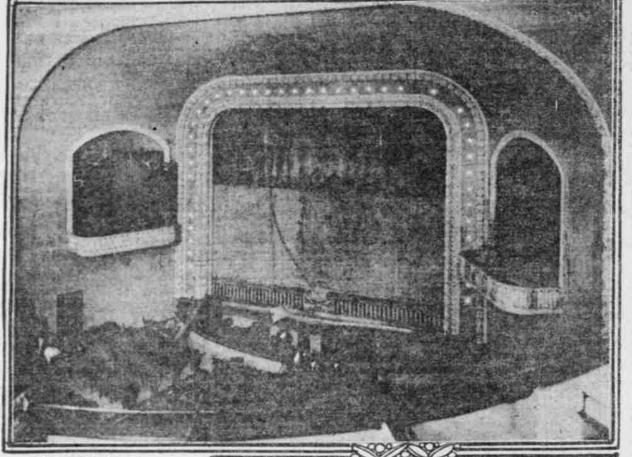
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NEW PEOPLES' THEATER BUILT AND COMPLETED IN ONE HUNDRED DAYS

Portland's Newest Amusement House Will Be Opened Wednesday-Building Is Modern and in Style of George M. Cohan's Broadway Theater.



INTERIOR THEATER

HE "People's" theater, occupying a space 100 feat by 100 feet, at the corner of West Park and Alder streets, which celebrates its grand opening next Wednesday, November 1. has the distinction of being a "madein-Oregon" product. The company itself is a local one and the material used, with the exception of the onyx with which the lobby is trimmed, was all secured either in Portland or some part of Oregon. In all matters pertaining to construction architecture and deco-rating the work is the product of lo-oil artists and artises.

rating the work is the product of lo-cal artists and artisans. The exterior of the theater is deco-rated with appropriate plastic work, especially designed for this particular theater and consists of figures typical of the drama, tragedy, music and mo-tion picture art. The exterior lobby is trimmed in beautiful Mexican onys, and the entrance doors, four in unmber, furnish the most artistic and original furnish the most artistic and original idea of the kind in the country. These four doors are especially designed art glass, being entirely unique and original, representing music, art, the drama and tragedy, and are especially attract, ive when illuminated at night with hidelectric lights which shine through the transparent glass.

Foyer Large and Roomy.

The foyer is very large, roomy and comfortable, being divided off from the main floor by a partition which is been ifully decorated with hanging curtains of Alice blue plush. From the main foyer there are two stalrways—one to the right and one to the left—leading a summable attractive and confirm te a genuinely attractive and comfort-able balcony. The main floor is divided into four sections and leading into each is a wide and well-lighted ainle. the lights being entirely unique in de-sign, coming up under the seats and

ing perfect and complete lilumins



on suspicion, and Miss Waugh prompt-ly identified him. Later a more careful search of the lot, where the Waugh girl was attacked, rovealed a portion of a gold bracelet which the other young woman idenlified as having been stolen from her when she was attacked, Really, we do not miss the old-time detectives with heavy shoes and brutal manners. The new regime is doing

manners. The new regime is using very well indeed. ' The Department of Bulidings has is-sued some interesting figures, which show that there are fewer structures being erected in Manhattan than in any other borough. The value of the buildings, however, is far in excess of

buildings, however, is far in excess of all the others combined. In Manhattan there were 344 build-ings, valued at \$59,977.790; in Brook-lyn, 2795, worth \$17,580,195; in the Bronx, 857, valued at \$14,942,280; in Queens, 2858, valued at \$9,182,505, and in Richmond, 521, valued at \$1,010,990. The building in Manhattan these days is principally office structures, as can be seen when one notices that the average cost is around \$170,000. In Queens it is chiefly dwellings, the bet-ter transportation facilities having given that borough a homeseekers' boom.

Streets Are Torn Up.

