### CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

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### AMUSEMENTS.

HEILIG THEATER—(16th and Washington)

The American religious drama, "Ben
Hur." Tonight at S o'clock sharp. (NGALOW THEATER-(Twelfin and Mor-rison)—Baker Stock Company in "A Royal Family." Tonight at 8:13.

BAKER THEATER—(Third, near Yambill)—
The Flower of the Ranch." Tenight at

DRPHEUM THEATER—(Morrison, between Sixth and Seventh)—Advanced vaudeville. Mathes at 2:15; tenight at 8:16. GRAND THEATER—(Washington, between Seventh and Park)—Vaudeville de luxe, 2:30, 7:30 and 9 F. M. PANTAGES THEATER-(Fourth and Stark)
-Continuous vaudeville, 2:30, 7:30 and 0:30
P. M.

STAR THEATER (Washington and Park)-"in a Woman's Power." Tonight at 8:18

BEN CAMPRELL'S NARROW ESCAPE --Word was brought to Portland by General Manager J. P. O'Brien, of the Harriman lines, of the narrow escape re-recently of the family of Ben Campbell, vice-president of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, from fire. Mr. Campbell was formerly traffic man-ager of the O. R. & N. and later ce-curied a high position in the traffic ager of the O. R. & N. and later oc-cupied a high position in the traffic offices of the Hill lines. The Campbells' home, at New Haven, Conn., was burned by a fire starting in the residence of Samuel Higgins, general manager of the New York, New Haven & Hartford, which stands nearby. Two were killed in the burning of the Higgins home but the Campbells escaped with their lives, although two young sons of Mr. Campalthough two young sons of Mr. Camp-bell were III with pneumonia at the time and had to be carried to a nearby house. They are reported, however, as being rapidly recovering from the disease.

HARDWARE MEN MEET TODAY.-Hard-HARDWARE MEN MEET TODAY.—Hard-ware and implement dealers of the state will meet this morning in the auditorium of the Commercial Club, at the annual convention. The convention will continue throughout today and tomorrow. It will end with an executive session Wednesday afternoon, when there will be the report of committees, the election of officers and the selection of the place of bolding the next annual meeting. Tonight there will be a banquet for the hardware men at the Portland Hotel. the hardware men at the Portland Hotel. Officers of the association who are in charge of the convention are: President, H. J. Altnow, of Woodburg; vice-president, H. C. Garnett, of Medford; secretary, W. P. Balderston, of Portland; treasurer, Frank Dayton, of Portland.

BUTTER DEALER ARRESTED.—State Food and Dairy Commissioner Bailey has caused the arrest of John Henry, propristor of the Poople's Market, on the charge of selling short weight butter. The warrant was issued out of the Justice Court and action was taken by Mr. Bailey only after warning bienry, he Mr. Bailey only after warning blenry, he says, that he must stop selling short weight butter. Mr. Bailey says the warning did no good and now he proposes to see that the merchant is punished for violating the law. The butter in question is manufactured by the Norway Creamery, Norway, Coos County, and is said by Mr. Bailey to be fully one and one-half ounces short to the roll. Henry is out on E6 bail.

INQUIRING ABOUT OREGON.-Large numbers of packages of literature in answer to inquiries received from people all over the country are being sent out by the Chamber of Commerce. Colonel A. W. Miller, curator of the permanent exhibit maintained by the Chamber of Commerce and the literature of the literature. has sent out 1300 packages of this litera-ture during the past three months by re-quest of people anxious to gain information about this state. This is in addition to the very large amounts of adver-ising matter sent out by Secretary Gilt-ner's office throughout the year.

MANUFACTUREDS TO MEET.-The annual meeting of the Manufacturers' Association will be held Wednesday night, 'at Alisky Hall. Third and Morrison streets, when reports of the officers of the orsanization, showing the work of the past year, will be read. There will also be adesses by J. N. Teal, W. Wynn Johnson, C. C. Chapman and others and the meeting will be followed by a buffet lunch and smoker. All manufacturers of the whether members of the amociation or not, are invited to attend.

Soliciton is imposton.—It has come to the notice of the officers of Mount Olive. Saptist Church that a person professing Baptist Church that a person professing to have authority from them has been soliciting books, and using cards and papers which do not, however, bear the church seal. Rev. B. B. B. Johnson, paster of the church, said yesterday that such a person had not been authorized to solicit the papers in question and has issued a letter to members of his congregation to refuse to have dealings with this solicitor.

