hasn't panned after all.

From the moment of her first entrance Miss Elliott dominates something she has never done in any of her former roles. Her humor is delicious and her pathos deeply affecting. Her sincerity impresses itself on the audience in every scene. She continues to be one of the best gowned women on the stage—and that midnight black hair of hers and her wonderful eyes—the poets may as well continue making sonnets to them. Her support this year is exceptionally good barring Cory Thomas who foibles the part of boss-brewer-who-wants-a-tittle. Mr. Thomas is a good actor, a comedian in disguise. Charles Cherry, whom I have never seen play a "lead" badly is entirely convincing as the crown prince and Maxine Cordelia, than whom there are few better grande dames is a delightful German duchess. Leon Quartermaine is a satisfactory society youth with a sense of humor, while Suzanne Perry and Gladys Morris will all continue making sonnets to them. Muriel Wyford makes a lot of a difficult and thankless part and William Sams builds up a "bit" very well indeed. If he is a rather shabbily dressed butler.

As usual with Miss Elliott's productions the gowns of the ladies are elegant and the scenery is of a high order for local theatres. The settings throughout bear the New York hallmark and inspire the proper degree of admiration. There will be a matinee today, the engagement closing with tonight's performance.

Dr. Samuel Johnson, of Seattle, was arrested at the Hotel Oregon last night by Acting Detective Kleinen, on a warrant issued out of the City Attorney's office on a complaint charging disorderly conduct. His mother-in-law, Mrs. M. A. Morris, swore to the complaint.

Dr. Johnson declares that his mother-in-law has long been intruding herself into his affairs, and says that she is bent on making trouble between himself and wife. The latter receives an income of \$300 a month. It is said, from an estate. Mrs. Morris, the mother-in-law, swears that Dr. Johnson acted in a disorderly manner.

Dr. Johnson states that he received a note from his wife, saying she was ill and wished to see him. He went to the house, where she and her mother were staying and asked for admission, but was refused by his mother-in-law. He then returned to the Hotel Oregon, where he has been since coming to Portland. Dr. Johnson gave bail and will appear before Municipal Judge Cameron this morning.

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