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AMUSEMENTS.

HEALING THEATRE (7th and Washington Sts.)—Tonight at 8:15 o'clock, Miss Grace George in the comedy, "Divorcement."
MELQUAM GRAND—(Morrison street, between Sixth and seventh)—Bernard Daly in "The Kerry Gow" Tonight at 8:15.
BAKER THEATRE (Theater between Yamhill and Taylor)—Baker Theater Company "Charley's Aunt" Tonight at 8:15.
EMPIRE THEATRE (Twelfth and Morrison)—"As Told in the Hills" Tonight at 8:15.
GRAND THEATRE (Washington, between Park and Seventh)—Continous vaudeville, 2:30, 7:30, 9:30.
PANTAGES THEATRE (Fourth and Stark)—Continous vaudeville, 2:30, 7:30 and 9:30.
LYRIC THEATRE (Seventh and Alder)—The Allen Stock Company in "The Lawyers" and "The Lady" Tonight at 8:15.
PEAR THEATRE (Park and Washington)—The French Stock Company in "China" and "The Lady" Tonight at 8:15.
GATHERING BRIDGE STATISTICS—The County Court has instructed the tenders on the bridges across the Willamette River to ascertain how many pedestrians cross each bridge during 24 hours. A count for one week will be made. This work is being done at the request of the committee from the United East Side Push Clubs, which is gathering statistics for use in the movement to close the draws to river craft during certain hours of the day. The count of pedestrians and vehicles for one week will show the number of persons crossing the bridges for a year. The committee also will ascertain the number of passengers handled by the streetcars on all the bridges for a year. Statistics concerning the number of river boats passing through the draws will be taken from the official record of boats passing through the draw of the railroad bridge. The object is to show the War Department what the traffic over all the bridges is compared with that up and down the river. It is hoped to secure on the Willamette River such regulations for opening and closing draws as are in force over the bridges in Chicago. A committee handling the matter is composed of W. L. Boies, M. G. Griffin, T. H. Compton, Joseph Buchler, R. B. Fisher, C. Ben Rindland, Dr. James DeFeney, A. B. Manley and J. F. Ketchum.

DEMAND FIRE PROTECTION

The University Park Board of Trade has undertaken to secure fire hydrants and fire hose for that section of the city. The special committee has taken up this matter with Chief Campbell and will insist that something be done for that neglected section of the city. There is no protection of any sort on the peninsula. The street committee reported at the meeting Monday night on the proposed improvement of Portsmouth avenue. A double line of street lights is to be cut, was shown. The improvement was endorsed. G. B. Brand and M. C. Van Tyne were appointed to represent the University Park Board of Trade with the United East Side Clubs. Owing to the increase in membership a larger room is needed. A committee composed of Messrs. J. A. Hart and Ketchum was appointed to secure a hall. It is felt that in view of the coming of the big packing plant that big things are in store for the peninsula and that the board can do effective work at this time for the improvement of streets and in securing better public service.

FUNERAL OF MRS. MARY J. GANS

The funeral of Mrs. Mary J. Gans was conducted yesterday afternoon from the family home at 415 Fremont street, by Rev. Henry E. Marcotte, of Westminster Presbyterian Church. The services were concluded at the Portland Crematorium. Mrs. Gans was 72 years of age. She had been a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church. The following children survive her: Mrs. C. E. Willis, Mrs. G. W. Martin, L. B. Cusick, Miss Lillian F. Gans, Miss E. Gans and Henry G. Gans. Mrs. Gans had been ill for five years, her illness reaching a critical stage three weeks ago.

G. A. R. TO CELEBRATE

The annual observance of Washington and Lincoln's birthdays will be celebrated Friday evening, February 14, by George Wright Post No. 1 Grand Army of the Republic, and George Wright Women's Relief Corps, at G. A. R. Hall, Second and Morrison streets. The exercises will consist of a patriotic address on the lives of the illustrious Presidents by Colonel S. R. Harrington. The veteran male quartet will give a number of appropriate selections. The public is cordially invited.

CLAY CLEMENT VISITS CITY

Clay Clement, the distinguished actor and dramatist, author of "The New Dominion," in which he has starred successfully for a number of seasons, is in the city, accompanied by Mrs. Clement. He is assembling a New York company here for a starting tour in "The New Dominion," which he will inaugurate at the Marquam during the week of February 23. Mr. Clement has a number of personal friends in Portland and is a favorite with local theatergoers.

