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AMUSEMENTS.

ORTLAND THEATER-CFourteenth and Washington)-"The Gay Musician." To-night at \$:15.

RPHEUM THEATER (Morrison, between Stath and Seventh)-Vaudeville, 2:15 and 8:15 P. M.

BAKEP THEATER (Third and Yamhil)-Heorge Primrose Minstrels. Tonight at \$13.

WAND THEATER (Washington, between Baventh and Park)-Vaudeville, 2:30, 7:30 and 9 P. M.

PANTAGES THEATER (Fourth and Stark) -Vandeville, 2:80, 7:80 and 9 P. M.

LITRIC THEATER Seventh and Alder-Chiegs." This afternoon at 2:15, and to uight at 5:15 STAR TREATER (Park and Washington)-Motion pictures, 1 to 11 P. M.

BROTHER SEEXS SETERA-Inquiry has been received in Portland from Thomas Brennan, of 107 St. Aus street, Liver-Brennae, of 197 St. Anse street, Liver-pool, England, regarding the whereabouts of his two sisters, Julia and Sarah, aged 22 and 24 years old. Information about them will be gratefully received at this address. In a letter fram Liverpool Bren-nan seys that his sisters, then small girls, left for Portland in 1894, and that they corresponded regularly with their home until 1962, when their father died. The last heard from them one of the young women was married to a man named Myler employed by the Gas Company and that the other sister was engaged to be married to a mon employed on a boat then building on the river.

Whith DEDICATE CHURCH WITHOUT DERT. —The inside of the new home of the fermin Methodist Church, at the corner of Standon street and Redney avenue, is being unished preparatory for the dedica-tion which will be held next Sunday after-ment at 2:30 o'clock. No money will have to be raised during the exercises, as all obligations have been provided for. Bishop Charles Smith, who laid the cor-mensions were months ago, will deliver the dedicatory acrond. Plans were drawn by Rev. C. S. Larson, paster of the Swedish Church on Vancouver avenue and Skidmore street. It will cost, com-pleted and furnished, about \$3000. Rev. E E. Herkler in paster. WATCHNIGHT SERVICES PLANNED. - An WHL. DEDICATE CHURCH WITHOUT DERT

E. Heritzler is pastor.
WATCHNIGHT SERVICES PLANNED. - An elaborate programme of exercises has been irrepared by Rev. W. T. Easter for New Year's eve, at the Sumyside Methodist Church. Addresses will be delivered by Rev. Clarence True Wilson, of Centernary, Rev. L. C. Poor, af Sellwood: Rev. 1. F. Hallin, of Trinity; Rev. J. W. McDougall, of Mount Tabor; Rev. J. W. McDougall, of Central, and Rev. W. H. Hollingshead, the disrict superintendent. The general subject will be "Work of the Holy Spirit." A large choras choir will furnish music. The exercises will mart at so 'clock and close at midnight. W. C. T. U. Haans Auppress.-Mrs. C.

Professor Alfred G. Lunn, assistant of the politivy husbandry department at Oregon Agricultural College, arrived in Partland yesterday to begin impection of the poultry belonging to the boys and girls of the Portland Junior Poultry As-sociation, entered in the poultry contest which started the first of last November. The contest will fast until November 1, 1919, and inspection will be made every two months. The prizes will be awarded according to the care with which the poultry has been kept and will consist of one prize of 300, one of 350 and ten of & each. Forty-two boys and girls out of the total membership of 300 in the asso-ciation are entered in the coutest. The poultry yards are located as fol-Mart at S o'clock and close at midnight. W. C. T. U. Haans Anoress.-Mrs. C. M. Bodley gave an interesting talk at Central W. C. T. U. Wednessiay. Mrs. E. H. Roper reported an interesting Unrishmas exercise at the Seamen's In-stitute, 64 comfort bags having bases contributed by the W. C. T. U. women, After a song service the exercises closed it' was announced that the usual New Y at's reception will be given Saturday, between 2 and 6 P. M. at room 362 Goed-nough building. A musical programme will be rendered. Next week reports of officero and superintendents will be given, HARNESEMANCERS COMING. - Proparation

ciation are entered in the contest. The poultry yards are located as fol-lows: Two on Portland Heights, two in North Portland, three in South Portland, nine on Mount Tabor, six in Woodstock, nine in the Mount Scott district, and Ii in Northeast Portland. The inspection will last two days. There are 659 chickens, 600 of which are thor-oughbreds. A pair of which are thor-oughbreds. A pair of which recently belonging to Master Schrieve took first prize at the recent poultry show. HARNESMARKERS COMING. - Proparation being made for the annual convention t the Northwest Retail Harnessmakers' A sociation, composed of dealers in Ore-son. Washington and Idaho, to be held January 10 to 11. The meetings will be held in the convention hall of the Com-mercial Club and will end with a ban-duat on the last evening of the conven-tion. Close to 20 delements tion. Close to 200 delegates are expected to attend, according to R. W. Price, of this city, who is president of the organiza-

