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AMUSEMENTS.

THE HEILIG THEATER (Fourteenth and Washington streets)—Tonight, 8:15, Henry W. Savage presents the musical comedy, "Woodland." MARQUAM GRAND (Marion street, between Sixth and Seventh)—Tonight at 8:15, "Arizona." BAKER THEATER (Third, between Yamhill and Taylor)—Baker Theater Company in "The Crisis." Tonight at 8:15. EMPIRE THEATER (Third, between Morrison—"Are You Crazy?" Tonight at 8:15. GRAND THEATER (Washington, between Park and Seventh)—Vaudeville, 2:30, 7:30 and 9 P. M. PANTAGES THEATER (Fourth and Stark)—Continuous vaudeville, 2:30, 7:30 and 9 P. M. LYRIC THEATER (Seventh and Alder)—The Allen Stock Company in "The Broken Heart." Tonight at 8:15. MATINEE Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday at 2:15. STAR THEATER (Park and Washington)—The French Stock Company in "A Man of Strategy." Tonight at 8:15. MATINEE Tuesday, Saturday and Sunday at 2:15 P. M.

POSTAGE 4 CENTS. The postage on the New Year's Oregonian in the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Insular possessions is 4 cents. Foreign countries, 7 cents.

INVESTIGATE FILLING CONTRACT.—A committee from the Brooklyn Republican and Improvement Club is investigating the status of the contract to fill East Sixth street across Stephens slough. The contract was let to the Pacific Bridge Company for \$200,000 and that company is building a trestle for the temporary track for dump cars, when work was suspended on the warning of Jolan Pottsen, of the Inman-Pottsen company, that the company would not pay for the assessment, the main part of the contract being through the property of the firm. East Sixth street has been partly improved on both sides of this fill, concrete sidewalks having been laid and crushed rock being used for paving material. At the request of the property owners the club appointed a special committee to ascertain if the Pacific Bridge Company may not under its contract be required to proceed with the fill. This committee will submit report at the meeting of the club the third Thursday in January, when some action may be taken.

BOARD OF TRADE MEETING.—There will be a special meeting of the executive committee of the Board of Trade on Monday, January 6, at 4 o'clock, when several matters will be discussed. This is the first business meeting of the new executive committee since its election. Among the matters which will come before the committee are the question of the formation of the National Industrial Peace Association work, the selection of delegates to attend the meeting of the National Board of Trade to be held in Washington, D. C., January 21, and the invitation of the Asiatic Exclusion League to furnish representatives in the league. Reports of the various committees regarding the policies to be followed during the year will also be presented at the meeting. The members of the executive committee are: Chairman, Richard Childs; G. W. Allen, secretary; J. E. Starnes, J. F. Daly, J. W. Fisher, G. P. Johnson, T. N. Stopenbach, A. B. Steinbach.

MATTHEWS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE.—H. Matthias, a painter employed in painting the south side of the Proudfoot building on East Burnside and Third streets, had a leg broken and a shoulder dislocated when he fell from a swinging foot board. With three other painters he was standing on the plank, which was suspended about 35 feet above the sidewalk. Matthias was in the middle of the plank when the foot board, which held the ropes slipped, dropping the plank. The four men were precipitated to the sidewalk. Matthias received the only serious injury, falling on his head. He was taken to the hospital by Patrolman Hooley.

ASIATIC EXCLUSION LEAGUE.—Preparations for a big demonstration against the employment of Asiatic labor will be perfected at the meeting of the Asiatic Exclusion League, which will be held tonight at Drew Hall. All delegates to the new organization from the various labor unions in the city will be present to carry on the work of the organization, which was started a few weeks ago. The mass meeting planned for the near future is expected to be a big affair. The secretary John M. Geirin and John A. Jeffrey are among those who will be asked to speak.

SEPARATISTS CANNOT ACCEPT.—The Oregon Equal Suffrage Association received an invitation to send delegates to a mass meeting to be held under the auspices of the Asiatic Exclusion League at Arion Hall January 16, and to appoint three delegates to become members of the Exclusion League. The Equal Suffrage Association replied that under their declaration of principles they could not become connected with any political organization of any nature and asked to be excused from joining the Exclusion League.

INJURY IN DENVER.—Miss Minnie W. Hatfield, who is visiting Miss Myrtle Baumbaugh in Denver, was injured in a street collision, while returning home from the Broadway Theater with a party of friends. Miss Hatfield was cut on the forehead and hands by glass and bruised about the body. Miss Baumbaugh received similar injury. Miss Hatfield's injuries are not considered very serious, but she is suffering mostly from the nervous shock. Fifteen others were hurt.

PREPARE FOR POULTRY SHOW.—The double store room on the corner of Grand avenue and East Alder street, formerly occupied by W. H. Markell & Co., has been secured by the State Poultry Association, for its annual show, which will be held January 24, inclusive. The work of fitting up the room for the show was begun yesterday. Everything will be in readiness for the installation of the exhibits by next Monday and Tuesday.

