Great Clearance

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

AFRICAN NATIVE GIRL TO SPEAK.—Diana Bralia McNeal, a native of Africa, will ar-rive in Portland this morning and will be

rive in Portland this morning and will be entertained by Mrs. Virginia Patterson, at 667 East Morrison street. Mrs. Patterson is a sister of Mrs. Lizzie McNeil Buckwalter, a missionary who left Oregon 20 years ago for Africa, took Diana when a child 2 years old, and with the assistance of the parent board of the Foreign Missionary Society has given her a college education. After attending training school, the visitor will return as a missionary to her people. She will speak at Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, East Ninth and East Pine streets, tomorrow at 11 A. M.; at the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Third and Taylor streets, to the Epworth League, at 6,39

dist Episcopal Church, Third and Taylor streets, to the Epworth League, at 6:39 P. M., and at the African Zion Methodist Episcopal Church, Thirtsenth and Main streets at 8 P. M. An informal reception will be tandered her Sunday at 5 P. M., at Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, Twelfth and Taylor streets, by the Foreign Missionary Societies of the Methodist Episcopal church of Portland.

Chunch Has Annual Meering.—At the annual meeting of Grace Baptist Church, Montavilla, Thursday evening, the pastor,

Tenneson and A. C. Hageman, trustees Fred Newell, L. Perkins and A. Sisley

ing after the installation. Oregon as sembly now has more than \$00 members.

of the estate of G. G. Gamma filed yesterday with the County

at \$15,000, mostly in real property.

REVIVAL MEETINGS BEGIN. - Revival meetings under the auspices of the Oregon Holiness Association were opened last night in the Second Baptist Church, East

Ankeny and East Seventh streets. Rev. L. R. Blackman, of the Sellwood Church of the Nazarene, conducted the music. Rev. Seth C. Rees, a well-known re-

Rev. Seth C. Rees, a well-known re-vivalist, delivered the first sermon to an audience that filled the church. Rev. "Bud" Robinson will assist in the meet-ings Services will be held every after-

MEN'S MEET ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON .- A

men's meeting will be held temorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, in the Sellwood branch Y. M. C. A. Rev. J. A. Mc-Veigh will deliver the address. Secretary Moore has arranged for special music.

THREE TO HEAR GRIEVANCES

UNDER BUILDING CODE.

Mayor Appoints Russell, Lewis and

Mason to Hear Cases Carried

From Building Inspector.

bers of the Board of Appeals, to which will be referred all building disputes: Lewis Russell, to serve for three years; Ion Lewis, to serve for two years, and George C. Mason, to serve for one year.

It is only during the last few years that Portland has had a building inspector, and the building laws have

not been easy to interpret. The result has been unsatisfactory in many ways, and the building inspector has called the attention of the Council to the need

of a board of appeals, as is provided in nearly all the larger cities of the coun-

Whenever the builder who is seeking

that it may deem necessary.

That the Board of Appeals may not make arbitrary rulings to cover any certain case, it is required that copies

of its decisions must be posted in the office of the Building Inspector and other places, where all interested peo-

JAPAN SECRETARY IS HERE

Head of Y. M. C. A. in Orient Will

Speak Tomorrow in Portland.

Abrupt change in plans for tomor-

spend Sunday in Portland. Arrange-ments already made for the meeting were cancelled and it was announced that Mr. Fisher would be the speaker

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AMUSEMENTS.

EILIG THEATER (7th and Taylor)—The musical comedy, "Honeymoon Trail" Spe-cial matthree this afternoon 2:15, tonight 8:15,

THEATER—Eleventh and Mor-The Baker Stock Company in Maxings at 2:15 and tonight at look.

Sils o'clock.

CHPHRUM THEATER—(Morrison, between Skith and Seventh)—Vaudeville. This afternoon at 2:15 and tonight at \$:15.

GRAND THEATER—(Park and Washington)—Vaudeville. This afternoon at 2:15, tenight at 7:30 and 9.

LYRIC THEATER—(Seventh and Alder)—
Lyric Comedy Company in "In Mexico." This afternoon at 2:30 and tonight at 7:30 and 9.

TAR THEATER—(Park and Washington)
—Motion pictures. Continuous, from 1:30
to 10:30 P. M.

ARMORY (Tenth and Couch)-National Ebsep and Angora Show.