took first prize at the recent younty show. Professor James Dryden, of the poultry fusbundry department at O. A. C. had interfield to make the inspection with Professor Lunn, but has been detained on account of sickness in his family. He will make the next inspection. The Junior Poultry Association holds regular meetings in the Y. M. C. A. audi-torium on the second Friday of every month. At the next meeting, January B. H. Professor Dryden will lecture on y "Housing." FROMOTERES TO INSTALL MAINS-Mayor Simon was notified yesterday by Oskar Huber, that water mains and other im-provements to be made in Laurelhurst Park, will be paid for by the promotera, and that the city will not be asked to permit the projectors to take advaniage of the bonding act. The Mayor, at the meeting of the Water Board Tuesday afternoon, had told Mr. Huber he is op-posed to the city being used in such a

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BODY SENT TO IOWA.-The remains of Mrs. John Haywood were sent Wednes-day to her hits home in Iowa for inter-ment Sunday. Her mother and sister ar-tived here Tuesday to accompany the body to its last resting place.

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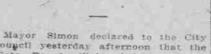
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tions Pass Council.

ONE DISSENTER RECORDED

Councilman Rushlight Opposes Proposition as He Believes Rates Discriminatory-Changes Will Go Into Effect December 31.



Council yesterday afternoon that the Water Board will be glad to install a meter in any house where the occu-pants wish one, and that it will be equally glad to remove any meter from any dwelling.

With this assurance the Council adopted the schedule of rates recommended by the Board with but one dissenting vote, that of Councilman Rushlight, who said he feels that the rates discriminatory. The minimum rate of 75 cents a month and fist rate

of 50 cents a month will therefore be in force and effect after December 31, 1989. 1989. Questioned by Councilman Annand as to whether or not the Water Board will ingtall any more meters in dwell-ings, Mayor Simon replied that, in his opinion, there will be enough meters removed from houses where occupants will decide to take the 56-cent flat rate to equip all such houses as are desired.

body to its last resting place. CHECKEN Sour, roast turkey, oyster dressing, potsto salad, English plum pud-ding and mince pla for huncheon, at Wo-man's Exchange today, is: Fifth street, desired.

NEW YEAR'S DINNER, at Perkins Grill. Mr. Sargent will serve an excellent dinner January 1 and 2 from 12:30 to 5:30, for \$1. Solo by Jeane Wilson. Man Seeks Meter Six Months. Mr. Annand said be knew of a mar

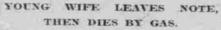
The Council reconsidered its action in' passing an ordinance prohibiting houseboats on the Willamette River within the city limits, and sent the ordinance to the committee on health and police for consideration. It is probable that a fight will be made by scowdwellers, through Councilman Rushlight, to defeat passage of the or-dinance again, as they want the privi-lege of remaining in their scow houses on the river. There is no possibility, however, of this eventually being de-feated, as Mayor Simon and nearly all of the members of the Council realize that the river must be cleared.

ment of the Charter will give free water mains to the vacant lat owners at the expense of the poor renters and small home owners? Third-Do you know that your amend-ment will give \$200,000 worth of free water mains to Laurelhurst (the Ladd tract) at the expense of renters? Pourth-Is any member of your Water Board interested in Laurelhurst? Fifth-Are all the promoters of addi-tions like Laurelhurst so hard up that they must be helped to a few dollars from all the renters and small home owners? Sixth--Why should the water consum-ers of Portland pay \$12 per year for the same water Cleveland, Ohlo, furnishes for \$3? Cleveland has to pump its wa-ter, while we have gravity. Rending, Pa., Manchester, N. H. and Trenton, N. J. all collect \$9 per year, while Portland pays \$12 for the same water. Chicago collects \$8.20. St. Pant \$8, Minneapolis \$8, Cincinnati \$3 per year, while Portland fays \$12 for. Atlanta, Ga., col-lects \$1.20 and Salt Lake City \$7 to our \$12. Detroit, Mich., collects \$5.20 and has to pump, while we pay \$12 for stravity. Buffalo, N. Y., collects \$5.20 for the same water we pay \$12 for. All the above cities. like Portland, own their water systems, but unlike Portland, do not try to fleece the water consumer the mater bastion. Sixth-Why should the water consum

own their water systems, but unlike Purtland, do not try to fleece the water consumers the way Portland does. The actual cost of running the water system of Portland, including its ex-travagant management and interest, is about \$200,000 per year, but we collect over \$600,000. If the surplus \$400,000 is used to improve private property with free water mains and free fire hydrants, it is a robbery of the poor for the benefit of the rich. of the rich. (

The men who take money from the poor by force of their offices and give it to the rich are breaking the eighth com-mandment. H. D. WAGNON.





