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The comic opers. "The charelate Soldier." Tonight at 8.15 orders.

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The Girl of the Golden West." Tonight
at 8:15

rison.—'The Queen of the Mouth and 'The Queen of the Mouth are." Matines at 2115 and tonight at

Sils o'clock.

OF PREUM THEATER—(Morrison, between Sith and Seventhi—Vaudeville. This afternoon at 2:15 and tonight at 8:15.

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

LYRIC THEATER—Seventh and Alder)—Loric Commedy Company. This afternoon at 2:30 and tonight at 7:30 and 9.

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

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Our Documents Never Destroted.—
Replying from Parts to a request for information from City Auditor Barbur regarding the disposal of old public documents in that city, the keeper of such documents says in a letter received yesterday by Mr. Barbur that documents are kept for ready reference for a few years, and then sent to the archives of the Department of the Seine for preservation. The letter was written in French. Letters from other cities show that public documents are never destroyed, no matter how old OLD DOCUMENTS NEVER DESTROYED. never destroyed, no matter how old they may become, and the suggestion that has been made That a law be passed to do away with old documents of this city which seem to be of no further use to the city, may not be fol-

Business Men to Hold Banquet.—The lifth annual banquet and election of officers of the East Side Business Men's officers of the East Side Business Men's Club will be held tonight at the Grand-Avenue Cafeteria, 121 Grand avenue, beginning at 7:10 o'clock. Following is the general programme: Annual address, George T. Atchiev, president election of officers; address, "Responsibilities of Newspapers," C. S. Jackson: "Work of the Portland Chamber Commerce," H. M. Haller: "East Side Mail Service." Postmaster Merrick; "Good Roads," Phil S. Bates: "Why I Did Not Go to Salem," Conneilman Rushlight; "Rights of the People," Rev. George B, VanWaters: "Protection for the East Side," Councilman Rushli; "Legislation." Dan Kellaber and C. A. Bigelow.

Cottage Dwellers Made Homeless.—

COTTAGE DWILLERS MADE HOMELESS.— Fire starting from a defective flue in a five-roomed cottage, at 1330 East Salmon street, at 5:30 o'clock yester-day morning, made homeless Me and Mrs. E. E. Shade, the tenants. Although the Sunnyside fire apparatus made a quick run, the flames had gained such quick run, the tiames had gained such headway that the firemen were unable to control the fire, which reduced the cottage and all its contents to ashes. Mr. and Mrs. Shade escaped narrowly. The house was the property of A. K. Berry, of Ashland. An adjoining cottage was damaged to the extent of about \$150.

PRONEER WOMAN'S FUNERAL HELD.—
The funeral of Mrs. Emma Webber, who died at her home in Sellwood Monday, was beld yesterday at the Portland Crematorium. Mrs. Webber was 68 years old, and had been a resident of Oregon 44 years. The family settled at Coos Bay, where they lived until 12 years ago, when they moved to Portland. Mrs. Webber is survived by her husband, F. S. Webber, and three chil-PIONEER WOMAN'S FUNERAL HELD. husband, F. S. Webber, and three chil-fren: Mrs. Anna Lockwood, of Portland; Mrs. James Ashley, of Brookfield, Wash.; Mrs. L. E. Stevenson, of St. Johns, and Frank Webber, of Portland.

Fungral, of George S. Wilson, Held.

The funeral of George S. Wilson, who fied January 15 at his home, 259 East Forty-seventh street, was held yesterday afternoon. Mr. Wilson was 57 years old and was the husband of Mrs. Helen T. Wilson and father of the following children: Hiram E. Wilson, of New Haven, Conn.; Arthur K. Wilson and Mrs. W. W. Robinson, of Los Angeles, and George T. Wilson, of Portneles, and George T. Wilson, of Portland. Henry J. Wilson was a brother and Mrs. M. C. McCormick a sister.

EAST THIRTY-THIRD STREET TO BE INradvan.-Plans have been drawn for the improvement of East Thirty-third the improvement of East Thirty-third street, between Francis avenue, Kenth-worth, and Powell Valley road. A con-siderable fill will be required, which probably will be paid for by a district assessment. This street is wanted to give the fire engine, which is to be placed in Kenliworth, access to the Waverly-Richmond district, which is without fire protection.

