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AMUSEMENTS.
PANTAGES (Broadway at Alder) — Un-
 equaled vaudeville. Three shows daily.
 7:30, 9 and 10:30.
HIPPODROME (Broadway and Yamhill) —
 Vaudeville and moving pictures, 2 to 5:
 10:45 to 11 P. M. Sunday, holidays,
 continuous, 1:15 to 11 P. M.
STAND (Park, West Park and Stark) —
 Vaudeville and motion pictures, continuous.
OAKS PARK — Open-air amusement resort on
 Willamette River.
RIVERSIDE PARK — Open-air amusement
 resort on Willamette River. Informal open-
 ing.
COUNCIL CREST PARK — Open-air amuse-
 ment resort on Council Crest. Take Port-
 land Heights cars.

OREGONIANS AT RESORTS.
 Subscribe with the following
 agents, at your summer resort,
 to secure the special summer rates
 of The Oregonian. City rates.
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 in advance.
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 Manzanita, Or. E. F. Kardell
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 Ocean Park, Wash. Florence Leekley
 Pacific Beach, Wash. M. W. Dordick
 Rockaway, Or. Frank Miller
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 Tokeland, Wash. Joe Johnson
 Wheeler, Or. R. H. Cady

PAYMENT, NOT DAMAGES, SOUGHT.—
 Actual payment of \$7500 for goods de-
 livered and not paid for, was errone-
 ously stated, is sought by E. H.
 Moorehouse in a suit filed Saturday in
 Circuit Court against Reid & Switzer,
 Portland lumber brokers, according to
 Mr. Moorehouse, who analyzed the
 lengthy complaint yesterday. Mr.
 Moorehouse in the action alleges that
 the brokers furnished him with goods
 kept him from completing his part of
 the contract after he had started fill-
 ing it. Their motive, he alleges, was
 to get out of their part of the con-
 tract.

CHINESE IS SUICIDE IN JAIL.—Lee
 John Hing, who was arrested early yester-
 day morning at Fourth and Everett
 streets by Patrolman Van Valkenburgh
 and sent to the County Jail for exami-
 nation as to his sanity, committed sui-
 cide yesterday afternoon by hanging
 himself from a steam pipe in the jail.
 Little is known of the man, who was
 taken in custody by the policeman who
 had noticed him acting in an erratic
 manner and screaming on the street.
 Coroner Smith took charge of the body.

WHY TO BE ROTARY CLUB TOPIC.—
 Why Chinese thought was ex-
 ist will be explained to the members
 of the Rotary Club at their luncheon
 at the Benson Hotel tomorrow noon by
 R. P. Bonham, inspector in charge of
 the Oregon district for the Immigra-
 tion Service of the United States. As-
 sistants District Attorney John A. Col-
 ler will speak on the present trou-
 bles in Portland and the steps that
 are being taken by the authorities to
 handle the situation.

THEATER ENTERTAINS ENGINEERS.—
 Company B, Oregon Engineers, were
 guests of the People's Theater Thurs-
 day night. The picture shown was a
 military one and was much enjoyed by
 members of the organization. The men
 expressed their appreciation of the
 courtesy shown them at that time.
 Members of Company B are drilling in-
 dustriously and are rapidly taking on
 the appearance of veterans.

PROGRAMME TO AID BELGIAN ORPHANS.—
 For the benefit of the Belgian or-
 phans' fund and the American Red
 Cross fund, an entertainment will be
 given tonight at Almsworth School by
 Mrs. Helen B. Smith, Mrs. M. E. Hiler,
 Lemmel and Mrs. Martha Gielow. Mrs.
 Starrett will be heard in recitations.
 Mrs. Lemmel in songs and Mrs. Gielow
 in plantation stories and songs from
 her book.

HAPPY BOYS RETURN.—Another group
 of happy boys returned to Portland
 from the "Big Brother Farm" at Leba-
 ron, Or., founded by Mr. and Mrs. Elmer
 A. Lyon four years ago. Boys are
 taken to the farm every year until
 they are 15 years old, beginning at the
 age of 10. Homeless boys are placed
 in homes during the winter time by
 Mr. and Mrs. Lyon.

EXPERT ACCOUNTANT OF EXTENSIVE
 experience in the handling of hard-
 ware set of books will be open for offer
 after August 1. Replies confidential.
 All references. Address P. O. box 669.
 —Adv.

