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AMUSEMENTS.

HEILIG THEATER—(Eleventh and Morrison)—The drama, "The Confession." Tonight at 8:15.

ORPHEUM THEATER—(Seventh and Taylor)—Oglethorpe vaudeville. This afternoon at 2:15 and tonight at 8:15.

BAKER THEATER—(Seventh and Morrison)—Baker players in "The Virginian." Tonight at 8:15.

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

EMPIRE THEATER—(Park and Washington)—Vaudeville. This afternoon at 2:15 and tonight at 8:15.

LYRIC THEATER—(Fourth and Stark)—Kodak and Pantomime. Tonight at 8:15.

PEOPLES STAR ARCADE, 101 JOY TIVOLI AND CRISTAL—First-run pictures. 11 A. M. to 12 P. M.

MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION MEETING.—Representatives from the Oregon Manufacturers Association and those of the Portland branch met at the home of Mrs. J. H. Young, president of the Oregon Manufacturers Association, at 2:30 p. m. today.

Several thousand people interested in the extension of the use of Oregon-made products are expected to attend from all parts of Washington County.

Speakers will be J. H. Young, president of the Oregon Manufacturers Association; Mrs. E. T. Wetherill, who has been a field agent for the association in the home industries movement; Phil S. Bates and Hofer. Stereoscopic slides will be used to illustrate the lectures.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY HAS NEW HOME.—A home has at last been provided for the Oregon Historical Society and it will be moved into the Courthouse early next week from the City Hall. The entire collection of materials, which is a valuable one, will be removed from the city building beginning Monday, and a total of 15 offices will be vacated there.

The County Treasurer and Assessor also going to the Courthouse. The city's rapid growth made it necessary for this move to occur and the rooms will be used by city departments which require them.

J. H. YOUNG TO ADDRESS ENGINEERS.—"Electrification of the Railways in Oregon" will be the subject of an address to be given today by J. H. Young, president of the Hill Lines, who is to be the guest of honor at the regular luncheon of the Architects and Engineers Association. The affair will take place at the Portland Hotel at 12:15 and a large attendance is anticipated. H. R. Wakeman, president of the local branch of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, will preside as toastmaster.

NORTH ALBINA LIBRARY GETS CURIOUS.—H. L. Hald, living at 1036 Albina avenue, will place on exhibition in the new North Albina library, which is located at the intersection of Commercial and Commercial streets, a large collection of curios which he gathered in his trips over the different countries of the world. Mr. Hald has intended to place these articles in the library since it was decided to build, and he will explain the articles and when they are open to students from the public schools.

RETAIL MERCHANTS TO MEET.—The annual meeting and banquet of the Portland Retail Merchants Association will be held tomorrow night at the Imperial Hotel. Election of officers and discussion of several features of business policy and proposed legislation will be held. The minimum wage bill and the attitude of the retail merchants toward the movement to eliminate the trading stamp from their business will be important in the discussion.

MARQUESS HEARS OF ONE \$10,000.—By the will of Edmund Amundson Marzke, who died January 3 leaving an estate valued at \$10,000, his heirs share in equal amounts. The beneficiaries are: Albert A. Marzke, Mary R. Guth, Elizabeth Kitzler and Lena R. Ritter, sons and daughters; Albert V. Marzke, a grandson; Henry Huslage, a stepson; and Esther Huslage, a granddaughter. The estate consists of \$9250 in notes secured by mortgages and \$495.60 cash in bank. August Guth is executor.

MRS. REGINA MARQUART'S FUNERAL HELD.—Funeral services of Mrs. Regina Marquart, who died January 10, at the family residence, 4404 East Sixty-fifth street, South East Side, was conducted yesterday from St. Ignace Church, Powell and East Forty-third street. Interment was made in Mount Calvary cemetery. Mrs. Marquart was 64 years of age.

ROTARY CLUB SPEAKERS NAMED.—J. A. Curry, A. S. Patullo and W. A. Montgomery will be speakers at the luncheon of the Portland Rotary Club in the ladies' dining-room of the Commercial Club today. Announcements for the annual celebration of the Rotary Club are out setting the date for January 28.

LINCOLN ALUMNAE TO MEET.—At the next meeting of the Portland Lincoln High School Alumnae Association, which will be held in the auditorium of the new Lincoln High School this evening, plans for their annual ball will be discussed. All members are urged to attend the meeting.

UNION MEETINGS HELD THIS WEEK.—Union special meetings will be held every night during the week at the First United Evangelical Church. Led's Addition. The First English Evangelical church, Rev. F. B. Culver, pastor, will assist Rev. C. C. Polling, in these services.