CAR STRIEBS OMNIBUS. — Joe Mills, "runner" for the Grand Central Hotel, is in Good Samaritan Hospital as the result a collision resterday morning, be-seen car No. 24, of the "S" line, and a us of the Hotel Company. The accident curred at Tenth and Glisan streets, and Mills, who was driving the bus, sustained a severe scalp wound. The horse was injured to such an extent that it was Mills injuries are not regarded as

DONATION FOR PARKS MADE.-James P. Moffett and Hiram Terwilliger have offered to the city a strip of land ten feet wide and about one mile long, on the heights, leading down to Terwilliger Park, in South Portland. The matter will be investigated by Parkkeeper Mische This is the first donation for houlevards and playgrounds yet

Work RESUMED ON DEPOT.—The con-iractor resumed work yesterday morn-ing on the foundation for the passengor depot for the Southern Pacific Com-pany, East First and East Morrison streets. Piles have been delivered, and will be driven down through the fill made on the ground. Within about three menths the building will be completed. CONFERENCE OVER LIGHTING.-Mayor Lane and B. S. Josselyn, president of the Portland Rallway, Light & Power Com-pany, were in conference on the lighting situation at the City Hall yesterday morning, but neither would make any tatement as to what was said during

Mission Board to Miss.—The regular menthly meeting of the Woman's North Pacific Presbyterian Board of Missions will be held in the First Prosbyterian Church, corner of Twelfth and Alder streets, this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock women are cordially invited to at-

GEORGE MURRAY DEAD .-- Many Portland friends of George Murray, of Kansas City, will regret to learn of his death, which occurred yesterday at Colorado Springs. Colo. He was well known in

DEATH OF JOSIAH PLATTS. — Josiah Flatts died at his home, 1655 Williams avenue, Saturday, at the age of 67. The funeral will be held today at 10 A. M., and the interment will be Oswego Ceme

THE ORNGONIAN BUILDING has a few choice offices for rent. Will arrange rooms to suit permanent tenants. Prospective tenants are referred to room 30 for inspection of office.

Bors Accused of Drunkenness.—John Graham and Albert Lerog are held at the County Juli on charges of drunkenness, and being minors will appear before the Juvenile Court.

DR. Balts and his sister, Miss Barr, of Vienna, have left for the Cataline Islands. They will return the middle of

GERMAN AID SOCIETY. - The annual meeting and election of officers of the General German Aid Society of Portland, was held January 14, at 8 P. M. After reading of the financial reports of the secretary and treasurer it was voted to donate to the relief committee for the earthquake sufferers in Italy \$50; also to the Ladies' Relief Society of the Chil-dren's Home \$50. The society spent dren's Home \$50. The society spent during last year, for charitable purposes, to needy Germans, sick and out of employment the sum of \$224.00, and since its existence \$25,958.00. The following officers were elected: President, John Reisacher; vice-president, Charles J. Schnabel; secretary, H. C. Bohiman; treasurer, H. Claussenius; trustee (for three years), Albin Jubitz; school directors, John Griebel and William Isensee:

tors, John Griebel and William Isensee, society physicians, Dr. O. S. Binswanger, Dr. F. H. Dammasch; society agent H. TRAVELING SALESMAN DEAD .- A telegram received Saturday by F. M. Seller conveyed news of the death of David Brodeck, at the Denver Tuberculosis Sanatorium. "Dave" Brodeck, as he was known by a host of traveling men in the Northwest, was a salesman for M. Seller & Co., and during the Winter of 1998, contracted tuberculosis while on a trip to the interior of Eastern Opegon. After several months spent at the Open-Air Sanatorium, at Milwaukle, he was so much improved as to undertake a second much improved as to undertake a spe-cial line of work relating to amusements at The Oaks during the Summer of 1907. Since then he had been making a fight against the discuss, having left for Denver as a last resort only two months ago. The Elks will make arrangements for the funeral, he having been a member of Walla Walla Lodge. He leaves a

or Walla Walla Lodge. He leaves a mether in Butte, Mogi.

Dies Sundenly in New York.—Many friends of Dr. Henry L. Goodman will be pained to bear of his sudden death in New York City, January II, after an illness of only two or three days. Dr. Goodman was an Oregon boy born in Portland and about 35 years of age. He had won distinction in his profusion at Portland and about 35 years of age. He had won distinction in his profession at an early age. Soon after graduation from Eastern colleges he was appointed City Physician of St. Louis, where he resided for several years, later on building up a remarkable practice in New York City. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Hornstein, of New York, and a sister, Mrs. Hams, of Weiser, Idaho.