Advertisements intended for the City News in Brief columns in Sunday's isoffice 'y 6 "clock saturday

Doctor Pars 50 Pine Because punishment of Charles Gray and J. E. Townment of Charles Gray and J. E. Town-send charged with obtaining money by false pretenses would only have caused further grief to the latter's sister. Mrs. Grant Lackey, of Springfield, Ill., the case against Townsend was diemissed in Muni-cipal Court yesterday morning. Gray pleaded guilty and paid a fine of 50 for practicing medicine without a license. It was alleged that Gray and Townsend had consolved to send a telegram to Mrs. had conspired to send a telegram to Mrs. Lackey, telling her that Townsend was in the hospital here, suffering from ap-pendicitie, and that \$50 was needed for his treatment. The woman cent the money, but hearing nothing further, she appealed to Rev. William Hiram Foulkes. Investigation by the District Attorney and city detectives disclosed that Gray, with a partner, after studying "Mechano-therapy" for six weeks, ind begun prac-tice with an office in the Mohawk buildng. By trade he is a carpenter.

WOODMEN OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED. Officers of Multnomah Camp, No. 77, Woodmen of the World, were installed last night in the hall, on Elast Sixth screet, as follows: Consul commander, W. B. Holderman; advisor lieutenant, Dr. A. K. Higgs; banker, M. D. George; clerk, J. O. Wilson; assistant clerk, A. L. Keenan; escort, S. J. Mendle; managers, B. H. Puller, J. L. Wells and J. W. Reynolds; sentry, H. B. Webster; watch-man, S. A. Beard, Past Commander T. J. Kreuder was installing officer. The amp starts in on the new year with 1750 numbers. A. L. Keenan has been employed as assistant clerk.

CALANTHE LODGE INSTALLS.—Calanthe Lodge, No. 31, Knights of Pythias at its last meeting installed the following officers: Chancellor commander, Joseph T. Rogers; vice-chancellor, James E. Dun-Rogers; vice-chancellor, James E. Dun-bar; prelate, Dr. A. B. Stone; master of exchequer, D. G. Bronuger; master of finance, George H. Prey; keeper of rec-ords and saals, James S. Rodda; master of work, James E. Taylor; master at arms. H. H. Fox; inner guard, H. A. Brock; outer guard, L. Croaker; trustee (three years), Herman Broider.

WOODSTOCK CARLINE BEING CHANGED.— The work of changing the Woodstock car-line in Kenilworth to East Twenty-eighth street has been started. The line will run north from Gladstone avenue on East Twenty-eighth street across the ravine and then turn west to East Twenty-eighth street. Grading has been started on Bast Twenty-eighth street and timbers are on the ground for the trestle across the This work is preparatory to the tracks to replace the single track

ARCHITECT WEED TO LECTURE-Howard Evart Weed, of Chicago, who has been engaged by the Lone Fir Lot Owners' As-sociation to superintend the improvement of Lone Fir Cemetery, will deliver an illustrated lecture Sunday night, in Hawthorne Park Presbyterian Church, East Twelfth and East Taylor streets, on methods of beautifying cemetery. He will show what can be done with Lone Fir. The lecture will be under the auspices

of the Lot Owners' Association. New JUSTICE DISTRICT MADE.-A new Justice of the Peace district was created yesterday forenoon by the County Court. It takes in the district known as Lents proper and comprising election districts 162, 163 and 164. E. P. Tobin was named as the first Justice of the Peace to serve until the next county election. John Hall was named as Constable of the new district to serve until a successor is

REV. G. W. PETTIT APPOINTED. -Rev. G. W. Pettit has been appointed to the pastorate of the First Seventh-Day Adventist Church, at East Eleventh and East Everett streets. He succeeds the Rev. W. F. Martin, who is the religious secretary of the Western Oregon confer-ence, and who goes to Salem during the session of the Legislature.

DESVER MAN IS IN JAIL-Charles Hans, an employe of the Jones Packing Coman employe of the Jones Packing Com-pany, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Detectives Snow and Coleman. Hass is wanted at Denver to answer to a charge of the larceny of meat products worth about \$50. He is held awaiting the arrival of an officer from Denver.

SAUER KRAUT HOLDS CUSPIDOR.—While
J. PARIO WAS absent from his house, at
89 Northrup street, on Thursday night,
someone broke in and threw a cuspidor
in his barrel of sauer kraut. When Mr.
Essno returned home, he found the cuspidor floating about in the liquor above Garland Rusumes Private Practice— The resignation on January 1 of Charles W. Garland as Deputy District Attorney was made public yesterday. Garland will establish offices in the Chamber of Com-merce building, for private practice, Gar-land's successor has not been chosen.

