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AMUSEMENTS

HELLO THEATER—(7th and Taylor)—Montgomery & Stone in the musical comedy, "The Old Town," at 8:15 and 10:15 and tonight at 8:15 o'clock.

BAKER THEATER—(Seventh and Morrison)—George and the comedy, "The Boy's Life," Matinee at 2:15 and tonight at 8:15.

OPHEUM THEATER—(Morrison, between Sixth and Seventh)—Vaudeville. The afternoon at 2:15 and tonight at 8:15.

PANTASCO THEATER—(Seventh and Alder)—Vaudeville. This afternoon at 2:15 and tonight at 8:15.

LYRIC THEATER—(Fourth and Stark)—Musical comedy, "The School Girl." This afternoon at 2:15 and tonight at 7:30 and 9:15.

STAR ARCADE ON JOY OCEAN TIVOLI—First-run picture, "I. A. M.-12 P. M."

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E. A. LYDSE FURNERAL HELD.—The funeral services of E. A. Lydse, a former contractor, who died at the family residence, 474 East Ash street, December 22, were conducted yesterday morning by the Masonic order from Holman's chapel. Interment was made in River-view Cemetery. Mr. Lydse was 47 years of age and had been in the contracting and building business in Portland for the past 25 years. He was a member of Portland Lodge, No. 142, Scottish Rite; Harmony Lodge, No. 12, Masons and Myrtle Chapter, No. 15, Order Eastern Star, and members of these orders attended the services. The services were held under the direction of Harmony Lodge. There was a large attendance of friends and many beautiful floral pieces were received. Mr. Lydse built many prominent buildings in Portland.

MINING TEST PLANTS ON TAPE.—At a meeting of the Oregon State Miners' Association, to be held tonight in the rooms of the Portland Press Club in the new building, the members discussed the advisability of establishing test plants in mining districts in this state which will be presented in a series of addresses. The interior has made a recommendation to Congress that test plants be established in mining districts of considerable extent to ascertain the type of machinery to be used in extracting values from the ore. Among the speakers at tonight's meeting will be Jay Beckman, C. J. Jackson, C. W. Riddell, L. D. Mahons and S. Geisbeek. Those interested are invited to attend.

POSTOFFICE BACK TO NORMAL.—Normal conditions will prevail at the Portland Postoffice today after the Christmas congestion. It was only delayed mails from the East that caused the little delay from the usual business. Postmaster Merrick says that it was a pleasure to watch the Postoffice force work in every department as there was no strike or other disturbance prevailing that hastened the deliveries. "Last but far from least," he said, "was the work of the carriers. Never have they been so taxed. As far as reported very few mistakes were made and I am very grateful that the public has appreciated what this office has tried to do."

PRISONERS DISCUSS SERMONS.—The semiannual dinner of the Fortnightly Medical Club was held at the Hazelwood last night, with all the members present. Dr. L. W. Hyde, president of the club, presided. A paper on "Sermon Therapy" was read by Dr. John Sellwood, superintendent of the Sellwood Hospital. He discussed the influence of the dinner. Members of the club in attendance were Doctors L. W. Hyde, William F. Amos, John Sellwood, George J. Johnson, H. B. Burt, H. Johnson, C. J. McCusker, George P. Koehler, W. R. Holden, H. M. Greene, Frederick A. Kiehle and H. G. Parker. Dr. John Benson was present as a guest.

PUBLIC CHRISTMAS TREE AT LEVENS.—A public Christmas tree will be given at the Grange hall in Levens tonight under the auspices of the Levens Improvement Association. The tree is mainly for the children of the district who may have been left out during Christmas. Every child whose parents have been unable to provide for their little ones will be remembered on this occasion. Candy, nuts and presents will be distributed by a real Santa Claus. The merchants in the suburbs have been very liberal, but all who desire to help may do so by sending some money to the committee, or leaving donations at the office of the Bright Realty Company.

TRAVELERS' ASSOCIATION TO HOLD DANCE.—The United Commercial Travelers' Association will give a social at the Selling-Hirsch building on the night of December 29. Nearly all of the 250 members are expected to be present as the greater part is in the city for the holidays. The first part of the evening will be spent in initiation by the building committee of the Western Presbyterian Church yesterday and masonry on the new church building to be erected on the block bounded by East Sixteenth, Schuyler, East Seventeenth and Hancock streets. Plans and specifications were completed by January 1. The building will cost approximately \$100,000 and will be one of the finest church structures in the city.

CHURCH GIVES ENTERTAINMENT.—St. Paul's Episcopal Church at Woodmere, on the Mount Scott Railway, gave an entertainment last night at the Woodmere Hall. Mrs. Frank Leonard Koonce, a well-known elocutionist, gave several selections. Among her numbers was a Christmas reading. The children took part in the entertainment. The church prepared a box of good things for the children in Good Samaritan Hospital.

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ELECTRIC LIGHTS FOR FAIRVIEW.—Representatives from the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company will attend a meeting of the people of Fairview December 29 to discuss the matter of lights. The company has made an offer to supply electric lights.

IF YOU ARE A SHIPPER OF freight from San Francisco to Portland or are looking for a paying investment, you can buy some stock in a 120-ton steam schooner soon to be constructed. For particulars address O 679, Oregonian.

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CHEAPER PAYMENT IS ASKED.—Property owners on East Glisan, between East Sixteenth and East Eighty-second streets, desire that street be paved, but do not want to be taxed too heavily for the improvement. They have asked City Engineer Hurlburt, through a committee from the Montavilla Board of Trade, to recommend a pavement that will not cost more than they can pay.

A hard-surface improvement is preferred to macadam. It is proposed to mark the street and lay the sewers in the parking so the pavement will not have to be torn up when the general sewer system for that district is constructed. If it is thought that it will be three or four years before the sewer system can be built, but by laying sewers in the parking it will not be necessary to wait and the improvement can be made next year. The property owners hope to get an improvement that will cost from \$1.50 to \$1.60 per square yard, to harmonize with the improvement laid in Laurelhurst.

WORKMAN ASKS \$10,000.—John Thomas Corcoran is the plaintiff in a suit, now in progress in the United States Circuit Court, against the Pacific Bridge Company to recover \$10,000 damages for personal injuries received while in the employ of the defendant. He alleges that his leg was broken and rendered useless for life. The defendant company declares his injuries were the result of his own negligence and carelessness. If a grant of the case will be given to the jury some time today.

WORK ON CHURCH PROCEEDS.—Architect E. F. Lawrence was authorized by the building committee of the Western Presbyterian Church yesterday to accept bids for the stonework and masonry on the new church building to be erected on the block bounded by East Sixteenth, Schuyler, East Seventeenth and Hancock streets. Plans and specifications were completed by January 1. The building will cost approximately \$100,000 and will be one of the finest church structures in the city.

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