MEETING AT WOODLAWN SCHOOL.—There was a meeting of the mothers at Woodlawn School today at 2:30 P. M. to complete the organization of a circle of the Home Reading Association. The present officers are: Miss Lillian Tingle will speak on "School and Home Lunches for School Children." All mothers will be cordially welcome.

TALK ON MISSIONARY WORK.—Mrs. S. C. Armistead, who recently returned from abroad, will give a talk on "Our Work in Home" at the Home Reading Association, Home and Foreign Missionary Society this afternoon at the residence of Mrs. W. H. Beharrell, 49 Park street. There are to be several other talks, the topics as well as a number of musical selections.

TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL SERVICES.—The services at Temple Beth Israel begin at 8 o'clock tonight and at 10:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. Rabbi Wise will continue his series of addresses on "Successful Saviors," the special topic being "Jesus as a Preacher of Judaism." Strangers welcome.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ELECTIONS.—The annual election of officers of the Grace Methodist Sunday School will be held tonight in the parlors of the church. The present officers are: Superintendent, Edward Drake; assistant superintendents, W. J. Gill and Mrs. M. A. Tiff; organist, Miss Hazzard; pianist, Mrs. Edward Drake. DR. ANDREW C. PANTON has returned and resumed practice, 307 Macleay bldg.

ONLY ONE MARRIAGE LICENSE.—Yesterday was the first day of the Leap Year for the issue of marriage licenses, and although they were overworked during the holiday season, the license clerks at the Courthouse took a holiday yesterday. It was evident that the bachelors had heeded Cupid's warning notice to beware of old maids for just one lone bachelor appeared to get a license. He was a negro, and he went early to avoid the rush. William Watkins, 50 years old, who lives at Vancouver, Wash., when he is at home, but has been paying attention to Lizzie Briggs, 25 years old, also colored, who lives in Portland. He did not inform Cupid Ross yesterday whether he was a dumper or popped the question, or if it just popped itself. He only wanted a license to wed, and his wish was granted.

CITY EMPLOYEES PAID IN GOLD.—All city employees were paid in gold at the City Hall yesterday. From morning until night, members of the various municipal departments stood in line, cashing their warrants. All were delighted to receive coin for their services, instead of the clearing-house certificates that formed a part of the payments last month.

ASSOCIATION PLAY PICTURES

Great Dramatic Spectacle Reproduced in Exposition Building.

Jones & Randall, managers of the Oaks and the Exposition Skating Rink, opened the latter resort last night as a theater with "The Passion Play" as the first attraction. The rink has been converted into a temporary auditorium, seating 5000 people, with an immense canvas screen at one end on which the moving pictures that tell the story of Christ's life and death are shown. The pictures themselves are under the direct management of S. S. Range, and are new, having been completed in Chicago only a month ago for this production.

Over two miles of film are run off during the 90 minutes that it takes to present the passion play. In all 22,000 pictures are flashed on the screen. These are all hand colored, a tremendous achievement in itself, when one stops to consider it.

"The Passion Play" is given at Oberammergau, at intervals of 10 years, by peasants in full costume out of doors before a crowd numbering thousands. These pictures were taken on the spot, so any one seeing "The Passion Play" as now shown in the Exposition Rink has practically all the advantages that the original traveling troupes of miles across land and sea to see it.

The play opens with Mary standing alone, a mere slip of a girl. The angel of the Lord appears to her and tells her that she is to be the mother of the Christ child. Then the scene in the manger is shown, followed in regular order by the incidents of the Saviour's life. Francis Collins, the well-known lecturer, explains the various scenes as they appear on the canvas.

Between the three acts, while the films are being changed, Mrs. Millie Perkins, who won a wide reputation as a singer at the Lewis & Clark Exposition, sings "The Holy City," "The Palms," and "In His Steps," accompanied by A. DeCaprio's full band. Of the latter organization no one in Portland need be informed. DeCaprio won the gold medal at the Lewis & Clark Exposition, and the band's music in the Portland parks each summer has made its reputation in this city.

Four performances will be given daily, including Sundays, till January 13, beginning with the following hours: 1 P. M., 2:30 P. M., 7:30 P. M. and 9 P. M. Each picture is accompanied by a musical score. "The Passion Play" is the first of a long list of theatrical attractions that Jones & Randall will bring to Portland and show in the Exposition building this winter.

"The Passion Play" is given by believing Christians in the original as a sacred duty, and is accordingly very serious, thing in connection with it is a reverent spirit, as characterizes Easter services in some great cathedral, and it is presented in the same spirit here in Portland in living pictures and with the best of music. By seeing "The Passion Play" thus and listening to the lecture by Francis Collins, you are sure to get one can learn more Biblical history in a short time than in any other way.

