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AMUSEMENTS. THE HELIX THEATER (14th and Washington sts.)—Tonight at 8:15, 8:15. A comedy, "The Heir to the Throne." BAKER THEATER (34th bet. Yamhill and Taylor)—Baker Theater Company in "Tribulation" tonight at 8:15. EMPIRE THEATER (11th and Morrison)—"The Belle of Japan" tonight at 8:15. GRAND THEATER (Washington, between Park and Seventh)—Vaudeville, 2:30, 7:30 and 9 P. M. PANTHEON THEATER (Fourth and Stark)—Continued vaudeville, 7:30, 9 P. M. STAR THEATER (Park and Washington)—Allen Stock Company in "The Sultan's Daughter," 2:15 P. M., "The Sultan's Daughter," 8:15 P. M. LYRIC THEATER (10th and Alder)—The Lyric Stock Company in "Arab-Na-Pogue," 2:15 and 8:15 P. M.

COMMERCIAL CLUB DINNER—An entirely new departure was authorized at a meeting of the board of governors of the Commercial Club at its weekly meeting yesterday. Following a suggestion made by an ex-member of the board, a popular dinner was called for Friday evening, January 3, having for its object the dropping into the club for a 5 o'clock dinner, which will be a very simple one at a cost of \$1 a plate. A free discussion of a subject to be selected will be expected and many guests are expected to be present and it is believed that a great amount of latent talent will be developed if the success of the dinner is such as to warrant a continuation of the idea in the shape of a regular monthly dinner. The continued success of the regular weekly lunch meeting of the board of governors, which has been going on as a lunch and forum is unknown, presages success for the project.

PLANS FOR SELLWOOD BANK—D. M. Donagh, president of the Sellwood Board of Trade, announces that there is no doubt about the organization of the Sellwood bank. Temporary quarters have been secured for the establishment in the cigar factory building, which will be occupied by the bank in January. Work on the brick bank building, on the southeast corner of Union avenue and East Thirteenth street, will be started as soon as the plans are being prepared are completed. Present wooden structures on the ground will be moved. Peter Hume, of Brownville, who made the proposition to the people to start the bank, will arrive shortly and effect the incorporation and organization of the bank company. J. M. Niekum, Theodore Nolf and other local capitalists are taking an interest in the bank project. There seems no doubt but the \$100,000 of \$30,000 capital stock it is proposed to issue will be taken by residents.

ORATOR STEVENSON SAVES DAY—It was due to J. D. Stevens that the meeting of the Sellwood Library Association last Monday night was not a failure. The cars were not running to Sellwood because of the strike, and Dr. Eader, who was scheduled to speak, could not fill his engagement. A crowd assembled in the Baptist church to enjoy the entertainment. Mr. Stevens, who is well known as a Shakespearean student and reader, was asked to fill in the vacancy by A. N. Wills, who was presiding. Without a moment's preparation Mr. Stevens mounted the platform and for more than an hour entertained the audience. He gave readings from Shakespeare, also comic and serious selections from Greek, French and Irish prose and poetry, and held the attention of the audience to the close of the entertainment. The audience was not disappointed, and Mr. Stevens was heartily thanked for his services.

FORESTERS ELECT OFFICERS—The Modern Foresters of Sellwood have elected the following officers: Junior past chief ranger, Charles B. Lathrop; chief ranger, David S. Hester; sub-chief ranger, John Brown; treasurer, Albert B. Hemstock; financial secretary, John C. Niekum; recording secretary, Oscar Jensen; senior woodward, K. Stone; junior woodward, J. Wallander; senior beadle, H. H. Kadderly; junior beadle, Daniel Grooms; lecturer, George W. Woolley; first trustee, H. L. Beavis; second trustee, W. H. Luneford; third trustee, William Litter; physician, Dr. A. M. Webster.

BURCH WIFE FROM DAD—A decision affecting a settlement of the estate of Mary Burch, deceased, was handed down yesterday forenoon by Circuit Judge Cleland. Faith and daughter were the litigants. Robert Burch sued for an order to sell timber property in Tillamook while his 17-year-old daughter claimed that an attempt was being made to strip her and a portion of the property. The father maintained that the sale was being made under a claim for \$49 held by him against the estate. He was authorized by the court to make the sale.

BOOK ON CRATER LAKE—Will G. Steel, of Portland, is publishing a book descriptive of Crater Lake, proofs of which are out. The text is illustrated with photographs and maps, showing the routes to the lake from the railroad and describing in detail the best ways to reach the great scenic beauty of Southern Oregon. The publication contains a good deal of valuable information and will be instrumental in making the Crater Lake country better known to tourists.

