MAN OF MYSTERY REFUSES TO TALK

Detectives to Communicate With Alleged Women Victims of H. M. Hudson.

LACES AND LINGERIE FOUND

Complete Assortment of Expensive and Stylish Raiment of Member of Fair Sex Discovered in Prisoner's Trunk.

Standing mute while detertives are working at the top of their energy to trace his recent movements and his alleged fraudulent transactions with from a dozen to a score of women. H. M. Hudson, the story of whose arrest was told exclusively in The Oremonian yesterday, presents an attitude of mystery which only time can shake. Pending investigation, he is held in \$1000 cash ball on a charge of wearing an Elka emblem to which he is not

"Nothing to say." said the handsome young prisoner, scarce taking the trou-ble to roll over on his bunk, at the County Jali yesterday. And he ad-bered to a programme of slicace to the

Hudson is one of the class of mentile tailors describe as "particular." On his bureau in the private house where he lodged, was every little refinement of the tollet, even to a sizable bottle of perfume: silver-mounted accessories and all that goes with them. The perfume even permeated the large jar of high-priced tobacco he kept at his elbow. His clothing in all its details was in keeping. was in keeping.

At strange variance with these ap-pearances and with his claim to the title of a literary man, was documen-tary evidence that he had sought, less than a month ago, a berth as plumber or steamfitter in the Philippine service.

Women's Apparel in Trunks, Beyond the messer belongings of a dressy rover, none of the effects which Detectives Hyde and Vaughn found in Detectives Hyde and Vaughn found in a large and heavy trunk were masculine. Instead the big hox contained a complete assortment of the apparel of a stylish woman, every garment expressing disregard of cost. Hudson avers that he has had no woman traveling with him, but refuses to explain his possession of the finery. The completeness of the assortment betokens, the officers say, that it was the property of some one woman who either traveled with Hudson, or suffered the rrty of some one woman who either traveled with Hudson, or suffered the

traveled with Hudson, or suffered the loss of her entire outfit. Hudson has traveled far and wide and stayed at the most exclusive reports, if his collection of hotel stationery may be taken as evidence. Souvenir bits, streetear transfers and printed matter connect him with a variety of places from New York to Cheyenne and all along the Pacific Coast. The frequent recurrence of pictures of a boy about 4 years old, in his effects, leads the officers to believe that the child is his son. In one picture he is shown beside a handsome woman of middle age.

That Hudson has posed hitherto as

That Hudson has posed hitherto as a member of fraternal orders is indiated by the discovery of a Masonic emblem in one of his old hats.

Pragment of Letter Found.

One bit of evidence which may prove significant is a torn scrap of a letter, found between the leaves of a maganine. It says: —anything to me, as I sam working for an honest living. Hoping I have made you understand what I have stated." It is signed M. McGrath, but the stated. It is signed M. McGrath, but the stated is a stated. It is signed M. McGrath, but the stated is a stated. It is signed M. McGrath, but the stated is a stated of state of state

Largely Attended.

School auditorium, and, before a larger that reason I do not hesitate to say that no such transaction is contempereding night fairly outdid themselves.

Their songs went with a snap that called for encore after encore, and the four end men. Bromberg, Kidwell, Edisand Morrow, introduced a series of new bits of by-play into their parts that made a particular hit with the students in the audience, for many of the jokes had a distinctly local application, and neither teachers nor students were spared from their shafts of wit.

The olio, with its recruiting station skit, the trombone quartet, Phillips and Ganong in blackface songs and dances, and Kidwell and the humorous William Edris in their song skit went excel-

Edris in their song skit went exceliently. Edris in his rapid-change character work in the song skit, from
lishin character to "cruzy," and then
to English dandy, was far above the

plan of the Woodlawn Club. Secretary Cook said yesterday that the plan is to ask the Council to make an appropriation to clean out the intake.