TEMPERANCE UNION TO BE ORGANIZED.—There will be a Woman's Christian Temperance Union organization meeting for the central East Side district, at the home of Mrs. Richardson, 900 East Planders street, today at 2 P. M. All are welcome. A good programme has been arranged.

PLAYERS SOLLARS IS BURIED.—The funeral of Fayette Sollars, who died January 10, at his residence, 733 Vaughn street, was held yesterday from the chapel of Finley & Son, the funeral being at Mount Scott Park cemetery. Mr. Sollars was 40 years old at the time of his death.

ROBERT JAMES PATTERSON BURIED.—The funeral services of Robert James Patterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Patterson, of 231 Adams street, were held yesterday from the residence, interment being at Mount Scott Park cemetery.

IMPROVEMENT CLUB TO MEET.—The Rosemead and Hancock Improvement Club will meet at their headquarters, East Thirty-ninth and Broadway, this evening. The election of officers and special business will be transacted.

JUST A FEW DAYS MORE.—I will give, for a limited time, special inducements in ladies' suits of our regular imported materials and linings. Suits \$30, long coats \$40, Gurney, fourth floor, Mohawk bldg. Third and Morrison.

I. C. S. SUNDAY SCHOOL.—The I. C. S. Fraternity will hold its regular meeting in room 505, McKay building, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. January 15th beginning lectures on mathematics and mechanics.

"THE CITY TO BE" IS TOPIC.—"The City to Be" is the title of a free illustrated lecture to be given by the Kenilworth Improvement Club at the Kenilworth Presbyterian Church, 8 o'clock this evening.

AFTER JANUARY 15 the Colonial circulating library will be located at 2015 7th st., bet. Taylor and Salmon.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING.—The First Unitarian Society will be held this evening following a supper at 6:30.

ALL JEWELRY sold at greatly reduced price during January at Aronson's.

LANTERN SLIDES, offered Main 5872.

JANUARY jewelry reductions. Aronson's.

New Bills Open at the Vaudeville Houses

Lyric.

B. E. Bean soup and numerous and diverse husbands form a humorous plot for "Mile Chicken," a concoction of musical comedy hilarity at the Lyric Theater. Bean soup provides the vehicle and several clever men and women supply the laughs.

To attempt to tell the story of "Mile Chicken" would leave the reader floundering in a sea of enigmas. It is so mixed up, scrambled and otherwise distorted that an effort to make sense of it would result in a worse jumble of words than the original playlet. Suffice to say that "Mile Chicken" is so burlesque that it furnishes a laugh every second.

Ed Allen claims unstinted approval with his grotesque characterization of General Puffupski, a role as ridiculous and funny as it is new. The General marries a woman. The woman has a past. The past is copiously sprinkled with husbands. Bean soup was responsible for the husbands.

Puffupski is informed that each and every one of his predecessors in the affections of the much-widowed woman were heavily insured in favor of the wife. Therefore, it seems to the General that she made a business of gathering husbands and shooting them down the chute via the bean soup route.

In his effort to evade the seemingly fatal results from eating bean soup, the General goes through a series of situations that sets the audience howling with glee.

Several other characters, including a bellboy who persists in singing and a charming young gallant who attempts to monopolize the spot light form the background for the General.

Interesting and instructive motion pictures, dealing with the life of the Pope, the post office and the Catholic Church, and scenes of interest precede the musical comedy. Several songs of entertaining nature make the show worth while.

Orpheum.

BY LEON CARR BAER. MARTIN BECK'S enthusiasm has for once carried him considerably away and beyond good judgment. The Jersey Lily falls far short of expectation as an individual and as an actress.

Her sketch "The Test" is a pathetic putting together of words—arriving after an unprofitable and wholly uninteresting half hour at an insane climax—with Mrs. Langtry swooning on a specially prepared swooning receptacle of roses which she has been placed in a spot light and the exact center of the otherwise well appointed drawing room.

"The Test" is another of the inevitable and eternal triangle—plotless, starting with nothing and arriving at nothing. There's a boyish lover who kisses the Lily, a large hand and whines about "the vastness of his love."

There's the husband, so deadly polite to his wife he seems more like a friend than a husband and when his wife—being made love to by the aforementioned boyish affinity, and instead of creating a rough-house and kicking the bidders around he is further charged that Long's bid was not the lowest.

Edward Griffith, brother of Franklin T. Griffith, counsel for the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, was accidentally killed with his own shot-gun at the grounds of a San Francisco club on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Griffith, who was about 45 years of age and married, visited in Portland only two weeks ago. Mr. and Mrs. Griffith of Portland, left Sunday night for San Francisco to attend the funeral.