BROOKLYN TO WORK FOR BRIDGE.—The Brooklyn Improvement Club will meet tenight at \$77% Milwaukle street. Among other subjects of importance will be the increasing of the committee which will work for the proposed new South Portland bridge from one to three members. The Waverly-Richmond Club is also taking an active interest in the bridge and at a meetinterest in the bridge and at a meet-ing held Tuesday night indorsed the

ELIOT PARENTS AND TRACHERS TO cle of the Ellet school will meet to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the school. Mrs. Thomas Hawkes will speak on "Parents and Play." "The Psychology of the Colored Supplement" will be discussed and there will be muste and other interesting features. Mothers are especially invited to be

Mus. W. Richten Dies .- Mrs. Wilhelmine Richter is dead at her home, 323 Failing street, at the age of 84 years. She had been a resident of Portland the past 12 years. She was the mother of Fred W. Richter and grandmother of Francis W. Richter. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock

from the residence.

Woodlaws Association Meets Towonkow.—The Woodlawn Improvement Association will hold the next regular meeting at Greene's hall, on Dekum avenue tomorrow at 3 P. M. Councilman Ellis will attend and explain the sewer location and estimate its cost, Committees on firemen and the water main extension will make their reports.

Han from the residence.

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JOHN D. Mann has resumed the practice of law, associated with Julius Silvestone, room 605 Chamber of Commerce.* DIAMONDS.-C. Christensen, second floor Corbett building. Take elevator. HOTEL GEARHART open all the year. Steam heat, but salt baths.

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CITY NEWS IN BRIEF | GRAND JURY INDICES FIVE - Five true | bills and one not true bill were returned in minor criminal cases by the grand jury yesterday. Harry Marlowe and Frank Franklin, said to be pro PRIMA DONNA, HOWEVER, SEES at 8:15.

and Frank Franklin, said to be pro-fessional burgiars, were held on three counts, two of burgiary and one of "assault, being armed with a dangerous weapon." Charles P. Kelly was indicted for assaulting and heating George Holt. William Scott was held for having im-proper pictures in his possession. Jesse B. Davis, charged with the theft of a bathtub and other effects from Simon Bron, was dismissed.

Brom, was dismissed.

CAPTAIN HALLEY CLEARED.—Exoneration of Police Captain Bailey, of charges preferred against him by J. "Hat" Hitchings, was announced by the Police Commissioners yesterday merning, following a hearing of evidence. Tuesday afternoon, Captain Bailey was accused of releasing a young woman who had been arrested at Hitchings' request. Captain Bailey insisted that the charge against him was inspired by Hitchings, who was seeking spired by Hitchings, who was seeking to punish the young woman for refus-ing his attentions.

TRIEF AND FORGER PARGLED.—Jeff E. Stanley, petty thief, and F. H. Lasher, forger, were given a chance to mend their ways when taken before State Circuit Judge McGinn for sentence yesterday, both having been found guilty. Lasher, who is 44 years old, passed several worthless checks. Judge McGinn said that he had no great hopes that Lasher would reform, but that he was going to take a chance on him Stanley stole an overcoat and some trinkets from A. E. Jackson. He promised to behave in the future.

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MOTHERS TO DISCUSS CHILDREN.—The
Vernon Parents and Teachers' Association meets at the school building tomorrow at 1 o'clock. Mrs. W. J. Hawkins will speak on "Best Ways to Tell
Children Certain Truths." Discussion
will follow the address.

NAU'S PHARMACY, formerly in the Portand Hotel, now located at 353 Morrison t between Seventh and Park, have telephones working now, same

Notice to Shippens.—Account flood conditions and locks closed at Oregon City, no freight received. Oregon City Transportation Co., Taylor-street dock.* THE GREATEST PLEASURE OF

ONE THOUSAND CHEGONIANS TODAY Is to read Simpson's "Oregon Rain" from the "Gold-Gated West." DB. STEAMAN will speak on "Foods and Nutrition," at 491 Alder st., tonight at 8 o'clock. Admission free.

NEW RAIL ROUTE SOUGHT

Suggestion Made for Mt. Hood Line to Use Broadway Tracks.

In search of a new route for the Mount Hood Rallway into the heart of the city, members of the street committee of the Council, several inter-ested citizens and promoters of the ested citizens and promoters of the road took an automobile ride through the eastern part of Portland yester-day morning, but no change in the route was decided upon. A further consideration of the proposed route change will be had at the regular meeting of the street committee next Friday afternoon.

