

MEET PROMINENT FOLK ON NEW YEAR'S DAY

"Open House" by Society Folk Is Fittingly Observed Here.

PROMINENT FOLK 'AT HOME'

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Ruggles Corbett, Mr. and Mrs. James G. Gauld and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Gay Lombard Entertain.

New Year's day was observed in a delightful manner by society folk and it is the one day in the year when men predominate at the afternoon reception.

Among those whose charming hospitality was extended to their friends yesterday was Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Ruggles Corbett, who entertained at their attractive reception in West Park street.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Gay Lombard contributed their quota to the day's festivities by giving a tango tea for about 20 of their closest friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Oskar E. Huber and daughters, the Misses Dorothy, Manfred and Elizabeth, left yesterday for a few days' sojourn at their cottage in Gearhart.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hubbard entertained on New Year's eve with a watch party in honor of the late Mrs. Dewey.

ROLE OF HAJJ SHOWS SKINNER REAL GENIUS

Recognition as Great Romantic Actor Is Given for Impersonation of Beggar of Bagdad in Oriental Drama, "Kismet."



OTIS SKINNER IN "KISMET."

It is rather late in the day, to be sure, for American playgoers to be making the discovery that Otis Skinner is the greatest romantic actor of the present generation.

When the American production of "Kismet" was projected, Mr. Skinner stepped into the role of Hajj as though it were his by right of inheritance.

That the terms ordinarily employed in dramatic criticism seem scarcely suited to a consideration of this creation by one man of another man.

Mr. Skinner will present "Kismet" at the Heilig Theater all next week, beginning Monday.

CIVIL SERVICE IN PERIL, NOW BELIEF

Attorneys Think Chamberlain Case Appeal May Hurt Organization.

MATTER AT ISSUE VITAL

Declaration Made That Should Commissioner Brewster Win Power of Board Would Be to Determine on Two Questions.

That the force and effect of municipal civil service in Portland are placed in jeopardy in the appeal of City Commissioner Brewster to the Circuit Court for a writ of review in the case of Russell T. Chamberlain, veteran janitor at the City Hall, who was reinstated to the service December 24 after having been discharged by Commissioner Brewster.

The question at issue is of the extent of the jurisdiction of the Civil Service Board in considering appeals of discharged employees. Commissioner Brewster contends that the power of the Board in considering such cases is to investigate only the questions as to whether the discharge was made for political or religious reasons or in good faith for the good of the public service.

It is declared that should the case be decided in favor of Commissioner Brewster the power of the Civil Service Board would be to determine only the questions, "Was the removal made in good faith? Was the removal for religious or political reasons?"

Profits Cast Aside FROM now on our sole object is to clear out every remaining suit, every coat, every dress and every blouse, in our Semi-Annual Clearance

Every garment must go. Positively none restricted. Come in today to make your selection!

- All Suits in 3 Lots \$25 to \$35 Suits \$19.00 \$38 to \$48 Suits \$25.00 \$50 to \$68 Suits \$35.00
- All Dresses in 3 Lots \$25 to \$35 Dresses \$19.50 \$38 to \$45 Dresses \$28.50 \$48 to \$65 Dresses \$37.50

All Coats Reduced 1-4 to 1-2 All Waists \$10 and up Half Price All Other Waists Greatly Reduced

The Bartholomew Company Portland's Exclusive Garment Shop Washington at Tenth



WORK IS TABULATED

County Records Up to Date for Year in Half Hour.

1912 AND 1913 COMPARED

Report Shows 35,998,912 Words Are Written in Deed, Mortgage and Other Books in Clerk's Office in 12 Months.

When County Clerk Coffey's office closed Wednesday night at 5 o'clock, approximately 35,998,912 words had been recorded in the deed, mortgage and other books for permanent records during the year 1913.

M. T. O'Connell, of this city, is sojourning in San Diego, Cal., at the U. S. Grant Hotel.

Dr. H. Ward Monroe, of Victoria, B. C., was host at a dinner party on Monday evening at the Hotel Multnomah.

Club Women Will Hold Three Meetings Today.

Professor Torrey and Dr. Chapman are to give the children of "Perfect Baby" will tell of care of children.