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THE THEATERS

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"WOODLAND" AT THE HEILIG. King Eagle—Ernest O. Fisher. Prince Eagle—Hazel Cox. Blue Jay—George W. Leathe. General Ross—Dwight Allen. Robin Redbreast—Harry Benham. Judge Owl—H. A. Barrows. Dr. Raven—James C. Burt. Miss Nightingale—Mary Quive. Lady Peacock—Elizabeth Spencer. Miss Turtle Dove—Constance Farmer. Miss Jenny Wren—Lela Smith. Lady Hawk—Florence Poirer. The Cold Bottle—Mabelle Jones. The Hot Bird—Alonso Ponce. Lieutenant Sparrow—Ethel Cook.

ALL THAT ANY WELL REGULATED ORCHESTRA HAS TO DO IS TO STRIKE UP "A Dainty Little Ingenue," and every man in the audience agrees that things are perfectly lovely at home and elsewhere, and that nothing matters much except that a real musical comedy is in town.

That is the effect "Woodland" has on the normal and otherwise staid and sensible citizen. The piece comes as near having no thread of plot at all to the newest wife of a trust magnate does of having no complications. Anyone attempting to discover a plot in "Woodland" would probably get committed for the rest of his natural life. It is the gauziest musical comedy that ever came out of Chicago, and yet that dear old Dutch orchestra leader, Gus Luders, has written so many sparkling tunes into the score that all who are not stone deaf want to two-step during the entire two hours and a half that the show lasts.

Portland demonstrated a good while ago that it was right fond of the piece, and last night at the Heilig, when it tried its airs and graces on a local audience, the first impression was deepened. "Woodland" is essentially a musical entertainment, for the wit of the lines is near-humor, and the story, as has been intimated, could not get by without a struggle that is apparent from the front of the house. It is doubtful if any current theatrical attraction has been responsible for so many installment solos on installment pianos as this one. Almost every prior entertainer in the land has one time or another attempted to rump selections from it, and while no one has ever found out what it is about, everybody likes the music.

The present company is as good as far as the women members are concerned, but it limps badly on the masculine side. The feminine contingent arrives with bells, and perhaps by its very excellence it gives the men a side-track with the signals down on them.

Harry Benham, however, proves himself several degrees above mediocrity, for he possesses a capital voice and sings the Robin Redbreast numbers mighty well. That for the men. Mary Quive, who has the feature role of Miss Nightingale, is entitled to a large part of the credit for the show's success, for she uses her really beautiful voice to great advantage and is withal so fascinating a person that she compels applause. Hazel Cox and Lela Smith, as Prince Eagle and Jenny Wren, respectively are delightful and the chorus works hard and effectively.

STABBING AT THE BARRACKS

GEORGE KONKIN SEVERELY CUT BY JAMES PROOD.

Quarrel Starts at Mess Table Because of Scarcity of Sugarbowl. Injured Man May Die.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—As a result of a row which took place in the quarters of Company 1 of the Fourteenth Infantry, this morning, Private George Konklin, of Company 1, is lying in the Post Hospital, perhaps fatally wounded, and his assailant, Private James J. Prood, is held a prisoner in the barracks guardhouse.

MURDER IN OLD MAN'S HEART Aged Logger Arrested for Stabbing Bunkmate in Face.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 2.—Sixty-four years of age and charged with murderously plunging a stilette into the face of a fellow logger, James M. Townsend was brought to Vancouver today from Van Anda, 60 miles up the coast.

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NORTH COAST WILL RESUME Construction to Begin Between Yakima and Spokane, March 1.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—It is announced on good authority that the North Coast Railway Company will resume construction operations on an extensive scale before March 1 and will go right ahead with the completion of the road between this city and Spokane.

Italian Laborer Goes Insane.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Francis Collins, an Italian, who was recently discharged from the Southern Pacific section gang at Divide, went crazy yesterday and was taken to Eugene by Constable Atkins today for examination.

OFFICERS ARE ELECTED Initiative and Referendum League Also Chooses Trustees.

At a meeting of the Initiative and Referendum League last night in Carpenters' Hall on Grand avenue, the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, H. H. Ahrens; vice-president, A. W. Parahy; treasurer, P. P. Fisher; corresponding secretary, J. Gaston; recording secretary, W. J. Little; financial officer, J. L. Ledwidge; members board of trustees, H. G. Parsons, Harry Yankwich, H. B. Saltmarsh, H. Denlinger, John A. Goldrainer, Mr. Nelson.

TWO KUBELIK CONCERTS Violin Wizard Will Appear at Heilig January 9 and 11.

If you intend engaging seats for the Kubelik concerts by mail you do so today and tomorrow in which to do so before the regular boxoffice sale opens next Monday at the theater. This world-famous artist will give his first concert next Thursday evening, January 9; the second will be given Saturday afternoon, January 11. Two entirely different programmes will be presented. Kubelik will be assisted by the celebrated young French pianiste, Mile Bertha Roy and the brilliant violinist, M. S. G. Adress letters and make checks and money orders payable to W. T. Pangle, manager Heilig Theater, including an addressed envelope to insure safe return. This will be one of the leading musical events of the season.

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