TRUSTERS MEET TODAT.—Trustees of the Chamber of Commerce, elected at the annual meeting last week, will hold their first meeting this morning in the rooms of the organization at 11 o'clock. In adof the organization at 11 o clock. In addition to a number of important matters to be considered that have been left over for them to decide, the election of an assistant to Secretary Edmond C. Giltner will come up. The trustees elect this official of the Chamber each year, at their first meeting after election. There is no question but that M. Mosessohn, assistant secretary for the past few years, will be re-elected to that position. Social of Class Toniont.—There will be an open meeting of Mrs. Mossman's class in sociology, at the Y. W. C. A., Seventh and Taylor streets, at 8:16 o'clock tonight. Miss Lucy Hopkins, stulent secretary of the Northwest Associations, will give a talk on the "Social Teachings of Christ." Miss Harriet Thayer will review the sixth chapter of "Strong's Challenge of the City." The public is cordially invited. AMERICAN BANK & TRUST Co.-Moved to corner Sixth and Oak.

### A GREAT SHOWING.

A Year's Record Which Is Entitled to Much Consideration.

Elsewhere in today's Oregonian will be found the published annual statement of January 1, 1909, of the Home Insurance Company of New York, the leading exclusive fire insurance company of the world.

The Home Insurance Company is justly entitled to the proud distinction it holds, on account of its magnificent record in all the great conflagrations of this country. It was the first to pro-claim to the distressed people of San Francisco its intention to pay all valid claims dollar for dollar, regardless of what action others might take.

The Home Insurance Company, withstanding its magnificent policy-holders' surplus of over \$13,500,000, has established a conflagration fund in which it has placed \$800,000. It is the first company to set aside a conflagration re-serve, which is an additional surplus. This company's assets have reached the This company's assets have reached the enormous figures of \$24,856,499.05, set-ting a new mark for fire companies, ren-dering the indemnity it sells as "safe as the rocks of Gibraltar."

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It is managed in its Pacific Northwest department by Mr. John D. Coleman, general agent, headquarters \$11½ Stark street, this city. Its local representatives are D. W. Hoelbing & Co., \$11½ Stark street; Mr. Harvey O'Bryan, McKay building, and Portland Trust Company of Oregon, in its own building, Third and Oak streets.

Oak streets.

The public's attention is called in particular to the company's list of assets, wherein are fishized all its securlties, comprising the best stocks and bonds of the Nation, exhibiting the con-servativeness of the Home's management in safeguarding the company's

Mr. Elbridge G. Snow, president of the Home, has many warm personal friends in this city who will be pleased to learn of the wonderful success of his company.

### WHERE TO DINE.

All the delicacies of the season at the

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Question as to Meaning of District Assessment Law.

WHO PAYS FOR MAINS?

Extension of Water System Causes Complications Because of New Plan of Taxing Benefited Property for Improvement.

charging the costs to "benefited property" abutting the improvement. A point of law as to what constitutes "benefited" to construe this. The first remonstrance to be filed against such an assessment is now in the bands of City Auditor Barbur. It is signed by Attorney R. R. Duniway, and is against the six-inch main ordered by the City Council to be Isid in East Thirteenth street, between Thompson and

Halsey streets.
Attorney Duniway bases his remonstrance on the fact that the main is to be paid for by the "benefited property," the property abutting the improvement, extending back 100 feet each way. He declares that such a method of assessment for the water main is absurd; that "any one can see that property for a far great-er distance about is benefited," and de-mands a larger district to cover the pay-

The water main is but one of many which have been ordered installed by the which have been ordered installed by the City Council under the law, passed by the people last June, the provisions of which direct the City Auditor to assess costs to the "benefited property." It has already been found that this is a very different such as the control of the city of the control of the city of the ci ficult method, it being extremely indefinite as to what is the property benefited. City Attorney Kavanaugh has realized from the first that this system is not sat-isfactory, and he is endeavoring to have some amendments made at the coming

Mr. Kavanaugh says that it is a ques tion that can scarcely be determined, as to just what property is benefited by the laying of a water main. It may be argued, he says, that the entire community may be, and probably is, benefited by such an extension to the city system, and the indefinite plan now in vogue seems to be in need of amendment, he says. The Charter Board has the matter under consideration, the committee on the department of water supply being now engaged in an effort to remedy the defects, and Mr. Kavanaugh having been added to the

