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AMUSEMENTS

ORPHEUM THEATER (Morrison, between 7th and 7th 1/2)—Vaudeville, 2:15 and 8:15 P. M.
PAKES THEATER (Third and Yamhill)—A Girl at the Wheel. This afternoon at 2:15 and tonight at 8:15.
GRAND THEATER (Washington, between 7th and Park)—Vaudeville, 2:30, 7:30 and 9 P. M.
PANTAGES THEATER (Fourth and Stark)—Vaudeville, 7:30 and 9 P. M.
LYRIC THEATER (Seventh and Alder)—A Bachelor's Honey-moon. Tonight at 8:15.
STAR THEATER (Park and Washington)—Motion pictures, 1 to 11 P. M.

HELP FIGHT CONSUMPTION. There is no way so effective as to buy Red Cross Standard A few dollars intelligently expended will often save a human life. Nickels from the multitude make many dollars.

GENERAL COMMISSION POST ELECTIONS—General Commission Post, No. 22, Grand Army of the Republic at its meeting Saturday elected the following officers: Commander, R. H. Miller; senior vice-commander, G. H. Adams; junior vice-commander, S. M. Horton; surgeon, B. S. Barnard; chaplain, Daniel Drew; quartermaster, P. E. Hubbard; inside guard, O. A. Beale; outer guard, A. M. Mason; delegates to department encampment, Comrades Adams, Horton and Powell, alternates, Comrades Hollister, Barnard and Drew. The post will install officers in conjunction with General Commission Post of the Women's Relief Corps, in Odd-fellows hall, St. John, Saturday afternoon, January 3, at 2 o'clock.

AVENUE GRADE TO BE LOWERED—The grade on Mississippi avenue is to be lowered between Skidmore and Prescott streets. This change is being made preparatory to the improvement of the avenue between Goldsmith and Prescott streets. The improvement will be in two parts. The first improvement will be between Goldsmith and Fremont streets, and the second between Fremont and Prescott streets. There is a hill between Skidmore and Prescott streets. It was desired to lower the steep grade between Skidmore and Fremont streets, but this was found impractical on account of the intersecting streets.

BROADWAY LINE TO BE EXTENDED—It was announced yesterday by E. S. Josselyn, president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, that arrangements would be made at once for the extension of the company's Broadway line from Twenty-second to Twenty-fourth streets. The extension will begin at the end of the present Broadway line on Twenty-second street, and extend from Knott to Fremont, thence east on Fremont to Twenty-fourth. This will give the people of the Alameda district the improved service they have been demanding.

EAST STARK ASSESSMENT MADE—The assessment for the improvement of East Stark street, between East Twentieth and East Forty-first streets, amounts to \$47,402. There were some deep cuts on the street, particularly along the north side of Long Fir Cemetery, which increase the cost of the improvement. However, the city will pay a portion of the assessment of the cemetery and the Cemetery Association the remainder. Crushed rock was used on this improvement, and it probably will be the last important street paved with crushed rock in the city.

DR. FOUTKES IN CINCINNATI—Dr. W. H. Foutkes, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, is in Cincinnati attending a meeting of the Presbyterian general assembly's committee on religious education. The committee consists of ten prominent ministers and elders. Dr. Foutkes is the only representative from the Pacific Coast. Proper training of young men for the ministry is the main topic being taken up by the committee. Dr. Foutkes is expected back soon.

PEAK MILK CAMPAIGN PLANNED—Mayor Simon was notified yesterday that there will be a meeting of the officials interested in the milk supply of the city. The meeting will be held at the City Hall tomorrow, at 11 A. M. Dr. R. W. McClure, of the Federal Bureau of Animal Industry, Dr. R. C. Yenney, secretary of the State Board of Health, Mayor Simon and others will attend. There will be discussion of the general subject of how the milk supply can be improved.

CHURCH TO CARE FOR CHILDREN—In order to afford parents an opportunity to attend public worship unimpeded, the Ladies' Aid Society of the First Presbyterian Church has arranged, through a committee of its members, to take care of children under 6 years of age during the hour of Sunday morning services. The committee requests those wishing to take advantage of this arrangement to notify Mrs. W. H. Foutkes in advance.

BOOK CONTRACT AWARDED—The County Commissioners have awarded to the H. S. Crocker Company, of San Francisco, the contract for its books for use in County Clerk Field's department in recording the bids of various firms being as follows: Leveley & Lincoln, \$300; Irwin Hodson Company, \$185; Portland Printing Company, \$150; H. S. Crocker Company, \$124.

THE O. R. & N. RAILWAY CO. have placed a large order for new rolling stock and boiler shop equipment for their new shops at Albina and Starbuck. The contract amounting to about \$40,000. The order was placed with the Portland Machinery Company.

PERKINS HOTEL GRILL XMAS DINNER—To accommodate early diners Mr. Sargent will serve an excellent dinner, beginning at noon Christmas day, and continuing until 10 P. M. Phone 348.

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JEWELRY WOMEN TO MEET—The Bible study class will meet at 2:30 o'clock, in the vestry of Temple Beth Israel, Rabbi Jonah B. Wise will preside.

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CHRISTMAS BOOKS—"McLoughlin and Old Oregon," "McDonald of Oregon" and "The Conquest," at all book stores.

ANTIQUE—George Jeffrey's hand-painted china, 45 Wash. st., near 12th; six presents daily. Sales 7 and 7:30 P. M.

SWISS watch repairing, C. Christensen, second floor Corbett bldg., take elevator.

HAIR FRISERS—Mather's quality jewelry, antique shop, third floor, 28 Wash. st.

FRESH—Huyler's candies, at Nau's Pharmacy, Portland Hotel.