FOR RENT.—At Riverwood, 5-room
 cottage, low rent to responsible party;
 lease. K 416, Oregonian.—Adv.

DR. CALVIN S. WHITE has resumed the
 practice of his profession; Selling bldg.
 —Adv.

BAKER THEATER for rent. Inquire at
 box office, between 1 and 2 P. M.—Adv.

DR. EARLE HENLOW has returned.
 —Adv.

ICE CREAM delivered all parts of the
 city. Washington Creamery Co.—Adv.

PERSONAL MENTION.

L. H. Lannin, of Lyle, is at the
 Seward.
 D. T. LeRoy, of Seattle, is at the
 Oregon.
 B. A. Vincent, of Seattle, is at the
 Oregon.
 F. E. Edwards, of Astoria, is at the
 Carlton.
 Stanley Glidden, of Chicago, is at the
 Portland.
 A. B. Lucas, of Eugene, is at the
 Perkins.
 J. P. Trux, of Grants Pass, is at the
 Imperial.
 Cassius E. Gates, of Seattle, is at the
 Imperial.
 James S. West, of Tacoma, is at the
 Cornelia.
 R. R. Turner is at the Imperial from
 Roseburg.
 M. T. Hendrix is at the Perkins from
 Marshfield.
 M. T. Henderson is at the Perkins
 from Amity.
 F. M. Dickie, of San Francisco, is at
 the Oregon.
 Albert Slater, of Bonman, N. D., is at
 the Oregon.
 H. W. White, of McMinnville, is at
 the Oregon.
 Mrs. William Sloper, of Bend, is at
 the Seward.
 R. W. McLean, of Astoria, is at the
 Multnomah.
 F. C. Francisco, of Hood River, is at
 the Carlton.
 A. W. Welsner, of Seattle, is at the
 Washington.
 Villa B. Stovall, of Spokane, is at
 the Multnomah.
 Thomas Cain is at the Imperial from
 Wallace, Idaho.
 Mrs. W. B. Hauker, Mrs. J. F. Mc-
 New, Mrs. Vivian Stewart, Martha

Stewart, Mrs. Tom Cox and Mrs. Fred
 W. Davis Williams constitute an auto-
 mobile party from Farmersville, Tex.,
 at the Multnomah.

D. Bonham is at the Carlton from
 Shreveport, La.
 Florence E. Nichols is at the Port-
 land from Salem.

L. Lucella Seider, of Kansas City, is
 at the Cornelia.

G. L. McBain is at the Washington
 from Deer Island.

H. C. McAllister, of Wallace, Idaho,
 is at the Portland.

Mrs. J. R. Bishop is at the Seward
 from Bluffton, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Woods, is at the
 Cornelia from Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Dettelman are at the
 Carlton from Eureka.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Weir are at the
 Portland from Silvertown.

Aurelius L. Murphy, of Douglas,
 Ariz., is at the Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. William Garret are at
 the Perkins from Marshfield.

Leta E. Adams and her mother are at
 the Washington from Syracuse.

Mrs. M. J. Platt and Naomi Platt, of
 Centralia, are at the Multnomah.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Collins are at the
 Seward from Bonners Ferry, Idaho.

ERIN PICNIC AUGUST 5

HIBERNIANS DISTURBED BY ERROR
IN PUBLICATION.

Mr. Drake O'Reilly Promises Decorations
on Steamer Beaver to Bring
Tears of Homesickness.

The general committee in charge of
 the annual picnic of the Ancient Or-
 der of Hibernians and the Ladies' Aux-
 iliary of the organization will meet
 at the Hibernian Hall tonight to com-
 plete plans for the entertainment and
 same such further subcommittees as
 may be needed to handle it.

Owing to an error in announcements
 published, members of the committee
 were overwhelmed by telephone calls
 yesterday from loyal Hibernians who
 were startled to read at the last mo-
 ment that the excursion was apparently
 scheduled for yesterday. They were
 kept busy reassuring them that it was
 Sunday, August 5, instead of Sunday,
 July 29, and that there is still a week
 in which those who plan to make the
 trip may secure tickets.

The plan is to leave next Sunday
 morning for the Couch-street dock on
 the steamer Beaver, which has been
 chartered for the occasion and which,
 according to Drake O'Reilly, one of
 the owners, will be decorated in such
 a way as to bring tears of homesick-
 ness to the eyes of every genuine Irish-
 man.

The boat will run down to Sand
 Island, where the sports of the day
 will be held. Mr. J. Murnane is the
 chairman of the committee in charge
 of this part of the programme.