The law as it was voted by the people however, is in effect and must be fol-lowed until another vote can be taken t seems, is likely to result meantime,

### "In a Woman's Power" at the Star

66 N a Woman's Power," a mele-drama in four acts, is the bill this week at the Star. Patrons of this sort of entertainment will find the play quite to their liking, as it contains several strong scenes and a generous share of comedy. Dr. Ellwood Hardicraft, a respected physician of Washington is implicated with a gang of counterfeiters, one of whom is a woman, Dr. Hardicraft has just been woman, Dr. Hardicraft has just been married and is anxious to give up the criminal career of which nothing is known. Owing to the hold the woman counterfeiter has upon him he is frequently in grave danger of exposure. He is induced by her to visit Baltimore where the counterfeiters are at work. The place is raided by the secret service. Hardicraft makes his escape and returns to his family, presumably reformed.

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Pat Garin, as Hon. Tom Fenwick has an excellent opportunity to show his powers as an impersonator. As Dickey, a counterfeiter, in a later act, his work is equally good.

Dorothy Turner appeared as Laura Parent, an adventuress, and spoke with.

what was supposed to be a French ac-cent. Dorothy Kenyon was interesting as Bernice Hardicraft, the young wife. "In a Woman's Power" will run the remainder of the week and should draw good audiences.

Tribute to Mrs. Julia C. Beebe.

PORTLAND, Jan. 18.—(To the Editor.)—
On the 15th inst. there died in Clackamas County, near Oregon City, Mrs. Julia Charlette Beebe, wife of Captain Eri Beebe, aged 88 years, 5 months and 18 days. The funeral was held last Tuesday, the whole community of grieving friends attending Mrs. Beebe, nee Drake, was born at Morrisville, Madison County, New York, July 26, 1820, and on January 21, 1844, was married to Captain Beebe, who now survives her, but one child, Hon. W. S. Beebe, remaining, and a sister, Mrs. Lydia A. Youngs.
Captain Beebe is inconsolable over his great hereavement, they having lived to

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The departed lady was a consistent member of the Presbyterian Church all her iffe and a devoted worker in every case of church activity for the 33 years she resided in Fortland and vicinity.

ALICE IS TOTAL LOSS

No Chance of Saving Any Part of Ship or Cargo.

There appears to be trouble ahead for the city in collecting assessments for water mains under the present system of charging the costs to "benefited propercept of what may be washed ashore as wreckage. Edward M. Cherry, Lloyds' agent, and French Vice-Consul property is involved, and it seems at this Labbe visited the scene on Sunday. The time that the courts will be called upon Consul decided to have the captain and crew remain in comfortable quar-lers there until arrangements are per-fected through the French Consul-General at San Francisco and a court of in

quiry is ordered.

Mr. Cherry has requested Captain Veysey, Lloyds' surveyor, to make a survey of the vessel officially, and if his report suggests that she cannot be saved, bids will be asked, probably for the sale of the ship, as well as her cargo.

### SHANAHAN APOLOGIZES.

Not Enough Salespeople to Handle the Trade.

We were unable to wait on all of the people yesterday, who came to take ad-vantage of the low prices at our sale of goods damaged by water during the recent thaw. We have engaged extra help, and today and while the sale continues we will be able to suply your needs without delay. Trusting that those who were disappointed yesterday will secept our apology and return today or during the week, I am respectfully yours, I. SHANAHAN.\*\*

### MORE COAL.

Entire Lot at Regular Prices. The Breakwater arrived today with 400 tons of Beaver Hill coal for J. J. Crofut & Co. The demand for this coal has been so great that 200 tons have already been sold. Send your order in early. Office, at dock, foot of Davis street. Phone Main 5625 or A 1576. \*\*

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The Assets of the Company Are as Follows:

Cash in Banks and Trust Companies.

Cash in hands of Agents and in course of collection

Real Estate

Loans on Bonds and Mortgages. Market Value

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Valley Rallroad Co. of New Jersey
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Rallway, Preferred

Union Pacific R. R. Preferred

Delaware & Hudson Co.

Illinois Central Rallroad Co.

Cleveland & Pitts. R. R. Co. 4 per cent Betterment Stock.

Northern Securities Co. Stubs.

Northern Pacific R. R. Co. Subscription Receipts, Full Paid.

Chicago, Mil. & St. P. Prefd. Stock Inst. Cifs., 85 per cent Pald.

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