The proposed route along Halsey

Friday afternoon.

The proposed route along Halsey and Weldler streets has met with much opposition from interested propertyowners. It has been suggested that an effort be made to allow the road to operate down Broadway along the line of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, but there is no law that can force the traction com-pany to permit another line to run over its tracks. The application of

Agitation by Carmen Likely to Prompt Better Vehicle Ordinance.

It is believed steps taken by streeten men to have the city pass laws to keep vehicles out of danger from streetcars probably will cause the drawing of a down-to-date traffic ordinance, similar to laws in effect in the larger cities of the East, and those which are said to prevent many accidents in Los An-

geles and San Francisco.

Among the more important features of such an ordinance are special provisions for the congested districts of the city, where wagons and automobiles can be where wagons and automostics can be left for only a limited time in one place, and where all vehicles must keep to the right of the street, unless it is necessary to cross the thoroughfare.

The carmen have outlined a number of suggestions for regulating vehicles, but have failed to ask any change in

the laws which will make the control of streetears more restricted.

DENTIST IS ACQUITTED

Licensed Man Picked as Practitioner, R. T. Brennan Cleared.

R. T. Brennan, a dentist, was acquitted in the Municipal Court yester-day afternoon of practicing his pro-fession without a license. The case fession without a license. The case was pressed by the State Board of Dental Examiners.

Brennan told the court that he was a graduate of Queen's College, Man-chester, England, and is licensed to practice in California. Attorney Fowler, representing the defendant, repeated his charge, made the day before in Justice Court in the case of Dr. Edwards, that a dental trust exists in

Oregon Prosecution of Brennan failed because the prosecuting witness identified Dr. E. L. Ross as the dentist who had done the work, although Bren-nan indorsed the check given in pay-ment. Dr. Ross is a licensed dentist.

MASONS WILL ENTERTAIN

Scottish Rite to Have Social Evening at Cathedral.

The Scottish Rite will entertain members and women at the Cathedral. Seventeenth and Lownsdale streets, to-morrow night. The grand march will begin promptly at 8:45 o'clock. Cards will be played in the east pariors and refreshments will be served from 10 to 12 in the small banquet hall. The committee in charge for the

12 in the small banquet hall.

The committee in charge for the evening is composed of the following members of the order: C. C. Newcastle, chairman; H. L. Pittock, H. P. Palmer, Robert Krohn, D. G. Tomasini, G. B. Cellars, H. L. Chapin, Fred Gullette, R. A. Miller, J. K. Locko, V. A. Avery, W. Y. Masters, J. E. Werlein J. J. Kadderly, C. S. Hosmer, John Annand, R. W. Schmeer, Richard Martin, J. H. Mackenzie, Robert S. Farrell. kenzle, Robert S. Farrell.

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NO REMEDY. Bohemian Prima Donna, However,

Recognizes Temptation to Use Idiomatic English,

Madame Kopetaky, the prima donna with "The Chocolate Soldfer" at the Hellig this week, thinks American wouse too much slang.

"And it's such an easy matter, this falling into the habit of using incorrect English," she said yesterday. is most deplorable, but there seems to be no remedy; nor in fact is one desired, apparently, for each year the use of picturesque and idiomatic English

"I grant you," she smiled roguishly, "that the American slang is most expressive, and it simply grows on one,



Madame Kopetzky, Prima Douna With "The Chocolate Soldier," Who Observes That American Women Use Slang Too Freely.

but I should count it a great disaster if it ever fastened its clutches upon me." Madame speaks beautifully, in a clear, well modulated voice, and her exquisite English, devoid of any ac-cent, is a positive delight to hear. In view of this fact, it is interesting to learn that the songstress is Bohemian, with Prague as her birthplace. "I was only 8 when I came over here," she continued. "I learned Eng-

lish rapidiy, but until I was 14 years old my accent was so pronouncedly Teuton that my schoolmates called me 'Dutchy, Dutchy Sauer Kraut.' I be-lieve that any foreigner who learns the English language finds for himself a better and larger choice of words, and has for that reason a more comprehensive vocabulary. When I learned Italian I took the same particular pains to use it in only its highest and purest form, just as I took only fine things out of the English I've carned. I leave the slang and doubt-

ful phrases for others.
"As a result, I speak Italian quite as fuently as Englishe and both as readily as my mother tongue. Several years ago in Italy I appeared with a company, among which I was the only non-Italian. Imagine, then, my surprised delight to read in the papers an account of a young Italian actress, Anna Kopetzky. Was not that amusing?"