SUNNYSIDE SERVICE IMPROVED—S. W. Walker, secretary of the Sunnyside Improvement Club, yesterday received a reply from President Josselyn, of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, to a request for improvements on the Sunnyside branch. The answer expresses pleasure at the appreciation the Sunnyside club has shown to the efforts of the company to improve the car service on that route. Virtually all the club has asked has been granted, including trippers in the middle of the day, which have been restored. Mr. Josselyn says in his letter that the proposal to cease running cars over the bridge was not a serious suggestion and that there was no intention of carrying it out.

CHILD RESCUED FROM SQUALOR—Nancy Ann Stewart, 8 years old, was taken yesterday from a squalid home in Yamhill County and to a comfortable place in the detention home of the Boys and Girls' Aid Society, where she will remain until adoption. The child, who is bright and pretty, had been living for months, since the death of her mother, in poverty with a derelict stepfather, her own father having died several years ago. She not only went hungry to bed often, but lacked sufficient warm clothing. She is subject to adoption by any worthy family.

BAD CHECK LEADS TO THROBLES—William McClance and Bud Willis, saloon loafers, were each sentenced to ten days in the City Jail yesterday by Judge Bennett in the Municipal Court. They passed a worthless check at a bottle house, at First and Madison streets on Monday night. A. G. Bladen, of 2713 Columbia street, the bartender was complainant.

ELEVATED ROADWAY CONDEMNED—Proceedings have been started to replace the elevated roadway on East Eighth street across Stephens street with a dike. It will be 622 feet long and the cost is estimated at \$28,565. The elevated roadway has been condemned and closed.

Two two largest diamonds in the world are the Excelsior and Cullinan, says expert Dr. George F. Kunz. Xmas diamond shoppers pronounce Helmcken's the largest diamond value house of the city.

PRESBYTERIANS TO MEET

PORTLAND PRESBYTERY PLANS EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Last Day of Year, Week of Prayer and Second Week of January Set Aside for Special Services.

At the special meeting of Portland Presbytery yesterday afternoon in the Third Presbyterian Church, East Pine and East Thirteenth streets, under a report submitted by Rev. J. E. Snyder, chairman of the evangelistic committee, it was decided to hold special evangelistic meetings December 31, also during the week of prayer, and during the second week in January. On December 31 the ministers of the Presbytery will gather in the First Presbyterian Church in the afternoon and there talk over and consider the work in the Presbytery in all its phases, with a view to more advanced steps and extension. Addresses will be delivered on the different branches of the work. This meeting will be followed by a dinner prepared by the women of the First Church and the dinner will be followed by a watch-night service.

On Sunday, January 2, there will be a general exchange of pulpits in the city on the part of the ministers throughout the city. Monday, January 3, the week of prayer will be observed each evening. It was also recommended in the report that special evangelistic efforts be made in the Presbytery, and during the second week in January a series of special meetings be conducted in the First Presbyterian Church. Rev. M. A. Matthews, of the First Presbyterian Church of Seattle, will be invited to conduct these meetings.

On the recommendation of the committee on Sunday school work, Robert J. Givens, of Astoria, was appointed to be the general Sunday school missionary in the Presbytery at a salary of \$1000 a year. This action was taken so that the Sunday schools in the Presbytery might receive the personal attention of a capable man in the remote sections.

A communication was received from the Presbytery of Beaver Falls, Pa., transferring the Rev. William Parsons, the new pastor of the Third Presbyterian Church, to the Portland Presbytery. It was accepted and Rev. Mr. Parsons was enrolled in the Portland Presbytery. E. C. Eerlow, S. C. Spence and Wilson

PENNSYLVANIA PASTOR WHO DINES AT PORTLAND CHURCH.



Rev. William Parsons.

Beneficial representatives from the Third Church, made the statement that the call was regular, whereupon the Presbytery ordered that Rev. Mr. Parsons be installed.

The installation services of Rev. Mr. Parsons followed in the evening at Rev. E. Nelson Allen, D. D., pastor of the Hawthorn Park Presbyterian Church and moderator of the Presbytery, was moderator. Rev. E. M. Sharp, of Mount Calvary Church, delivered the sermon. Rev. J. P. A. McGraw delivered the charge to the pastor and Rev. H. H. Pratt the charge to the church.

At 8:15 a reception was tendered Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Parsons in the parlors, which was largely attended by members of the local church, the ministers of Portland Presbytery and their families. All were made welcome by a reception committee from the Third Church. Rev. Mr. Parsons met most of the ministers of the Presbytery for the first time, and was made to feel that he is heartily welcomed to his new Portland field.

JULIUS MEIER ARRESTED

State Labor Law Violation Charged Against Business Man.

Charged with violating the state labor laws, Julius Meier, one of the members of the firm of Meier & Frank Company, was arrested yesterday upon a warrant

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sworn out in the Municipal Court upon the complaint of O. P. Hoff, State Labor Commissioner.

Mr. Meier was not taken into custody, but was allowed to go upon his own recognizance, the case coming up before Judge Bennett in a few days. According to the complaint the women employed by Meier & Frank Company in the mailing department work more than 10 hours per day, which is prohibited by the statute which provides that women are not permitted to work more than ten hours in one day or more than 60 hours in one week, no matter how the hours are divided. Although all of the employees in the mailing department are said to be required to work these extra hours, the complaint has been made out citing only the case of Jennie E. Floyd, Labor Commissioner Hoff stating that if necessary that he will subpoena all the others in order to get their testimony before the court. The complaint is dated December 14.

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Leather Toilet Cases, \$1.50 to \$10.00
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Sweater Coats, \$2.50 to \$5.00
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