DEATH OF MRS. MARGARET COOPER

Mrs. Margaret Cooper, wife of Charles Cooper, of Coopy & Sons, died yesterday morning at her home, 161 East Thirteenth street, near East Burnside, of pneumonia. She was 61 one week. Mrs. Cooper is survived by her husband, a step-son, J. R. Cooper, a sister, Josephine Moriarty, who lives in Chicago, and Joseph Reiser, her half-brother, who is Mayor of Napoleon, Ohio. She had lived for many years in Portland.

MOUNT TABOR ASKS FIRE STATION

Mount Tabor asks that a fire house be built on Tabor Heights and supplied with an engine of some sort to protect the surrounding territory. It is urged that from this elevation a fire engine could cover the entire surrounding territory. Center Addition and Mount Tabor Push Clubs have joint committees out urging that this station be established.

PROMISES TO PAY LICENSE

Promises to Pay License—J. Couch Flinders was tried in the Municipal Court yesterday forenoon for failure to pay license on certain wharves operated under his control. The charge was that he was conducting a wharfing business without a license. Upon his promise to secure the requisite license at once the case was continued.

W. B. CHASE IMPROVING

W. B. Chase, City Engineer of Portland, who was stricken with paralysis a few days ago at McMinnville, is reported to be improving. There is a blood-clot in the brain which, if absorbed, will result in his complete recovery.

J. T. WILSON WILL SELL

J. T. Wilson will sell at public auction all the stock and farm implements on the John Conley farm, Friday at 11 A. M. Sale reached by Estacada cars, 3 1/2 mile east of 12-mile house, on Base L. O. Road.

TRUSTEES MEET

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society was held yesterday afternoon in the chambers of Judge Gilbert, when there were present Judge Williams, president; F. E. Beach, secretary; Dr. T. L. Elliot, Robert S. Farrell, Mrs. Levi White, Miss Helen P. Spaulding, Mrs. C. R. Templeton, Mrs. H. H. Northrup and Superintendent Gardner. The report of the superintendent was read, showing that there were on hand January 1, 1908, at the Receiving Home, 62 children, and received during January, 40, making a total of 102; disposed of during the month of January, 48, which left on hand February 1, 1908, 54. Bills for the month of January, amounting to \$723.97, having been duly audited by the executive committee, were ordered paid. The superintendent reported that considering the large number of children on hand there was not much sickness for this time of the year, except a few cases of sore throats and colds. The president brought before the board some of the children's parents applied to regain the custody of their children. These cases were fully considered and the board found that it was impossible to take any further action at this time. The Receiving Home is very much crowded and it is hoped that the society will see its way clear in a short time to build an addition to the present structure.

DEATH OF A NONOGENARIAN

Aunt of H. L. Pittock Passes Away at the Ripe Age of 92. Mrs. H. L. Pittock, manager of The Oregonian, received intelligence of the death at Pittsburgh yesterday, at the advanced age of 92, of her aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth Cox. She was the sister of his father and the only surviving member of his father's family. Up to last week Mrs. Cox was in the best of health, notwithstanding her years. She retained her mental faculties unimpaired, as was evidenced by a letter written with her own hand received by Mr. Pittock only a few days ago. It was radiant with good cheer.

FAIRVIEW TO INCORPORATE

Fairview to Incorporate—Fairview will incorporate, if the wishes of the Fairview Improvement Club are carried out. At the meeting of the club Monday night, Nanette D. Gray, president, the committee on incorporation reported favorably, and the report was adopted. A petition to the County Court has been signed with the required number of signatures and Mr. Davis was instructed to present it to the County Court. A request also will be made that the petition be acted on at once. The name of the club will be used, and not Fairview. There is a town in Coos Bay County named Fairview, and mail frequently is sent there instead of Fairview in Multnomah County. The Fairview postoffice is now called Fairview.