We feel that this is the first step toward opening Columbia Slough for sewerage, said Secretary Cook, but it will not interfere with the plans of the North Portland Commercial Club in forming a drainage district. If we are to get sewers on the Poninsula.

Members of the Rotary Club at their luncheon in the Commercial Club toward the c are to get sewers on the Peninsula within reasonable time the intake must be cut through at once. If we wait until the slough is dredged it may be two or more years before we could imply sewerage into the slough."

BAKER MAN SUGGESTED FOR COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS



THOMAS CARRICK BURKE.

BAKER, Or., April 6.—(Special.)—Thomas Carrick Burke, who is suggested as the next Collector of Customs at the Port of Portland, and President Wilson were born in the same month, December, 1856.

Judge Burke was born in Iowa and grew up on an Iowa farm. In 1881 he was graduated with the degree of bachelor of science from the Iowa State College at Ames. He was twice elected Judge of the Municipal Court of Des Moines, against what seemed the overwhelming strength of the dominant party. He practiced law in Des Moines until 1999. Since then he has lived in Baker. He was admitted to the Oregon bar, but has devoted his time to lands, timber, and particularly mining. He was active in making Baker the first city in the West to adopt the "Des Moines plan" of city government. He was chairman of the Oregon delegation to the Baltimore convention and has been active in the Democratic party in this part of the country. He is president of the Oregon State Board of Immigration.

Judge Baker was married in 1898 to Frances Streigel, and they have two children, Jocelyn, 8 years old, and Thomas Carrick, Jr., 4 years old.

Councilman Says Franchise Given Northwestern Is Faulty Because It Permits of Competitors Being "Swallowed Up."

ninth street, Brenx. New York, in a masculine hand, and a postscript adds: Thope I have your correct name, as you have given me two."

Hudson will be arraigned in Justice Court today. He has employed attorneys, and jauntily assured the detectives that he will be able to raise the ball required of him.

Letters have been sent to a number capthing as a like with the rumor of proposed consolidation of these companies, which provoked from Council man Clyde a resolution to the City Council providing for an investigation of the matter by the City Attorney.

"I do not believe that it is true that such a consolidation is under consideration, and so far as I know there is capthing as a like of the constant of the such as a consolidation of these companies, which provoked from Council.

Letters have been sent to a number nothing at all to the rumors mentioned of women believed to be the owners by Mr. Clyde in his resolution," said of effects found in his possession, and an effort will be made to hold him till they have time to answer. "The first Intimation I received that such rumors were affoat was in the MINSTRELS AGAIN SCORE stories that appeared in the newspapers this morning announcing that he had Second Performance at High School presented his resolution calling for an investigation.

Investigation Is Courted.

"If such a move had been under con The minstrels of Washington High School "came back" Saturday night in their second production at the High School auditorium, and, before a larger that reason I do not hesitate to say

to English dandy, was far shove the councilman Clyde says that he does not know whether there is any foun-dation to the rumors he has heard, but

SLOUGH INTAKE DESIRED

Council Will Be Asked to Make Appropriation for Initial Work.

That the intake at the east end of Columbia Slough must be epened in credit to produce a current in the slough to the Williamster River was the decision of the committees which met at Woodlawn Saturday. This was the gian of the Woodlawn Club. Secretary Cook said yesterday that the plan is CHEEEDEDS. Will Desired.

Members of the lotary club at hear-luncheon in the Commercial Club to-morrow will hear from the entertain-ment committee the details of the plans for the Rotary Club frolic which is to be held in the People's Theater tomorrow night. The playhouse has been bought out for the night by the Man's Neck Broken by Kick.

REDDING, Cai., April 6.—In a fight liter, break at the box office will be fluenced from the head and broke his neck. Byan died a few minutes later. Pickens was arrested.

been bought out for the night by the club, and a special programme is to be given, in addition to the film exhibition, by members of the club.

Receipts at the box office will be turned over to the relief fund for the fluenced for the flood sufferers in the Middle West.

The Rotary Club has already domated last 20 years.