FORGERY IS CONFESSED

VICTOR VERNON BLAMES FAULT TO
WIFE'S DEATH.

Blank Checks Were Stolen From Of-
 fice of Former Employer and
 Used to Obtain Money.

At one time a high-class vaudeville
 artist and later marrying and settling
 down in Portland with a pretty little
 wife and taking a good position here,
 Victor Vincent Vernon, aged 28, who
 was happy and contented, but last May
 the wife died and, according to Vernon,
 he lost his grip in manhood. He gave
 up his job with the Levin Hardware Com-
 pany and went away to forget his sor-
 row.

June 30 he returned to the city and
 that night went to the store to try
 and get his position back. As he en-
 tered the store he saw two men who
 were talking in the rear and Vernon's
 entrance was not noticed. He called,
 but says Mr. Levin did not hear.

Down in spirits and out of money,
 temptation came to him and he hid
 in the store. After the other men had
 gone, he took the money and hid it in
 the office and took several blank checks.
 He forged two. One was passed on
 the Hotel Ritz for \$20 and another was

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RESORTS IS CROWDED

Turnstiles Record 14,000 at
Columbia River Beach.

ATTRACTIONS ARE VARIED

Adults Enjoy Bathing and Other
Entertainment Features, but
Kiddies Go Wild With De-
light at Chances to Play.

More than 14,000 enthusiastic recrea-
 tionists stormed the gates of Columbia
 Beach yesterday, the opening Sunday
 of the popular resort's 1917 season. As
 early as 8:30 A. M. the picnic parties
 began to arrive with their hampers,
 hammocks, rugs and other outing para-
 phernalia, and by 10 o'clock the groves
 and the long white stretch of the beach
 were swarming with men, women and
 children.

Throughout the afternoon two-car
 "trippers" trains, each carrying capaci-
 ty loads and arriving every 15 min-
 utes, continued to add to the throngs,
 which swam and splashed in the water,
 enjoyed sun-baths on the beach, played
 in the sand, danced in the open-air
 pavilion, patronized the busy conces-
 sions, strolled through the groves, de-
 voured watermelons, and otherwise dis-
 ordered themselves.

Day Is Ideal.
 The day was an ideal one of un-
 broken sunshine, with an invigorating
 breeze from the coast, and the water
 was warm. The water warmed by the
 sun, was unanimously pronounced
 "fine," and there were hundreds of
 bathers.

Now and then, from the barracks
 across the river, a bugle call, clear and
 sweet, was heard. Men in uniform
 were liberally sprinkled through the
 crowds. More than 1000 soldiers yester-
 day accepted the invitation of the
 management and enjoyed the freedom
 of the resort, without charge. A few
 "Jackies" were also noted.

In addition to the crowds that ar-
 rived by streetcar from both Port-
 land and Vancouver, many motored to
 the resort. Nearly 500 automobiles
 passed through the gates during the
 day, and were parked in the grove land
 of the beach.

Early and late, and everywhere, all
 the time, were the children. Columbia
 Beach is full of appeal to the "kiddies,"
 who revel in the warm shallow water
 and romp in the sand with delight.
 On the upper end of the island, the
 Shetland ponies and burros were kept
 continually on the go. The trails in
 the upper grove were alive with small
 boys designing and building castles
 of sand. The lower end of the island
 was the home of long, long, long-
 eared donkeys, or fat, perambulating
 ponies, mingled with the encouraging
 shouts of small friends safely jogging
 along in the basket cars.

Dancing Attracts Many.
 In the dancing pavilion, where 600
 couples can "step out" at one time,
 those who were partial to this form of
 recreation kept the floor busy through-
 out the afternoon and evening.

Despite the size of yesterday's re-
 cord-breaking throng to the resort, there
 were accommodations for all. The bath-
 house and other facilities have been
 improved and enlarged, and the emer-
 gencies and an abundant supply
 of pure drinking water, piped from
 Bridgeton, is available through drink-
 ing fountains conveniently located.
 A schedule of attractions and special
 events is being arranged for the sea-
 son, one of these being a bathing girls'
 parade, which will take place next Sat-
 urday.

CONSCRIPTS TO GATHER

MEN WHOSE NUMBERS ARE DRAWN
TO MEET THURSDAY NIGHT.

Idea Is to Create Feeling of Fellow-
 ship Between Those Who Will
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