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AMUSEMENTS.
BUNGALOW THEATER (Twelfth and Morrison)—"The Alaskan," tonight at 8:15.
PORTLAND THEATER (Fourth and Washington)—"The Gay Musicians," tonight at 8:15.
ORPHEUM THEATER (Corner between Sixth and Seventh)—Vaudeville, 7:15 and 9:15 P. M.
BAKER THEATER (Third and Yamhill)—George Fitzmaurice Minstrel. Tonight at 8:15.

GRAND THEATER (Washington, between Seventh and Park)—Vaudeville, 7:30 and 9 P. M.
PANTAGES THEATER (Fourth and Stark)—Vaudeville, 7:30, 7:50 and 9 P. M.
LYRIC THEATER (Seventh and Alder)—"Chips," this afternoon at 2:15 and tonight at 8:15.
STAR THEATER (Park and Washington)—Motion pictures.

NORMAN E. DARRING DIES.—Norman E. Darring, 54 years old, died at his home, at 407 East Yamhill street, December 25. He had lived in Portland three years, Baker City being his home for 15 years before he took up his residence here. He is survived by his widow and the following children: Mrs. E. Eaton, Mrs. C. E. Collins, E. E. and Carrie W. Darring and Mrs. B. W. Taylor, a stepdaughter. His mother, Mrs. W. H. Taylor also survives. All Mr. Darring's children were at his bedside when he passed away. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon from the chapel of the East Side Funeral Directors, at 414 East Alder street, and interment was made in Rose City Cemetery.

BOGUS MONEY ORDERS ABOUT.—Portland Postoffice Inspectors are warning merchants of the city against receiving and cashing money orders in the postoffice numbered from 2250 to 2260 and bearing the name of the Ostrander, Wash., Postoffice. The money orders were stolen and are being circulated throughout the coast. They are usually presented during the rush hours of Saturdays and are filled out for sums ranging from \$5 to \$40. Notice of the receipt of a number of the bogus orders in this vicinity has been received.

AGED VETERAN DIES.—Casper J. Hinkle, 80 years old, a veteran of the Civil War, died of heart failure during Sunday night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. Saunders, 1011 Michigan avenue. He had been a resident of Portland for the past 20 years. Besides his daughter, he is survived by a brother in Hubbard, Or. He was born in Parry County, Missouri, and for many years owned farming tracts near Hubbard. The body will be shipped to Hubbard for burial on Wednesday morning.

THIS MEANS YOU!—What is thunder is the use of crying about increased cost of living and then sitting around like a bump on a log waiting for something to happen? Get out and help yourself. Go to your nearest meat market for your meat. If you pay beef trust prices at the various markets throughout the city meat will be the roughest food on your table. Turn to Smith's for the best package of this paper. There's a difference.

DAIRYMAN HIT BY CAR.—C. K. Klump, dairyman living near Hillsboro, Or., was painfully injured at night, at Second and Main streets, by a street car collision. Klump was thrown out of his wagon to the street and sustained many bruises. Milk cans were spilled over the street. Klump had started to turn aside but the wheels of the wagon had not cleared the car tracks when the car struck the vehicle.

W. C. T. U. IS HOSTESS.—Central W. C. T. U. will have a matron's medal contest followed by a social on Wednesday at 2:30 P. M. at the Reynolds building, on New Year's day from 2 to 5 P. M. A reception will be given to which all W. C. T. U. women and others who may be interested are invited. This reception will be held in the Central W. C. T. U. rooms.

FEBRUARY "LENS" UNDER WAY.—The February graduating class of Washington High School will have charge of the Lens, its magazine, for that month. The class has already started on the make-up of the periodical. Each graduating class makes special articles for the Lens issues, and the February class will endeavor to publish a better magazine than ever issued before.

LEAGUE SECRETARY RESIGNS.—R. H. Thomas, secretary of the Seventh Ward Improvement League, has placed his resignation in the hands of the president of the league, Mr. Thomas, who is also clerk of the Board of Education, found that the duties of secretary of the league require too much of his time. There are nine push clubs in the Seventh Ward.

CLUB TO KEEP OPEN HOUSE.—The Men's Club of Centenary Methodist Church will keep open house every Tuesday night at the church, at East Ninth and East Twelfth streets. All interested, especially strangers, are invited to attend. Tonight the club will resume the study of Mr. Kiddle's lectures, delivered some time ago in Centenary Church.