The street problem in New York is getting to be a serious one. All the thoroughfares are torn up, or at least it seems so. At the present writing Fifth avenue, Park avenue and Madi-son avenue, the three principal down-town streets, are impassable, and it is job to get anywhere by auto or

Wagon. George McAneny, president of the Borough of the Bronx, has asked the Board of Estimate for \$6,000,000 to repave the streets under his jurisdic-tion, and the Mayor has appointed a committee of citizens to "co-operate" with Mr. McAneny, to see just what can and should be done. The main trouble, however, is that

The main trouble, however, is that even if we do get new pavements, they will be with us for but a short time. New York has been laying its pipes and conduits underground and provid-ing no access to them. The result is that whenever there is a leak any-where or a new public service is to be installed under ground, the streets are ripped up and stay ripped up for a long time, to the detriment of business, health and traffic. In Faris mains and conduits are laid

nealla and traffic. In Paris mains and conduits are laid in the sewers and are accessible with-out digging. In Paris and also in Berlin pipes are laid under aldewalks and are reached from building basements

ments. The only reason why this city does not do likewise, it is said, is the oppo-sition of the Consolidated Gas Com-pany, which fears that rival concerns might get an opening if pipe galleries are laid along the subwars. And up to data they have been able to hend city date they have been able to bend city

administrations to their wishes. If we had a perfect system of street aving installed today, it would be a patchwork within two months. That is why there is objection to the plea of McAneny for \$6,000,000. The tax-payers realize that no matter how homestly it might be expended, it would be more wasted be money wasted.

Charge Is Upheld.

Some day New York will wake up. At present the report of a committee of merchants to the Mayor is justi-fied. They announced that "New York has the worst paving of any city in the world," and no one can honestly deny that they were justified in the state-

Restaurant keepers along the Great White Way report that there has been a remarkable failing off in the recelpts of their hot-rooms since the se-crets of the system was exposed.

Dinars who had been giving boys a dime every time they obecked their head covering were annazed to find that the youngesters did not benefit there-by. It seems that the restaurant men, being good at business, had no inten-tion of letting that gold mine go by. They farmed out the privilege, in some cases receiving as high as \$9000 a year. Then the concessionaire took charge

hired youths at \$5 a week and made them turn in all their tips. Since this condition has been proved many patrons have been giving the coatroom boys glad smiles, but no money. The ground they take is that they are willing to tip, but they do not care to do so if the tip is going to a d man who has paid a third for the privilege of receiving it. At Churchill's, one of the best-known of the after-theater restaurants, one of the boys said to me the ther night:

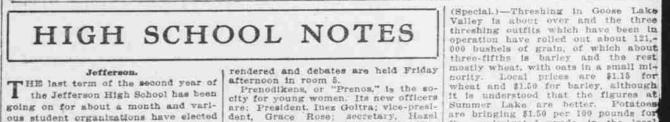


Exhibits From Beaver State at Colorado Springs Dry-Far ming Congress Attract Much Attention From Delegates and Visitors.



DAS COMMERCIAL CLUB DRY FARMING CONGRES INTERNATIONAL DES CONGRESS 12

Oregon's prize-winning exhibits at the National Dry Farming Congress in Colorado Springs were among the most interesting displayed there. They were seen by thousands of people who made eager inquiry regarding the state. Many expressed an intention of coming to Oregon and locating here. The display made by Tiliman Reuter, who has scored remarkable success in dry farming near Madras, presented wishle evidence of the possibilities for faising all kinds of orops on the unirrigated land of the Interior. The Madrase Commercial Club also had an interesting exhibit that won many prizes and that further demonstrated the dry-farming advantages of Oregon over most of the other Western States. Oregon entries won 34 prizes at the Colorado Springs show.