The Oregon Congress of Mothers has arranged an interesting series of meetings to be held at the Parents' Educational Bureau.

The Association of Collegiate Alumnae will meet as the guests of the Oregon Alumnae Association at 3 o'clock Saturday in room A, library.

The Association of Collegiate Alumnae will hold a business meeting at 10 o'clock Saturday morning at the Young Women's Christian Association.

The Woman's Club will give an entertainment January 23 for the benefit of the scholarship loan fund.

William K. Smith, a prominent business man of this city, is critically ill at the family home, 321 Third street.

COLONEL MARTIN IS HOST

Officers and Friends Guests at New Year's Reception.

Following a custom of the regular Army, Colonel Charles H. Martin, U. S. A., detailed as commander of the Third Infantry, Oregon National Guard, held a New Year's reception to officers under him and to friends at the Armory yesterday.

LA FRANCE BEGINS TERM

Man Who "Planted" Body and Collected Insurance Taken to Prison.

James C. LaFrance, convicted insurance swindler, was taken to the penitentiary Wednesday by Deputy Sheriff Ed Kennedy, to begin serving his sentence of from one to five years for defrauding the Modern Woodmen of America of \$3000 by "planting" a body.

LaFrance was arrested last Spring in Coos County and brought to Portland for trial. His wife is under indictment. The date for her trial has not been set.

BLACK GOODS SALE.

Western Pocahontas coal, \$6.50 a ton, delivered. Roslyn mine run, \$8.50. Portland & Suburban Coal Co.—Adv.

Advertisement for Axative Bromo Quinine, featuring a bottle illustration and text: "There is Only One 'Bromo Quinine' That is AXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Use the Cold Over to Cure a Cold in One Day. Always remember the full name. Look for the signature on every box. E. W. Grove."

Annual CLEARANCE SALE

Coats, Suits, Dresses, Waists, Petticoats Are reduced—we find ourselves with a larger stock than any previous season at this time of year, and it must be sacrificed to make room for our immense Spring purchases that will soon be en route.

Every Coat, Every Suit, Every Dress Petticoats, Waists, Furs and Skirts are included in this great Clearance Sale.

Large advertisement for Worrell's Clearance Sale. It features three columns of clothing items with prices: 500 Suits to Choose From (starting at \$9.95), 1200 Coats to Choose From (starting at \$6.65), and 800 Dresses to Choose From (starting at \$9.95). It also includes a section for 'Suits, Coats, Dresses' with prices like \$13.35, \$16.65, and \$19.95. At the bottom, it says '1 1/2 Price \$4.95' and 'Worrell's CLOAKS AND SUITS COR. SIXTH AND ALDER, Opp. Oregonian Bldg.' There is also a small illustration of a woman in a dress.

LAUNDRY HOST TO STAFF

JOHN TAIT PRESIDES IN DINING-ROOM OF MODERN PLANT.

Nearly 200 Employees Entertained, and Recreation Department Costing \$15,000, Presented.

MOTHER TIRES OF BABY

Posthumous Child Given to Proprietress of Rooming-House to Keep.

Tired of the posthumous baby of her first husband, Louise Cibulka, who was at one time a ward of the Department of Public Safety for Women, has given the baby, 11 months old, to Mrs. Elizabeth Hogan, proprietress of a rooming-house at Thirteenth and Flanders streets, to keep, Patrolman Vessey reported yesterday.

SALE OF SICK HOG CHARGED

Herd and Farm Declared Damaged and Suit Is Filed.

Suit to collect \$3250, alleged to be the amount of damages sustained by W. H. Whitmore and Steve Osborne as a result of the purchase of a choker infected hog, has been filed in County Clerk Coffey's office by Whitmore and Osborne against Charles Thornton and Al Brown. Brown and Thornton knew the hog they sold to Whitmore and Osborne was infected, the complaint charges.

Richard C. Warriner, a well-known pioneer of 1853, and who has been in the laundry business for more than a quarter of a century, delivered an address, in which he sketched the evolution and progress of the business, emphasizing the improved conditions under which the men and women of today work.

Manager Tait told the employees that the dining hall and recreation room were for their benefit and comfort. He

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