FUNERAL OF MRS. CARLSON—The funeral of Mrs. Christina Carlson was held yesterday morning from Zeller-Burns' undertaking chapel and St. Mary's church, Albina, and the interment was in Greenwood cemetery. Mrs. Carlson died at her home, 523 Michigan avenue, December 23. She was 87 years old. Mrs. S. Peterson and G. A. Carlson, of Portland, are surviving children.

FUNERAL OF MRS. PARROTT—The funeral of Mrs. Ann E. Parrott, a pioneer woman who died suddenly Sunday night, will be held tomorrow afternoon from the residence, 807 Couch street, at 3 o'clock. Interment will be in Lone Fir cemetery. Apoplexy was the cause of her death, and she had been in good health until within an hour of her death.

REPAIRING ELEVATED ROADWAY—The city has started to repair the elevated roadway on Grand avenue across Stephens' Slough. It has stood about a year and the substructure has become weak through the rotting of timbers. It is expected that steps will be taken to have the old roadway replaced with a solid fill some time next year.

INQUIRIES ABOUT OREGON—Tom Richardson, manager of the Commercial Club, says he had more inquiries about the Oregon country in yesterday's mail than ever before. He predicts continued interest and inquiry by Easterners throughout the Spring.

FOOTBALL! FOOTBALL! Multnomah Seconds vs The Dallas Multnomah Field 2:30 o'clock. Christmas Day, December 25, 1906. A great game expected. Rain or shine. Admission 50 cents. FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES, Portland. Arie No. 4—Annual ball, Merrill's hall, December 25, Gentlemen 50 cents. Ladies free. Tickets at door. No bar. Gents and ladies' wardrobe. FOR modern loose-leaf systems and filing devices, call on Pacific Stationery & Printing Co., 205 2d st. Phone Main 921. WANTED—Location for plumbing shop; permanent W. Stevenson, Phone E. 4296. DR. F. B. EATON, eye, ear, nose, throat, Macleay bldg., 4th and Washington sts. WOMAN'S EXC., 123 10th, lunch 11:30 to 2; business men's lunch. B COMPANY'S dancing party New Year's Eve. Invitation only.

CARMEN ACCUSED OF ASSAULT.—Charges of assault and battery were filed in the Municipal Court yesterday against C. A. Beck, H. G. Lucas and L. L. Morgan, employees of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company, by Giuseppe Olcese, an Italian gardener. They were arrested on warrants at First and Alder streets and were booked at police headquarters. They were released on bail. Olcese charges, through John Cordano, that the three men ran a trolley-car into his wagon yesterday morning, wrecking the wagon. After doing this, he says, they assaulted him. The streetcar men say they will show that they were in no way to blame for the accident. They claim Olcese is one of many teamsters who have a habit of driving on the tracks and impeding traffic.

NEEDRO ACCUSED OF LARCENY.—King D. Brock, colored, yesterday refused to accompany Acting Detective Price to police headquarters until he displayed his star and threatened to show rather more forcible authority. King D. Brock, after considering the matter, decided to go to the station, and was booked on a charge of larceny from the person, complaint having been filed against him in the Municipal Court by Miss Hattie Logan, colored. She alleges that Brock held her hand robbed of \$12 at the time she was in a shop at 306 Flanders street. He was released on bail furnished by a friend. He entered a strong denial to the charge brought against him by the woman.

TAFT EXPECTS ACQUITTAL.—W. H. Taft, the fugitive real estate dealer who was brought back from Canada on charges of forgery, had recovered yesterday from the breakdown that attended his arrival in Portland in charge of Deputy Sheriff Leonard. He was removed yesterday afternoon from a ward at St. Vincent's Hospital to a cell in the County Jail. Taft says there was a reason for his return without extradition papers, and that where all the facts concerning his flight are made known he will stand in line for acquittal by the courts. He declines to make any statement at this time.

HOLDS POSITION ILLEGALLY.—J. E. Tanch, illegally retaining the position of School Clerk in District No. 2, according to a decision handed down by Judge Cleland yesterday forenoon. The decision was made on quo warranto proceedings instituted by P. Hill, who alleged that Tanch was not on the tax rolls of his district and accordingly a usurper of the position. Judge Cleland ruled that while Tanch's name appears as a taxpayer on the rolls for this year, yet the law requires that he shall have been a taxpayer on the year previous to holding the position of School Clerk.