Madame Kopetzky believes women Madame Kopetzky believes women

should smoke if they care to. "Personally, I don't care for smokshe said, "but I have lived the that each was saying to herself, 'Poor thing, she doesn't smoke because it, makes her ill.' And I wished I could have told them that it didn't make me ill, that I had tried smoking once, and when I found I didn't careful the william Cramer, antecedents unill, that I had tried smoking once, and when I found I didn't care for it that there was nothing to it either one way or another, I very easily went without it. I suppose, if I cared to smoke I would do so. The great objectionable thing about it is this smoking by women in public places, dining-rooms, some theaters, cafes and hotels. If women must smoke, I believe it should be done in privacy, where they attract no attention and let them do it in shirtwaists and short skirts. This smok-ing in evening dress and jewels makes of it a vice rather than the sedutive and tonic most women smokers assume the habit to be."

the habit to be."

Madame Kopetzky said she found Portland audiences very responsive.

"I love to sing when they are so delightfully cordial," she said. "They do not make a lot of big noises and how, but they just ait back and titter quietly. We hear it over the footlights and it makes us glad."

Last night's was the 140th performance of "The Chocolate Soldier" since

ance of "The Chocolate Soldier" since the season opened in early September. Madams Kopetrky never has sung at any matinees of the production, an understudy going on in these instances. But on Saturday afternoon in response to many requests that have come to Mr. Hellig she will break her rule and will sing the role of Nadine.

Northwestern President Coming.

A. W. Harris, of Chicago, president of Northwestern University, will be in Portland February 4, 5 and 6. He is making the tripato the Coast on a visit to the alumni. The alumni of Portland will give an informal dinner in his bonor the night of February 4. honor the night of February 4. For-mer students of Northwestern will there greet Dr. Harris.

High School to Give New Play.

The Associated Student Body of the Washington High School will put on a play in the assembly hall of the school tomorrow and Saturday nights. "Hicks tomorrow and Saturday nights. "Hicks at College" has been chosen as the ve- Main 7218. Portland, Oregon

hicle this year and promises to surpass the "Toastmaster," which was given last year. Three new pieces of scenery have been painted. A musical pro-gramms will be given by the high school orchestra. The curtain will rise

FEATURE MANY

'His Trust" at the Star Best of All Civil War Pictures.

Those who braved the storm and visted the picture palaces of the People's Amusement Company were repaid. The Star Theater has on exhibition its best bill. The Arcade has a real feature; the Oh Joy's show was clever, clean and entertaining; the Odeon's picturesque and strong, while at the Tivoli the same tremendous biograph as was run at the

tremendous biograph as was run at the Star was the feature.

"His Trust," biograph's latest and most pretentious picture, is sure to be talked about and it is worthy of extended criticism. The scene is laid on a Southern plantation during the Civil War. The brave Confederate called to the front leaves his fair wife and babe "in trust" to a lusty and faithful negro, who swears eternal tidelity. The master meets death after the most realiswho swears eleman index, the most realister meets death after the most realistic skirmish and battle ever depicted in a photoplay. The imagination is filled with every possible detail of actual war. A rude soldier bearing the dead soldier's sword brings home the awful tidings, common but not robbed of its tragic intensity. Upon the very heels of this the house is sacked and the picture shows the actual burning of this Southern mansion and the rescue of the girl by the faithful and unselfish black. With no roof overhead, the proud Southern woman must needs take shelter in the rude hut of the negro down in negro quarters, and the cur-tain falls on the darkey lying down to sleep guarding his mistress and her babe, with his body across the threshold of the cabin. Every part in the silent drama is played by a master and every detail is there with unusual perfec-tion. The sequel to this, "His Trust Fulfilled," will be the feature at the Star and Tivoli next Sunday.

CAT SHOW OPENS TODAY

Many Outside Entries Attest Interest Being Shown.

en at Meier & Frank's store today is so wide that entries have been made from Denver, Victoria, B. C.; Seattle,

Medford, Hood Hiver and many other outside points.