Mr. Griffith had lived in San Francisco nearly all his life, and at the time of his death was manager for a rubber company in that city. He was a member of a gun club, and on Saturday afternoon, with a number of friends, went out for a practice shoot. While breaking his gun the trigger caught in the weeds and the contents of one instant entered his side. Death was instantaneous.

When Mrs. Langtry isn't busy doing any or all of these, she prowls about the room, displaying her gown and a pair of very fine shoulder blades. She is deep of voice and heavy of tread, and has a pretty habit of conversing only to the first five rows in the audience. The rest of the bill is good, and none of the actors seem to be on the bill with Lady De Bathie, and do their work just as well as if the other celebrity were a real one like Eva Tanguay.

Lola, a dainty little Indian girl, a descendant of the Sioux, is a marvel in demonstrating the science of telepathy. She reads her foster father's mind in amazing quickness as he travels about in the audience gathering articles. There is absolutely no system used—As Lola—with her lovely big eyes—looked in quick succession at the program, addresses, and tells instantly the name of any object her father touches.

Roxy La Rocca, a nice immaculate chap, plays classical and "classy" selections on a great big golden harp, and makes himself a favorite with the audience by his somewhat different dancing and singing act of good taste and Frank Work and Jewel Play are a duo of acrobatic jesters who distribute mirth and novelty of a high order. George Barry and Maud Wolford sing a lot of tuneful compositions all their own, and Louis Stone is an actor who plays a variety of roles, steps with his head on the floor most of the time.

Empress.

CHARLES CHAPLIN as Archibald Blinks, at the Empress this week, makes "a hit" and incidentally is hit several times while being initiated into the order of "The Wow Wows." He is a clever chap and is supported by an excellent company, who present a little three-act comedy, depicting a night in an English Secret Society. The scenery is realistic, representing a camp on the Thames and later the interior of the cabaret of the "Wow Wows." Among those supporting Chaplin are Charles Cardon, Tom Walker, Stan Jefferson, Amy Forrest, Ethel Hurley and Charles Griffiths.

"The Wow Wows" is the farce comedy skit that is one of the attractions on the bill this week. In it Jack Spades, in the person of Mr. Rennie, is supposed to drop dead and as he lies in state he hears his wife order him a first-class funeral and for herself a third-class mourning gown. A chain of funny incidents transpire until the moment when Jack comes to life, remarking that "it is good for a man to die occasionally to find out what people think of him."

The Three Alex are gymnasts of unusual daring and make their audiences fairly gasp with their fearlessness. Inez Lawson plays several trumpet solos, her music and appearance both being charming.

Helen and Glad, the Yankee and the Swede, are looking for a sweetheart and the other for a "yob," sing and play and crack jokes that are new.

Harry Sauber, in original "songs and patter," is a scream. His Jewish character studies are packed with a little bit of intellect and of that heart-to-heart quality of her art that makes her the idol of the American public today.

W. S. Sterling, a veteran traveling salesman who lived many years in Portland, died at the home of his son,

E. B. Sterling, at Los Angeles, Saturday night. The body probably will be brought here for burial. F. N. Kaylock, general agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad, received advice yesterday of his death. Mr. Sterling was about 55 years old and besides his widow and his son in California, is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Detweiler, and a son, Gordon Sterling, both of Myrtle Point. He was well known through the Northwest, as he had traveled over the territory extensively. His last employment was with W. J. Van Schuyver & Co.

Transfer of Army Pay Station Means \$1,000,000 Yearly Difference.

Although the change whereby the Army pay office was removed from Portland to Seattle last November attracted little attention at first and was not expected to have any material effect in this city, it is announced in business circles the city that it will make a difference of approximately \$1,000,000 in the Portland bank clearances.

Not only has the money been diverted from Portland which formerly passed through its banks for payment of troops stationed at Fort Stevens, Columbia, George Wright and Boise Barracks, but an additional sum of approximately \$200,000 a year has been diverted because discharged soldiers who formerly signed their final papers in Portland now go to Seattle to do so.

It has also been a source of uneasiness among local business men to receive the announcement that Army engineers are preparing to draw plans for the conversion of Fort Lawton, near Seattle into a Brigade post. If the change is made it may, it is feared, draw away much of the strength that is now stationed at the Vancouver Barracks. It was, however, announced by General Wood, when he was in this city recently, that such changes, if carried out, will have no effect to reduce Vancouver Barracks, but that he will favor, if anything, the enlargement of the post.

Germany is learning to eat American grape fruit.

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