FILLS READY FOR PAVING.—At both ends of the Union-avenue bridge, over Sellwicks Gulch, a 50-foot space was left unpaved because of dirt, the surface being covered with crushed rock. The hills have settled and the street may now be paved close up to both ends of the bridge. This will be done immediately.

A POPULAR CONTEST.—All prominent organizations in the city are taking a lively interest in the piano contest at McAllen-McDonnell's dry goods store, corner Third and Morrison. The piano is a prize-winning Kimball, worth \$50, and is certainly a beauty. One vote with each 10-cent purchase.

RECEIVING HOME ENTERTAINS.—Christmas exercises will be held at the Boys and Girls Aid Society's receiving home this evening at 7:30 o'clock, under the auspices of the Young People's Society of the First Baptist Church. All friends of the society are cordially invited to attend.

CHARLES A. HERMAN SUCCEEDS.—Charles A. Herman, 35 years old, died at St. Vincent's Hospital Saturday. The funeral services will be conducted at the Orange hall, at Lentz this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Multnomah Cemetery will be the place of interment.

THE HOTEL SEWELL is making a very low rate to a limited number of permanent guests. The dining-room therein, which has been under separate management, is being remodelled, refurnished and will reopen under management of the hotel.

CENTRAL OREGON'S RESOURCES.

Why two great railway systems are spending \$10,000,000 to penetrate Interior Oregon will be told in detail in the New Year's Oregonian. The resources of an undeveloped country as large as the State of Ohio, now unserved by railroads, will be described by staff writers in articles accompanied by photographs taken by The Oregonian's own photographers. Interior Oregon possesses vast farming possibilities, the only remaining body of any considerable extent of open Government land, promising coal, oil and gold prospects, the greatest body of pine timber existing in America, unlimited unapplied water power and many opportunities for profitable investment for men of small or large means.

This New Year's Oregonian will present these matters in an unbiased and conservative manner. The issue will be published January 1. The price will be 5 cents a copy; postage 4 cents in the United States and 8 cents to foreign countries.

DERAUCH PROVES FATAL.—After a drunken debauch, a man upon whose person was found an envelope with the address inscribed, "W. S. Baker," died yesterday morning in the City Jail. The body was turned over to the care of Deputy Coroner James Dunning. Baker had been arrested the night before at Third and Burnside streets by Patrolman Martine. The officer had been called to the street corner where Baker was found in a drunken fit. He was taken to the City Jail where he had other fits. The City Physician was called, but the man was so deeply under the influence of drink that medical aid was in vain. He finally fell asleep until morning when he was seized with another attack, and died in a few minutes.

CLUB WOMEN POSTPONE MEET.—The art and psychology departments of the Portland Woman's Club will not meet until after the holidays.

SKYSCRAPER TO RISE. TWELVE-STORY BUILDING IS PLANNED BY BANK. Union Trust Company to Have Home at Fourth and Washington. Long Lease Obtained.

Construction of a 12-story building at the northeast corner of Fourth and Washington streets, on a site owned by Mrs. G. A. Trimble, who has just leased it to the Union Construction Company for 50 years, is to be begun by the company soon after next October, when the lease becomes effective. The structure will be known as the Union Trust Company building, this company being controlled largely by the same men who form the Union Construction Company.

The lease is to be on a graduated scale, being \$1250 a month for the first year and increasing from the end of that time to the end of the term of the lease, when it will reach \$2000 a month.

The new building will be of the class A type and will cost about \$300,000. It will be the home of the Union Bank & Trust Company, organized November 5, with C. N. Atkinson as president. Other officers of the company are: Vice-president, J. P. Finley; cashier, G. A. Newell; assistant secretary, W. P. Andrew. The bank will use the first two stories and the remaining part of the building will be reserved for offices.

The construction of the new building, the plans of which have not yet been prepared.

CHILDREN ENJOY SANTA. Volunteers of America Give Poor of City Jolly Good Time.

Crowding into the hall of the Volunteers of America, 325 Burnside street, shabbily dressed, but with eager, expectant faces, 150 children of the poor of the old man. In addition to a plentiful distribution of candies, nuts, oranges and apples, each child was furnished with an order on a local department store calling for a pair of shoes and two pairs of stockings. Each boy was given a ball and a jackknife, while the little girls were each presented with a dressed doll.