tion for every seat on the main floor. The stage is somewhat larger than is usually found in theaters constructed exclusively for the exhibition of exclusively for the exhibition of mo-tion pictures and it is thoroughly and completely equipped with whatever is necessary in order to fully exploit high-class pictudes, as well as song productions and turns which are pecu-liarly appropriate to this form of enter-tainment. The grand drapery is beau-ifully executed in the share of tifully executed in the shape of an overhanging curtain, and the color scheme, both of that and of the large asbestos curtain, is fully in harmony with the general character of the dec-orations, the color scheme being Alice blue throughout very largely following the decorative scheme of George Cohan's theater, which has recently been constructed and is now open to the public on Broadway, New York. In addition to natural ventilation of

in less than a minute. the highest order, a complete system of scientific suction fans has been in-stalled, by which the air entirely changes in the building every two min-

tites. The lighting system of the theater is taken care of by ten light wells in the celling of the main auditorium, being a peculiar system of inverting which takes care of the rays of light which takes care of the rays of light upward and which enables the house to be fully lighted without in the slightest degree interfering with the exhibition of the pictures, and in ad-dition, more than 1000 other lights may be turned on by the controlling switch. On the left is the organ loft, con-taining the new \$10,000 organ which was aspecially constructed for the "Peoples" Theater, together with a special church chimes box, something never before put in any theater on the never before put in any theater on the Pacific Coast, and which will enable the organist to create a very weird and realistic effect when the peculiar pic-ture being exhibited warrants the use of the chimes. The theater contains a number of very handsome loges lo-cated in the front of the balcony. Underneath the stage are a number of dressing-rooms. The boller-room is of the chimes. The theater contains a

in the basement entirely separate and apart from the theater and located unlerneath the store portion of the build-

In the rear of the balcony the operating room is located. This room is constructed throughout of solid steel and concrete, its celling is high, is well ventflated, and everything known to the latest motion picture science has been inaugurated in this booth, not only to provide safety but to enable the operator to produce the highest grade picture. There are two machines in use, and the lighting and picture screen are designed for the production and exhibition of the largest picture in width, heighth and breadth of any ever shown in the United States.

Building Completed in Record Time.

The erection of the building was be-gun on July 7, 1911, and was finished and turned over by the contractor on October 16, 30 days shead of actual contract time, the remaining days to November 1 were utilised in putting in the chairs and furnishings and other work coming under the supervision of the company. This is the establishment of an absolute record in putting up a building covering a space of 100x 100. The entire building, the space devoted to theatrical purposes as well as the space occupied by stores and roofs offices is constructed of steel and re-Inforced concrete.

NEW PEOPLES THEATER WEST PARK AND ALDER SIS.

ing an inclined floor and entirely capa-ble of taking care of that portion of has become a permanent institution in has become a permanent institution in the audience which will use that side. the city. The People's Amusement On the north side of the building is an Company and the local advisory board ependent eight-foot passageway laid concrete which will be utilized by censors from the day of that institution's organization to the present those making their exit from that por time, have worked in complete har tion of the theater. It is estimated by those conversant with these matters that the entire theater can be emptied mony and no picture has been exhibited in any one of the 16 theaters in this city operated by the People's Amuse ment Company, without first having been passed and approved by the Na-tional Censorship Board and the local Growth People's Amusement Company. The People's Amusement Company was organized in February, 1911, and

The People's Amuseum, 1911, and started with a dozen theaters. It has added to its string of theaters until now it owns, operates and controls theaters in the principal cities of the Northwest and it is its aim in time to cover the entire field with theaters modeled after the new "People's." The company started out with the idea of educating the public to an appreciation of its best photoplays obtainable in the efforts of the management that the efforts of the management that censorship, made up of a ment Company.