"THE CONCERT' IS HERE, HERALDED BEST IN YEARS.



Leo Ditrichstein.

Hellig Eleventh and Morrison streets, for six nights, beginning tonight, with mathness Wednesday and Saturday.

This is the first visit of "The

Concert" here, and this play will serve to introduce to theater-goers in this part of the coun-try Leo Ditrichstein, an actor of distinction and a playwright of note. Mr. Ditrichstein adapted this play from a German one at the suggestion of Mr. Belasco, and then was induced to play the leading part. That was three years ago. Since that time Mr. Ditrichstein has acted continuously in this one comedy, which competent critics have declared to be the best play of its kind that has been presented in the last 20 years.

NEW SCALE GIVEN STORE EMPLOYES

Meier & Frank Company Announces Eight-Hour Day and Minimum Wage.

1800 EMPLOYES AFFECTED

Workers Approve Measure Anticipatory of New Law, While Department Heads Predict Increase in Efficiency.

Announcement by the Meier & Frank Company that, on May I. a general eight-hour day for all employes and a minimum wage of \$5 a week, or \$35 a month, for women employes, with minimum of \$6 a week for apprentices and minors, will be adopted, marks one of the important steps on the part of this big department store, by a modification of both wage and hour scales, to adapt itself to changes in modern industrial conditions.

conditions.

The minimum wage scale contemplated, while it does not affect the major proportion of the employes of the store, is nevertheless a feature of great importance in the company's business, since an increase of wagos among a fraction of the employes means an additional outlay of many thousand dollars a year.

The cight-hour provision in the new system, which the Meier & Frank Company has established in celebration of the 57th anniversary of its business, reaches to all of the 1800 employes, from the apprentices to the high-salaried department heads and expert

aried department heads and expert salesmen, and is a most popular move among the employes.

Increased Efficiency Expected.
t is conceded that the inauguratio It is conceded that the inauguration of the new eight-hour system will have a powerful influence for increasing efficiency in all departments, and also that the new wage scale will work to the same end by bringing about a standardization of efficiency which will demand of the employes, who are to live up to it, an increased degree of skill. It will have the effect automatically of bringing about a more careful selection of employes, which will bring the standard of the service

RUMOR IS DENIED

cate this amount from the receipts at the frolic tomorrow night.

The general public has been invited, since the frolic is to be turned into a flood benefit production, and the seat sales thus far indicate a large attendance. Contests of Rotary Club members for prizes which have been donated by other club men to the amount of about \$250, will be one of the feat.

Solidation Not Considered.

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I will have the effect automatically of bringing about a more careful selection of employes, which is the result of as high a point as possible. Commendation of the step taken by this company, which is the result of as high a point as possible. Commendation of the several months of consideration, is expressed not only by the employes, but by many of the citizens of Portland who were active in the movement for the passage of the minimum wage bill in the recent legislative session. This of the passage of the minimum wage bill only the

Pacific City Sawmill Sold.

The sawmill at Pacific City, Or., was sold today by P. R. Beals, of Tillamook, Or., to B. A. Knoblock, of Cloverdale, Or. This mill has been idle for some time, owing to litigation. The new owner expects to have it running with in the next few months, as the demand for lumber in this vicinity is brisk.

Tam highly gratified," he said, "to store this anticipatory action, which places that company in line with the laws expressing that sentiment thave become effective. This active step on the part of the Meler & Frank Company to meet the spirit of the minimum wage law is worthy of commendation."

pany to meet the spirit of the minimum wage law is worthy of commendation." What the state commission will do cannot now be known," said Mrs. Millie R. Trumbull. "but the action of this company indicates a manifest intention to co-operate. It is a step in the right direction, and the Meler & Frank Company is to be congratulated on its property action." Mrs. H. R. Talbot, who was also active on the committee of the Consumers' League, expressed her approval of the initiative taken by the department

"The scale anhounced by the Meier & The scale announced by the Meter & Frank Company." she said, "raises the standard of wages materially, I believe, and is most encouraging. The stand they have taken is a good one, and in line with the general trend of public sentiment on the question."