Almost 200 cats have been entered, and if the 200 mark is reached it will be a three-point show, one of the largest of its kind ever held in Portland. Native cats will be well represented and there will be some handsome thor-The show will open at 11 oughbreds. o'clock this morning and continue three

JUDGE CANCELS PATENT Harney County Tract Illegally Re-

claimed, He Declares. Federal Judge Bean has cancelled the patent to a piece of land in Harney County, taken up under the desert land act by Rose C. Sitz, now Rose C. Kern.

Laura A. Dickinson appeared for her as a witness when she proved up on the its land. Judge Bean decided that part of the Judge Bean decided that part of the land is overflowed annually by Silvies River or Malheur Lake, and that the remainder was not reclaimed within the meaning of the desert land act. Proof submitted by claimants did not accurately state the facts, he

THREE TAKE OWN LIVES

Revolvers Used by All of Suicides of Past 24 Hours.

greater part of my life among women who do it. In London all the society women smoke. Once I sat in a huge dining-room filled with guests and I was the only woman not smoking. I felt, as they eyed me commiseratingly.

Sixth street Tuesday.

The body of an unknown man, grasp-

known, was found dead in bed at the Cosmopolitan House, 51 North Third street, revolver in hand yesterday.

WHERE TO DINE

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the committee on arrangements have word immediately from those members who have not yet responded, advising definitely whether or not they can at-The searchers first found a deer hung tend the reunion.

DOGS GUARD OVER BODY Searchers Find Faithful Canines Watching When They Come.

SCAPPOOSE, Or., Jan. 18. - Albert Lange, aged 22 years, son of Gustave Lange, a prominent farmer, was found dead in the woods Sunday evening with his two hunting dogs keeping watch over the body, by a searching party. He was lying on his back with his feet crossed

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Bulletin No. 21 not invest where the laws are so framed as to imperil investments; and labor cannot find employment where business and property are not safe under the law. Instead of peace and con-

tentment, there will be hunger and misery, where the laws are uncertain and unfair. Oregon has been enjoying a most prosperous era. It has had the good fortune to attract capital in vast sums to aid its development. Whether this shall continue is for the people to decide. For under the present system of law-making there is great danger that the tendency toward enactment of foolish and ill-considered laws, proposed by visionaries and irresponsible agitators, will effectually drive capital out of the state

by making its investment here unprofitable. The interests of labor and capital are identical in this matter, and there is no surer way to restore the soup-kitchen and the receiver than to make it unprofitable to carry on business

Stability has been secured in the states of the Union by written constitutions, which, under the old method, yield slowly to change by amendment. The proud record of growth and development in our country is due in no small degree to the sense of security under the constitution that has made it possible to go forward with great commercial enterprises guaranteed and safeguarded against confiscation. But now in Oregon our constitution may be amended by a minority of the voters at any election, and indeed has been repeatedly so amended since the new system has been in use. These changes are vital and radically after the fundamental law, so that security becomes danger,

and confidence yields to fear. Who prepares these amendments to the constitution and laws? Does anyone know what they are until they have been actually filed and made ready to be printed upon the ballot? Is there any public meeting at which the measures are carefully considered, dispassionately discussed and anxiously scrutinized word by word and sentence by sentence and there need deter-

No, the voter is not consulted beforehand. Interested and oftentimes irresponsible men turn out these radical proposals in final form and the voter is expected to accept or reject the whole complex and confusing pronouncement and to vote yes or no upon it, without opportunity for amendment. Nay, most voters must vote upon it without familiarity with its contents, being guided by the title alone, as it appears on the ballot. The very title is often misleading, and many a man votes for or against a principle which he fancies is expressed by the title

without knowing that he is voting directly contrary to his convictions. At the last election the voters cast their votes upon 32 different measures printed by short title upon the election ballot. Many of these measures were proposed amendments to the If Oregon is to maintain its dignity and prosperity it must take steps to secure more deliberation in its popular exercise of the law-making power. Unless the citizens awake to the dangers of wholesale and hasty legislation, and curtail and

limit the laws thus voted upon, it takes no prophet to foretell the inevitable disaster that is at hand. Earnest men, patriotic men, must come forward quickly and take counsel how to remedy the evil that menaces the state, A few men, some of them impractical visionaries, some egotistical and all-wise bone-heads, some scheming demagogues, are turning out laws like a Hindu grinds out prayers with his prayer wheel. They must be shorn of this power before it is too late, for it is easier to ruin the prosperity of the state than to force capital to invest where the laws are unstable and unjust.

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