Mrs. Martha Schmidt, Married Little Over Year, Wants to Sleep For-

ever, so She Wins Wish.

Writing a short note upon a postal-card Writing a short note upon a postal-card saying that she desired to sleep for all time, and then dropping a 25-cent piece in a slot-machine gas meter, Mrs. Mar-tha Schmidt, 29 years old, wife of Ber-nard Schmidt, 20 years old, wife of Ber-nard Schmidt, 20 years old, wife of Ber-nard Schmidt, 29 years old, 29 years the Madison street, tay on the floor with her mouth close to the escaping poison and waited for death. The suicide was discovered a short time

The suicide was discovered a short time afterwards by the landlady of the house who, alarmed by the strong odor of gas tried to break in the door. Unsuccessful she rushed to the husband of the woman at work in his bakery, and brought him to the scene. It was too late, however, Dr. Irving was summoned, but death had come and all efforts to revive the woman were insatelling. The motive for the suicide is puzzling

On the postal she wrote: "I an tired because I cannot sleep, but I believe I will now sleep forever." The woman was dressed in her night elothing. The Schmidts had been married 15 months. She was a native of Germany.



Police Rush to Rescue, and James A Kelley Is Arrested.

Prevented from further annoying a is-cear-old girl, by following her and ac-costing her on the street, James A. Kelley, 50 years old, a well-known resident of St. John, was taken to the City Jail, at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, by De-tectives Coleman and Snow. Kelley was caught by I. B. Farrell, an expressman who lives at 1475 East Eighth

corressman who lives at 143 hast Eighth street, and who has a stand at First and Oak streets. His attention was drawn to the pair by the fact that the girl was in tears and trying to elude the man. The expressman jumped from his wagon and, although Kelley is six feet tall and of powerful build grappled with him. The officers witnessed the scuffle and ran to the scene. to the scene. The girl in tears told how Kelley had followed and insulted her for a number of blocks. When searched in the jall Kelley threatened to kHi Jaller Thompson



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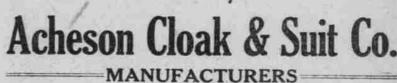
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Houseboats Are Affected.

Bors ANT GIRLS SIZE SHOW.--Manager Condray, of the Orpheum Theater, in-vited the children of the Rocelving Home of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society to sitend the matines yesterday afternoon, and is vanimeters. allend the matines yesterday afternoon, and 55 youngsters responded. Good scats were reserved for them and they thoroughly enjoyed (homselves. The Portland Raflway, Light & Power Com-pany furnished the necessary transporta-

Y. W. C. A. WILL KEEP OPEN HOUSE To when a while takes of the Norse -To when the New Year, a reception and open house will be observed at the Y. W. C. A. Saturday, January 1, from 2 until 5 o'clock. There will be a pro-gramme at 4 o'clock, consisting of recita-tions by little girls and music, both or-cliestra and solo work. The entire build-ing will be consisted on the solution. ing wil be open for inspection. The gen-eral public is invited.

FIGURE 1 DUBIE IS INVITED. Prove-CENT FARM MAY BRONS SOON.— Mayor Streib, of Milwaukle, believes the secent fare between Portland and Mil-waukle will go hute effect about the mild-die of January, unless the street railway company should move for a rohearing of the case. If the company seeks a rehear-ing in the Supreme Court B might cause more delay in putting the i-cent fare into operation.

Jamps M. KENDALL BURHED. The fu-netal of James M. Kundall, who died at his home in Sollwood. Pecember 27, was conducted yesterday afternoon from Hem-tock's undertaking chapel. Rivervièw 'Numetory was the place of interment. Rov. D. A. Thompson conducted the sorv-ices. Mr. Kendall was 61 years of age. He is survived by his widow. Mr.S. Birdle L. Kendall.

FUNERAL OF L. H. BURTON

L. Kendall, CAFTAIN MOCHT Is GIVEN STAR --Captain of Detectives Moore was presented with a handsome sliver star yesterday affernoon as a Christmas gift from his staff of plain-elothes officers. It was hand em-graved with an attractive design and on the back hore an appropriate insertiohe back bore an appropriate inscrip-ion. The presentation speech was made y Clief of Police Cox.