LOOKING FOR FIBERUS.—The police are still investigating what is believed to have been an attempt on the part of an incendiary to burn down the residence of Mrs. Mary Smith, 43 1/2 Washington street, at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. A mysterious man who had paid his premium and been accepted by the company, met with an accident. His horse ran away and ran him into a barbed wire fence. McClellan suffered a badly lacerated leg and head to death. The agent of the Penn Mutual, learning of the death of the insured, quickly returned the policy to the company, but did not return to the widow the money the applicant deposited with the application nor return the note which was given for the remainder of the first year's premium.

THE WIDOW WILL SUE THE PENN MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO. We regard her cause as a just one. Technically, as it may turn out, the company may not be liable, but morally it seems to us, it owes the widow the amount of the policy.—Coast Review, August, 1906.

LIFE insurance agents professing to be the friend of good practices and of honest general agents and solicitors are invited to express their opinion of the conduct of the Penn Mutual and its agents as set forth in the above case. Address J. I. Clark, Oregonian.

CONDUCTOR STANLEY FINED.—A fine of \$15 was imposed upon Oscar Stanley, a conductor, yesterday morning by Judge Cameron, the charge being assault and battery upon H. Thompson, another streetcar conductor. The trouble grew out of the recent strike.

AT THE FIRST MEETING of the reorganized Ira P. Powers Furniture Company, held December 24, the following officers were elected: Ira P. Powers, president; John N. Casey, vice-president; A. C. Cook, secretary, and Josie Sullivan, treasurer.

CONVENT OF JEWISH WOMEN.—The study class will meet today at 2:30 P. M. in the Seiling-Hirsch hall. Mrs. Louis Altman will have the paper for this afternoon, the subject of which is "Solomon Ibn Gabirol."

ICE CREAM, any flavor, 1 qt., 50c; 2 qts., 75c; 3 qts., \$1; 4 qts., \$1.25; brick ice cream, \$1.50 per gal. Open until 5 P. M. Washington Cream Company.

CALENDARS—Oregon scenery, original photographs, 15c, 25c, 35c. Kleer Photo Co., Ladies' Lobby Imperial Hotel.

MORE HAPPY HOMES In Portland Christmas Day This Year Than Last.

And no one firm has contributed so much to this as the Lily Dental Company, patient dentists, Third and Couch streets. During the past few weeks they have been making the remarkable discount of one-third off the regular price, and the best Christmas announcement made today is that they have decided to continue their low prices for a short time. Every member of the Lily Dental Company is an expert of many years' experience and the work is guaranteed ten years. Examination and estimate free.

EXPOSITION RINK SKATERS The holiday season, with the closing of the schools and colleges, has made a noticeable increase in the attendance at the Exposition Rink, and jolly crowds, growing in size every day, continue to throng the rink at the three daily sessions. Book-wormy students, with visions of many pleasant skating hours of last season, skate at the Exposition Rink, glad to reveal again in the thrilling ring and of meeting and joining old friends in their pleasure.

The music of Parson's Orchestra continues as a big feature of the rink, and adds just that something which makes roller skating at the Exposition Rink the most enjoyable of all winter amusements.

WHERE TO DINE. All the delicacies of the season at the Portland Restaurant; fine private apartments for parties, 306 Wash., near 5th.

The Naevs Restaurant, 123 5th St., will serve the best Christmas turkey dinner in town for 50c; 11:30 A. M. to 8:30 P. M.

Minnetuna Inn, 276 Yamhill. Special Christmas turkey, 50c, 4 to 6 P. M. Best in city. Pies, puddings, fruits, ice cream. Special seven-course dinner, 75 cents. J. E. Kruse's Restaurant, Morrison st., between Park and W. Park.

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PECULIAR PENN MUTUAL CASE IN OREGON

A subscriber writes to us that while soliciting in Oregon he came upon a peculiar case in which the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company was interested. About four years ago Mr. Campbell, a soliciting agent for the Penn, secured the application for insurance on the life of a Mr. McClellan, of Astoria, Or. The applicant paid the agent \$10 in cash and gave a note for the balance of the first year's premium. The company accepted the application and issued a policy and sent it to the general agents at Portland.

About the time the policy arrived, Mr. McClellan, the assured (who had paid his premium and been accepted by the company), met with an accident. His horse ran away and ran him into a barbed wire fence. McClellan suffered a badly lacerated leg and head to death. The agent of the Penn Mutual, learning of the death of the insured, quickly returned the policy to the company, but did not return to the widow the money the applicant deposited with the application nor return the note which was given for the remainder of the first year's premium.

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Illustration of a man in a top hat and overcoat, part of the A.B. Steinbach & Co. advertisement.

SPECIAL SALE Winter-Weight Overcoats

Commencing Wednesday, continuing the remainder of the year, all of our men's high-grade heavyweight Overcoats will go at the following price reductions:—

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