Civil. WAR VETERAN IS CREMATED.— The funeral of David P. Mitchell, a voteran of the Civil War, was held yesterday afternoon, at Portland Crematorium, under the auspices of George Wright Post, G. A. R., of which he was a member of Michael was a rem-Mr. Mitchell was 72 years old.

"GREATER SUCCESS DURING 1911" will be Luther R. Dyott's theme in the First Congregational Church tomorrow at 11 A. M. Dr. Dyott's theme at 7:45 P. M., "In Our Courts of Justice; or, What a Minister Learned as a Juror."

Dr. W. H. FOULKES will administer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper Sunday morning and preach in the evening, on The Fallacies of Some Worldly Maxims," First Presbyterian Church, Alder and

A CUT GLASS NAPPT, St.-During our January clearance sale we offer Z per cent discount on mounted diamonds, gold jewelry, silverware and cut glass Lef-fert's, 272 Washington street.

The meeting, which is open to all men, will be held at 3 o'clock, and Mr. Fisher will tell of Y. M. C. A. work in Japan. This is a topic of special interest in Fortland, as the local association supports a secretary, G. Merle Davis, at Nagasaki, Japan. Mr. Fisher was one of the Y. M. C. A. leaders who attended the recent conference at the White House when more than \$1,000,000 was pledged for the erection of Y. M. C. A. buildings in foreign lands. At the meeting Sunday, Mr. Fisher will also take occasion to review some features of religious work during the past year in Portland. Will sell any part of 300 shares of United Wireless 7 per cent preferred stock, transferred to any name, at 35 per share; need money very badly. V 686. Oregonian.

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SHEEP MEN. ATTENTION.—See Norton's adv. in classified columns under farms. * the sauer kraut. He reported the case to

WOOSTER, the grocer, 408 Wash.

DAVID WITTENBERG CAME TO PORTLAND IN 1862.

With Family He Crossed Plains to Oregon, Arriving Here When City Had but 1500 Population.

The funeral of David Wittenberg, an Oregon ploneer, who died Wednesday afternoon, was held yesterday afternoon at 643 Schuyler street. Burial was in

at 643 Schuyler street. Burini was in Riverview Cemetery.

Mr. Wittenberg came to America from Germany in 1853, at which time he was 27 years old. He was married in De-troit, Mich., from which city he moved to Kansas in 1856. In 1862 he crossed the plains with his wife and three chlidren and located on a homestead which is now within the limits of Woodlawn and Piedmont. His family grew to eight children, all of whom survive him.



neer, Is Buried in Riverview Cemetery.

berg's arrival was a small village of less than 1500 population. The Stark-street ferry was then operated by James Stevens and its source of power was a treadmill. The site of the present City of Portland, with the exception of that portlon contiguous to the water-

front, was covered by a forest.

He engaged in the wood business and various other occupations until 1880, when he retired. He has resided since when he retired. He has resided since with his children. Mrs. Wittenberg died seven years ago. The following children survive: Herman Wittenberg, Mrs. W. H. McMonies, Mrs. S. McMillan, Mrs. F. M. Saunders and Mrs. C. F. Wasserman, all of Portland; Samuel Wittenberg, of Spokane; Edward Wittenberg, of Spokane; Edward Wittenberg, of Seattle, and Mrs. J. Burgoyne, of New Eta, Or.

MERCHANTS' PLEA UPHELD

Socialist Charged With Causing Street Blockade Warned.

Sustaining the new city ordinance with reference to obstruction of the streets, but holding that Socialist speakers had shown a reasonable intent to obey the law, Judge Taxwell in Municipal Court yesterday morning, continued sentence against Tom J. Lewis and two others, In accordance with the provisions of the new building code, Mayor Simon yesterday appointed the following memarrested at Sixth and Washington streets, Wednesday night. The trial was remarkable for the display of tolerant spirit on both sides, not usual in these cases.

Lewis and his companions were ar-rested by Sergeant Cole and Patrolman Lanton, after a protest by business men Mr. Russell is a well-known investor;
Mr. Lewis is a member of the City
Park Board and is an architect, while
Mr. Mason is a builder. The law requires that one member be an architect and another a builder. along the block where the meetings are held, that their business was being ruined by the frequent blockade of the pavement. The defendants showed that they employed some of their associates in keeping passages clear, and that they had moved to this location at the re-quest of police officers, because their former position interfered with the operation of a street-sprinkler. They de-clared their wish to comply with the law and cause as little inconvenience as possible. They expressed the fear that if the merchants were sustained, others, where they might remove, would follow the example, until no place would be left

Judge Tazwall held that the new ordinance was valid and that it had been violated, but gave the speakers a further chance to demonstrate their good inten-

Whenever the builder who is seeking a permit feels that the interpretation of the law, as made by the building inspector, is not fair to him, he will have the right to take his complaint to the Board of Appeals. The decision of the board will be final. At the close of each year the Board of Appeals must make a report to the Council, giving in detail the decisions it has made during the year, and outlining changes in the building laws that it may deem necessary. INJUNCTION NOT REGARDED

Council Sewer Committee Assesses Power Company's Property.