Employes Predict Benefit.

Employes of the company in general, while they are uniformly most deeply interested in the far-reaching effects of the eight-hour provision, predict valuable results also from the minimum wage scale.

W. L. Harman, who has been in the

w L. Harman, who has been in the employment of the company for 25 years, and is now in the slik buying department, expressed the belief that a general increase in efficiency in all sales departments as a direct result of both the eight-hour provision and the minimum wage scale would result.

"I believe it is a most progressive step and will increase the efficiency of the staff of the store and make its service to the public most effective," said R. D. Carpenter, merchandise man for the company. "Shorter hours of labor have a tendency to produce effi-ciency through greater and more suslabor have a tendency to produce efficiency through greater and more sustained concentration of effort, and I believe the minimum wage scale established will have a tendency to attract a higher grade of skill and to inspire a greater degree of ambition in the employes than ever before, for under it they are enabled to start in under more encouraging conditions, which of itself is a powerful spur to efficiency."

CLUB TO INDORSE DEMAND Killingsworth-Avenue Folk Fayor Cross-Town Carline.

The Killingsworth Avenue Improve-

nal Communion Service Here.

Bev. E. Nelson Allen, who has been pastor of the Hawthorne Presbyterian Church, held his final communion services yesterday morning and at night delivered the closing illustrated lecture of his course on "The Life of Christ."

Dr. Allen has resigned as pastor and terday from Morristown, Pa.

will leave in June for the East, M. A. Poppleton was ordained an elder.
Dr. Allen has been giving a series of illustrated tectures Sunday nights, the illustrations being partly from pictures he obtained during his trip in the holy land and also from the paintings of William Hole. These lectures have covered the most important features of the life of Christ. It is expected that Dr. Allen's pastoral relations with Hawthorne Church will be dissolved at the Spring meeting of Portland Presbytery, this month.

STUDENTS FACE RECKONING

Vancouver Boys Are Ordered Before Board for Attending Ball Game.

VANCOUVER, Wash. April 6 .- (Spe-VANCOUVER, Wash, April 6.—(Special.)—What is going to happen to the dozen or more high school students who "ditched" their classes to attend the baseball game between the American Colored Glants and the Soldiers in Vancouver Barracks Thursday, when they report to the school board tomorrow morning, is one of the big questions in local school circles.

The young students, feeling that

FAMILIAR STAGE FIGURE IN



Al Lewis.

Al Lewis, who was a familiar figure in the stagedom of Portland more than 10 years ago, has returned with 125 fiddies, 22 of which he will be required to smash into pieces here. When Mr. Lewis was in Portland he was associated with Lou Hearn, co-star with Bontia, now jouring England with "Wine, Women and Song." Lewis and Hearn played at the old Star Theater here in 1902, when Chris O. Brown, now general booking agent for Sullivan & Considine, was manager of that playhouse.

van & Considine, was manager of that play house.

In his present visit to Portland Mr. Lewis comes as the star of "The New Leader," the headline comedy to be staged at the Empress this week. A few weeks ago the same sketch was presented at the Orpheum with Sam Mann in the title role. Lewis is supported in the comedy by the same cast that accompanied Mann on a tour of the Orpheum circuit two seasons ago, and the three women and three men with three women and three men with

three women and three men with Lewis in the Empress playlet staged "The New Leader" with Sam Mann when that comedian made the greatest hit of his career on Broadway.