B. Lee Page, vice-president of the Portland Trust Company of Oregon, treasurer of the Christmas fund of the Volunteers of America, has been one of the principal promoters of the Christmas tree for the poor. After last night's affair there is still money left from the fund and this will be used in helping the poor during the remainder of the winter.

MADAME SEMBRICH INJURED. Noted Prima Donna Sprains Ankle Leaving Car.—To Sing Here.

Madame Marcelle Sembrich, the noted prima donna, is at Hotel Portland suffering from a badly-sprained ankle. As a result her engagement at Spokane may be cancelled. She is scheduled to appear there the first of this week.

Madame Sembrich and her company arrived in Portland yesterday on the Shasta Limited. In an unaccountable manner the vocalist touched her ankle in alighting from the car. It is believed Mme. Sembrich will be able to meet her engagement in Portland later in the week.

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NURSES DECRY MAN

Portland Attendants of Sick Express Opinions.

MALE NURSE BELITTLED. Local Physicians Prove Defenders of Poor Man, Who Takes Up Nursing as Profession, Declaring They Are Reliable.

When several hundred Portland women nurses read yesterday what Dr. S. Means Gregory, of Bellevue Hospital, New York, had to say regarding male nurses there were gleeful chuckles, for he it known the woman graduate hospital nurse is intensely jealous of the higher salary and other privileges the male variety enjoys. Dr. Gregory's opinion that only those men are nurses with whom "something is the matter" was excitedly discussed and while there were not many who agreed with one daily mis that "male nurses were not O. K." or with Dr. A. E. Roeky, on the other hand, who thought them "thoroughly trustworthy and reliable," yet it was not difficult to see that as a general thing the verdict was thumbed down for the man nurse.

"They're lazy, they drink and they are never nice," thought a local hospital graduate. "Besides, how many people-men particularly—would be satisfied if a male nurse were to look after them?"

Women Want Men to Keep Out. "Anyway, isn't nursing one of the few things left for us poor women to do? When we do anything else people suppose we're nursing. Isn't it enough to make us all suffragettes, men butting in?"

S. A. Gilson, a male nurse attending a case at a local hospital, agreed with Dr. Gregory. "The majority of male nurses drink or doze," he said. "In all my class at the Minneapolis City Hospital there are only two who do not. With a D. T. case they often drink the booze intended for the patient and whenever they get the chance they take drugs."

Which seemed to hear out Dr. Gregory's contention. "If a man is any good he will never stay a nurse," said the superintendent of a local hospital. "Those with any ambition become doctors and those left are just the leavings."

But where other physicians vilified and reviled, Dr. Roeky and Dr. J. A. Pettit stood by the men. "Both male and female nurses have their proper places," quoth Dr. Roeky. "All male nurses I have employed have been thoroughly reliable and trustworthy."

Doctor Evades Direct Answer. "Are they better than women nurses?" the doctor was asked. "I never said so," was the somewhat evasive reply.

But the girl nurses do not share the doctors' opinions. "Why should they be paid twice as much as we are? It's not fair, I'm sure. If a man is so good at all he becomes a nurse, while only the best girls can get through. They make so many inquiries about our conduct, our relations and our friends. Male nurse, forsooth!"

And she gave an indignant toss to her head. "There are not many male nurses in the city, and, it is said, but few reliable ones. The girl nurses say if there is one good male nurse they have yet to meet him, but the doctors say there are exceptions to even Dr. Gregory's rule."

O'BRIEN RETURNS; SILENT. Harriman System Manager Declines to Discuss Conference East.

General Manager O'Brien, of the Harriman system, returned yesterday from Chicago where he was called for a conference with Judge Lovett, president, and Julius Kruttschnitt, director of maintenance and operation. Mr. O'Brien declined to make any announcement as a result of the conference, saying it had to do only with considering the matter of equipment and betterments incidental to completing the budget of next year's expenditures. Neither would Mr. O'Brien give any intimation of what recommendations he had made to his superiors covering the situation in this state.

About all the local representative of the Harriman system would say was that he was more than pleased to terminate his visit in the frigid West and return to the more delightful climate of the state of his adoption.

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