Rights of way belonging to the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company along the proposed extension of Belmont street were ordered assessed for the cost of the East Sixtleth-street sewer by the sewer committee of the Council at its meeting yesterday morning, in spite of the in-junction issued by the United States

Court to prevent the city from inter-fering with the rights of way. The committee was in doubt regarding The committee was in count regarding the legal right of the city to assess the right of way under the present conditions, and City Attorney Grant was appealed to for advice. He said that the city had the right to assess the company for its rights of way, regardless of the injunction. Abrupt change in plans for tomorrow afternoon's meeting in the auditorium of the Portland Young Men's
Christian Association was made last
night by R. R. Perkins, religious work
director, on receiving a telegram announcing that Galen Fisher, National
Y. M. C. A. secretary for Japan, would
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the injunction.

A delegation of people from the North Albina Improvement Club wanted information from the committee regarding the proposed construction of a system of sewers in their district. They were assured that the plans for the sytem were being hurried and would be ready to go to the Council at an early date.

CLEARINGS SOAR

First Week of New Year Shows Total of \$8,506,000.

The first week of the year in the matter of bank clearings started off well for Portland, showing a gain of 10.2 per cent over the volume of busi-ness for the same period last year. The total clearings for the week were \$5.566,000.

\$3,506,000.
Seattle's showing was better than in the past six months, with a total of \$10,609,000, a slight gain over the showing made for the corresponding week of last year.

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gramme-Business Men to Make Trip to North Plains Today.

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of Spokane, Walla Walla and Interme diate points will arrive in Portland this morning at 10 o'clock on the fourth an-nual excursion to California under the auspices of the O.-W. R. & N. Company. Upon their arrival at the Union Depot the visitors will be received by Portland railroad officials and a special committee of the Portland Commercial Club. As guests of the Commercial Club, they will be taken for a trolley ride about the city, and after the trip luncheon will be served them at Hotel Portland at 12:3 served them at Hotel Portland at 12:30 o'clock. During the afternoon the visitors will have an opportunity to see the city and to call on friends. At 8:30 o'clock a dinner will be given at the Hotel Portland, followed by a reception in their honor by the Commercial Club.

The excursionists are scheduled to leave the city at 10 o'clock tonight on their six-day trip through California. The train bearing the party will be one of the finest and most modern in equip-ment ever brought into Portland. The train will be under the supervision of A. MacCorquodale, general agent of the O.-

W. R. & N. at Spokane.
At the same time that the Inland Empire excursion arrives in the city, another excursion, conducted by the United Railexcursion, conducted by the United Rall-ways in courtesy to Portland business men, will leave the city for North Plains. The party will leave the ticket station in the Chamber of Commerce building promptly at 10 o'clock and will make the round trip in five hours. A short programme will be given at North Plains, and on the return trip a stop will be made at Cornelius tunnel to give the guests an opportunity to view the operations there.

PETITIONS NEAR BALLOT

Signatures Pile Up Rapidly for New

The initiative petitions for the pub lic service commission, and for the taxing of the electric and gas lighting and power companies three per cent of their gross earnings will soon have enough signatures to obtain places for them on the ballot next June.

them on the ballot next June.

The committees circulating the petitions report that they are being signed up rapidly. Copies of the petitions are on file at all club meetings. In order to make sure of at least 1000 extra signatures, Ben Riesland, chairman of the general committee, is visiting the push club, and explaining the three measures to the members.

The measures taxing the electric light and gas companies three percent of their gross income are new cent of their gross income are measures and grew out of the public

service commission It was found by the committee that it would cost annually about \$25,000 to operate the public service commission, and to meet this expense it was decided to launch the two tax meas-

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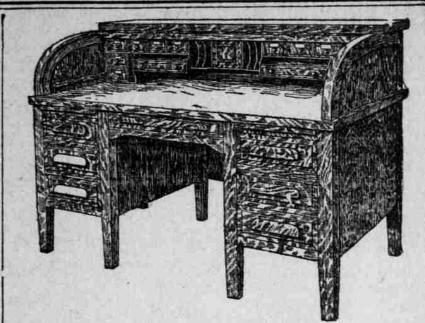
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