In the finale of "The New Leader," Lewis, in anger, breaks a fiddle in a fight with the stage manager. Lewis keeps 125 "prop" fiddles on hand for the destructive climaxes of his comedy. The comedy also requires Lewis to drink three quarters and three-quarters of heer a day with an additional mug on Sunday for the extra show. Lewis drinks the beer while he directs from the orchestra pit the vaudeville rehearsal on which "The New Leader" is based. The hare stage Leader" is based. The bare stage is the only setting used in the comedy, which was written by

they would not be granted their re-quest to attend the game, went away without permission, taking a trip down Main street in an express wagon, singhain street in an express agon, and ing high school and other songs. The school was dismissed at the next pe-riod, but when the boys appeared for classes Friday morning, they were refused admission to them, and ordered to report to the School Board Monday morning.

LONG SEPARATION TO END

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 6.—(Special.)—Nels Larson, \$2 years old, a resident of South Dakota, is visiting Henry Falk, of Vancouver, and tomorrow will visit his sister. Mrs. Charles Saleen, on Willamette Slough, whom he has not seen since 1871.

Mr. Larson and his sister last met before the Chicago fire, which separated them, both being burned out. At that time rallyoad transportation was furnished free to the fire sufferers to

Notes From St. Johns

The Killingsworth Avenue improvement Club will hold a meeting at 8 o'clock Monday evening at East Nincteenth street and Killingsworth avenue, for the purpose of indersing the attitude of the East Side clubs in domanding a cross-town carline on East Thirty-Initis street.

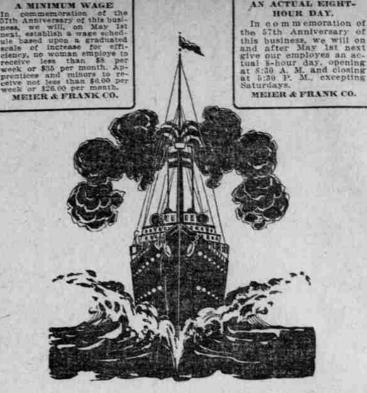
The people of the Peninsula are said to e in favor of the proposed line and alvo of the extension of the case were assessed against Hamlin, to east Thirty-Initis street.

East Forty-is-cent Thirty-initis they assend street, as I is called when it reaches Killings districts of the Peninsula are said in a short time. L. M. Lepper and J. R. Nolta will be among the speakers at Monday's meeting.

PASTOR ENDS MINISTRY

Rev. E. Nelson Alien Celebrates Final Communion Service Here. ST. JOHNS, Oc., April 6,-(Special.)-

The women of the Ghristian Church will serve lunch in the Holbrook block, on Jersey street, during the election,



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- Second Floor, Infants' Wear Section, New Bldg.



COST OF GOODS PURCHASED 10 he PER CENT LESS

Evening Star Members Receive \$250 Worth of Groceries on Cooperative Plan.

that time rallroad transportation was furnished free to the fire sufferers to any point they chose to go Mrs. Saleen, then Miss Christina Larson, chose Portland, where she married Charles taken for a grocery store Saturday, as the front rooms on the lower floor as the front rooms on the lower floor as the front rooms on the lower floor. taken for a grocery
as the front rooms on the lower floor
were filled with articles which had
been purchased by Andrew Holm, the
manager of the new plan of co-operative buying for Grange members. It
was delivery day for the past month.
About \$250 worth of articles, feed for
take Peter Panagion.

Charged with setting fire to his restaurant in San Francisco, Peter Panaglotaras, a Grock, with numerous
glotaras, a Grock, with numerous
and groceries, covering everyallases, was arrested yesterday by De-

Nels Larson, of South Dakota, Will GRANGE MAKES SAVING just a starter, and that it is hoped to develop an extensive plan of co-operative buying throughout the county, when it has been demonstrated that a

saving can be made.

The greatest saving on the goods bought and delivered Saturday was on feed for stock, which was 15 per cent over the regular prices paid.

There is space on the Grange ground, at the corner of East Eighticth and Division streets on which a general

blvision streets, on which a general delivery store may be built if the plan works out as expected. Buying on the wholesale will then be carried out on a large scale, covering everything used n the family.

CHARGE OF ARSON IS MADE

Merchants National Bank

Washington and Fourth Streets.