The functal of the late Leigh H. Burton, for many years cashier of The Gregonian, will take place from his late residence, corner of Teuth and Burnside streets, this New YEAR'S EVE SPECIAL TO CLATGOP BEAUL-Special train via the A. & C. R. Hallroad leaves Portland 6.20 P. M. Fri-day, December 31, running through to Seaside and stopping at all Beach resorts. Hotels at Seaside are open and are making special preparations for the event. Bound trip fars. 54. afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends are invited to attend the serv-loes at the house. Interment at the ceme-

making special preparations for the event. Bound trip fare \$1. Muss Jame M. CLARK DESS.-MrS. Jame M. Clark died yesterday at her home in Sellwood, at the age of 72 years and a months. She is survived by several grown children living in Portland and one son in Seattle. The finneral will be held tomorrow afternoon at the Portland comparison. STREET OFFICIES.

ALASEA - New trail-map just issued. Fairbanks, Iditared, Innoko Districts. Sut upon receipt of 37 cents, or stamps. Alaska Map Co., Seattle, Washington. * Company, commending January 1, be-tween Porland, Tacoma, Seattle and intermediate points. Fine trains, con-venient hours of arrival and departure. Try the new line. "LEFFERIS" diamond engagement rings, finest quality, all sizes; every stone guar-anteed, prices \$55 to \$590. 272 Wash, st. * MERAT HEARTS will give their holliday party in Murlark hall tonight. Candy, popeard and punch will be served. *

Swiss watch repairing. C. Christenson, second floor Curbett bldg., take elevator.* Rans Prints, Mahorany quaint jewelry. Antique Shop, third floor, 365 Wash st. * All the dollcacies of the season at the Portland Restaurant. Fine private spart-ments for ladies, 306 Wash., near 5th st. ** Min M., large corner, select anartment, site, \$19,000 \$315 Washington, room 5 *

FUN AT MIDNIGHT PLAYS Diversified Entertainment Is Prom-

ised at "Matinees.

of the members of the Council realize that the river must be cleared. A deed to a stilp of ground 200 feet wide and one mile long, donnted to the city for a boulevard by the Terwilliger heirs, was ordered filed. This is choice property and will be improved for a part of the great boulevard system that is to connect all of the city's parks. A special committee, consisting of Councilmen Watkins, Wallace and Mon-efee, was elected by the Council to consider a report recently made as to property owned by the city which per-haps should be sold. Next Friday night (New Year's eve). Next Finday night (New Year's evo), twin midnight matinees will be given at the Orpheum and Baker Theaters for the benefit of the Theatrical Mechanics' As-sociation. The programme at each thea-ter will begin at 11:50 and run until 1 A. M. Theater-goers will be given an elab-orate and diversified entertainment. The heat acts from each theater to the dire best acts from every theater in the city will be seen, thereby giving the "mid-night viewers" a variety impossible in one performance at any other time. Added to the feast of "headline acts,"

Added to the teast of "heading acts, will be the accompaniment of an aug-montod orchestra at each theater, kindly donated for the occasion as are also the services of the purformets. The T. M. A's, as the abreviation is generally put heading is been abreviation is generally put A's., as the abreviation isc generally put for this benevolent theatrical body of stage crews, ushers, doormen and man-agers, annually expend a large sum of money in relieving sickness, and trouble among its members. Receipts of the midnight matinees go into the treasury of the organization as a reflet fund. States are now being sold at boxoffices of each and every theater in the city, also at Rows & Martin's drugstore. Tickets boucht at the theaters must be ex-

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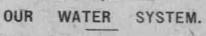
Sembrich is having a most triumphan-tour, ovalion following ovalion in every city she visits. "Mme. Sembrich de lighted an audience that must have num-

lighted an audience that must have num-bered 800 percense at the 20discum las night," says the St. Louis Republic, "She sang with Damrosch's Orchestra. In every sense the concert was successful It was brilliant. bought at the fleaters must be ex-changed at Rowe & Martin's drugstore for a reserved seat ticket. Tickets at either theater will be held at the drug store for exchange until Friday (New Year's eve) at 10 P. M.

"Sombrich never appeared in finer health; she has lost not a whit of the purity and color of her tone; she is if possible an improved artist, and taking into consideration the difference between operatic and condert singing, the immeu-sity of the Collecum, it is quite within the reakm of sate-saying to aver that Mme. Sembrich never has appeared or been heard to a greater advantage in St Louis

"The 'Voce di Primavara' waitz song brought down the house. Then to satisfy it she sang a little English song and finally, in response to a tramendous demmany, in response to a trainendous dem-onstration, accompanied herself in a French song that gave her the best op-portunity for the display of her perfect finish and technique." Sembrich will sing at the Armory Jan-

uary 6, assisted by her own company. Lots Steers-Wynn Comman are making preparations for the comfort of those who attend, and the Armory will be as



PORTDAND, Or., Dec. 28.—(To the Editor.).—His Honor, the Mayor, has called a water election, and has said something about water rates; therefore, I wish to ask him a few questions: First—Do you know that the city wa-ter belongs to all the people of Porr-iand, and should not be managed as an asset of the vacant lot owners? Becond - Do you know that your amend-



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