EXHIBITION AT ART MUSEUM

Exhibition at Art Museum—A loan exhibition of more than 100 fine water color paintings is now hung in the Museum of Art and will be opened to the public this afternoon. A large number of the pictures are by well-known Dutch artists, such as Israels, Blommers, Meesdag, Maris and Welschbruch. The Scottish landscape artists are also represented, notably, Nisbet and Macleod, and works of other schools, including some good American examples, are shown. The exhibition, which is well worth more than one visit, will last but three weeks. Open daily from 9 to 5. Free on Thursday and Saturday afternoons.

DEATH OF FORMER PORTLANDER

William Steinbeler, of Grangeville, Idaho, died last Monday at Spokane, of pneumonia, and will be buried today from the residence of his sister, Mrs. Aaron Frederich, 714 Lovejoy street. Mr. Steinbeler was formerly in business here, but some years ago went to Grangeville, where he became manager of one of the largest mercantile houses in that state. He was 46 years old and had many friends in Portland. He leaves a wife but no children, and two sisters, Mrs. Frederich and Mrs. S. J. Friedman, who resides at The Hill.

W. T. CUSTER'S FUNERAL

W. T. Custer's funeral, the funeral of W. T. Custer, a well-known Portland commercial traveler, who died at Baker City, of pneumonia, was held from Holman's undertaking establishment yesterday afternoon at 2 P. M. in Rose City Cemetery and the funeral was conducted by the Travelers' Protective Association, of which deceased was a popular member. Mr. Custer was traveling for a San Francisco firm when he fell ill and leave his wife here and his mother and two sisters in Chicago, where he was born, 26 years ago.

CHORUS MEMBERS REHEARSE

Chorus Members Rehearse—More singers than have previously reported this season were present at last night's meeting at Eilers Hall, of the chorus rehearsing for the approaching concert in conjunction with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, of which the most of the time was spent singing from Cowen's "Sky-lark." There is still room for several contraltos, tenors and basses. William H. Eyster is only acting as director of this chorus, until the arrival late in March, of the conductor of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

WORLD IMPROVE RIVER ROAD

World Improve River Road—A petition is being circulated on the Peninsula asking the county to improve the River Road, that winds along the bluff east of the terminal works, to a connection with the Willamette Boulevard. It is set forth in the petition that this road is badly out of repair. It has been used in the past generally by vehicles going to St. John, and other points on the Peninsula, and it is urged in the petition that the road be graded and covered with cement gravel.

W. C. T. U. MEETING

W. C. T. U. Meeting—After the opening devotional exercises of Central W. C. T. U. yesterday afternoon, conducted by Miss S. L. Lyman, and the consideration of some business, Mrs. O. P. Jamison gave an interesting talk on the subject, "How to Win," explaining the need of love and patience in winning people to the work. Others also spoke along this line. Greatly to the regret of all, Mrs. H. E. Roper resigned as vice-president. Mrs. Ida Barkley was elected to fill the vacancy.

DEATH OF MRS. CHARLES COOPER

Mrs. Margaret Cooper, wife of Charles Cooper, military tailor, is dead at her home, 161 East Thirteenth street. Death occurred Thursday night following a brief illness of pneumonia. Arrangements for the funeral will not be made until word is received from Mrs. Cooper's half brother, Joseph Reiser, Mayor of Napoleon, O., and her sister, Josephine Moriarty, of Chicago.

SCOTTISH RITE AT HOME

Scottish Rite at Home—The fourth of the series of Scottish Rite at Homes will be given tomorrow evening. The entertainment will consist of music, dancing and cards. Light refreshments will be served during the evening. The committee in charge is C. C. Newcaste, E. B. Colwell, V. A. Avery, G. W. Stapleton, R. Martin, J. J. G. Mack, A. M. Wilson, W. D. Hazen, R. A. Miller, J. F. O'Donnell.

HOLD SPECIAL SERVICES

Hold Special Services—A series of special meetings is being held in the Evangelical Church, corner of Clay and Tenth streets, at 7:30 P. M. every night, conducted by Rev. H. E. Erdmeyer, of Menominee Falls, Mich. Rev. Thomas Schuy is the pastor. Interest in the meetings is growing and the attendance is increasing.

EAST SIDE REALTY DEAL

East Side Realty Deal—Mail & Von North have sold for K. Beck to Otto W. Nelson, the southeast corner of East Ninth and East Clay streets. Mr. Nelson will commence the immediate construction of five cottages on this property.

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