Unraveling Mysterious Crimes Detective Work Surpassing Achievements of Doyle's Fictional Character, Sherlock Holmes, Is Accomplished Under Administration of Waldo. into little bits. Seemingly such efforts

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BY LLOYD F. LONERGAN. EW YORK, Oct. 28.-(Special.)-EW YORK, Oct. 28.- (Special.) had been made to destroy it that some Detective work of the kind that one must have regarded it as valuable. The fragments were taken to head-quarters and laboriously pleced to-gether. Then the writing was seen made Sherlock Holmes famous, ias marked the labors of the police department of late. For the third time since Waldo became Commissioner, a to contain the name and address of a man in the Bronx. He was promptly erims that aroused great public inter est, but seemed hopeless of solution, Under the influence of the "third

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has been cleared up. degree" he confessed. With another man he had decided to commit burglary Here are the clews in three recent famous cases: A label under the label on a bottle of chloroform; a sheet torn from a memorandum book and found at the first opportunity. The other man, who lived down town near the saloon, wrote down his name and adin the cellar of the house next door to dress so that he could summon him when necessary. The two committed the robbery and murder, fied and hid for a time in the cellar next door. The second man remembered the memoran-dum and tore it up so that it could not be used against them. In so doing he where the crime was coinmitted; and the similarity in two crimes.

Label Fixes Crime.

The label figured in the case of broker Jackson, who was murdered in he iroquois Hotel. The bellboy slayer used a bottle of chloroform and under be used against them. In so doing he signed his own death warrant. Both men are now awaiting indictment for murder in the first degree. the label was another with the mark of a druggist over in New Jersey. Through this the bottle was traced to the beliboy's landlady, and confession followed arrest.

The third case was that of Alice Waugh, who was at scked almost at The second case was that of a saoonkeeper, known by the nickname of Paddy the Priest." His place was n the first floor of a tenement house. the neighborhood in vain. The gtrl Two men dropped in one evening when he was alone, shot him to death, and was unable to give any coherent de-scription of her assailant. It looked for a time as if the case would be added escaped upstairs, supposedly over the roofs. When assistance arrived they had made a clean get away. The police scarshed the block, heto the list of unsolved mysteries. One of the detectives, however, hap-

One of the detectives, however, hap-pened to recall that a young man who lived half a mile from the Waugh home, was out on ball on a similar home, was out on ball on a similar home, materiad by a girl who had ing people. Mr. Comer will be accom-Inforced concrete. On the lower floor there are six dis-inct exits and on the upper floor there are also six wide exits leading out from the first floor to Alder street be-

Formerly we could count on a dime from 99 men out of 100. Since the papers exposed the graft the percent-age has fallen off and at present only 40 per cent of the men tip. Many of them frankly tell us that the reason is that they do not like the system. In several of the hotels and restau-rants conditions have become so had

that the shaff of coatroom boys has been cut down and several of the men who lease the privilege are nearly broke. They haven't a very big margin, for the hotel man always exacts as much as he possibly can." The Rev. Malbert Birckhead has re-

turned from a three months tour of Wyoming and the Yellowstone in a "gospel wagon." He declares that all things considered, there is more chance for conversions in the Far West than

for conversions in the Far West than there is in the slums of New York. "I do not think the average New York mission 'subject' is as good as one in the West," says Mr. Birckhead, who is a brother of the pastor of St. George's Church. "In New York they have got so accustomed to having mis-sion sermons at lunch that they have sion sermons at lunch that they lose all their fervor with the last bun and decide not to wait until the final prayer is said."

Be Complete in Ten Days.

be virtually impossible.

the first of the year.

Bridge May Not Swing.

ous student organizations have elected the officers for the term and made preparations for the different functions to be held. Although the school has

only been opened for a short time it has over \$00 students. Some of the organizations had a hard time to keep up their existence but now all have all the members they can take care of and still keep up effective work.

Both the Boys' and Girls' Glee Clubs have resumed their work under the di-rection of Madame d'Auria. Extensive plans for the Winter and Spring have been drawn up, including a comic op-era, to be given about March. The clubs will also take part in outside

The officers of the Boys' Club are: President, Lowell Patton; secretary and reasurer, Roscoe Giger; assistants to treasurer, Ray Moore and William Langley. Those of the Girls' Club are: Presi-

dent, Marion Nell; vice-president, Olga overett; secretary-treasurer, Charlotte Giger.

Debating Is Revived.

The Fall has brought a debating re-There are two societies in the vival. school for this purpose, the Zetas and the Alphas, both of which are enrolling large numbers.

Although the avowed purpose is to a very lively time socially as well, hav-ing many entertainments out of the ACCIDENT DANGER LESS

 The most exciting of these episodes is the initiation affairs which each gives at the beginning of each term. The officers of the Alphas are: Har-the officers of the Alphas term. Interlock on Mount Hood Line to

old Melendy, Henry Hawkins, Lowell A modern interlocking is under in-Pation, George Maxwell, Stuart Pratt and Ralph Walters, being president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, stallation at the intersection of the Mount Hood and Oregon Water Power sergeant at arms and editor, respecrailroads near Ruby and will be comploted in about ten days. After it is tively,

Those elected by the Zetas are in place accidents at this crossing will Gladys Lauhters, president; Fern Wed-rick, vice-president; Marion Alihanda, secretary; Myrtle Gregory, treasurer; Four new coaches and two baggage cars for use by the Mount Hood line Baldwin Williams, sergeant at arms; Winifred Bent, critic, and Juanita Parare on their way to Portland and will

ker, editor. The February '12 class, although rather small, is well organized and the cogeniality of its members and the fact that it will be the first class to grad-

ABERDEEN, Wash., Oct. 28 .- An adverse report was given at the City Council meeting last night on the

Washington.

Wishkah River bridge over her land. The new bridge is now nearly complet-The several student organizations of Washington High School have elected officers for the ensuing year and are now busy in their respective channels. School life is enlivened through these a, but the city neglected to secure the right to swing it, and it will now be necessary to take the matter into court. student clubs. Students leave every year and new young men and young women take their places in manage-

Rev. Mr: Comer Going to India. COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Oct. 28 .-ment. The Eukrineons, the oldest club (Special.)-Rev. J. Mark Comer, well known here because of his evangelistic work, will leave for Calcutta, India. in the school, has elected the follow-ing officers: President, Lowell C. Bradford; vice-president, William Gerretson; secretary, Fred White; treasurer, Archie Clark; sergeant-at-arms, Vere Windnagle; editor, Alfred Lomax; aritic, Lloyd Carrick. Programmes are

dent, Grace Rose; secretary, Hazel Johnson; assistant secretary, Olive Nisdent. ley; treasurer, Irene Wentz; sergeant. ley; treasurer, irene Wentz; sergeant-at-arms and editor, Louise Hammand; critic, Irene Lacey. The club has a large and growing membership. Week-ly meetings are held. The Camera Club elected the follow-ing officers: Tresident, Freeman Mc-Nary; vice-president, Gien Kelth; secre-ners, Durals Margins, Tressurer, Despi

tary, Bessie Hawley, treasurer, Dean Feterson; sergeant-at-arms, Bernlos Lee; editor, S. Lloyd Davies, Plans for future work are being made. Many ex-

cellent prints have been turned in. The exhibit promises to be one to be proud of. Every member is expected to have at least one photograph, representa-

tive of his work. The Girls' Chorus elected these of-fleers: President, Miriam Oberg; vice-president, Ada Young; secretary, Jose-phine Miller; treasurer, Vivian Bretherton; editor, Hazel Johnson, Mrs. Rose Coursen Reed has been secured again as director for the ensuing year.

Neknhul is Tribe.

The Quillers lost several prominent members at the last graduation, but the club started by electing the follow-ing officers: President, Shelby Davies; vice-president, Louise Hammand; secre-tary, Phila M. Duffee; treasurer, Gertrude Johnson; sergeant-at-arms, Terry Rberg; editor, Kenneth Irle. Plans have been adopted for a course

of study and an increase of the mem-bership. Eligibility to membership is based on capacity to do some literary work. Candidates submit samples to the club and if acceptable the candldate is voted in

The Nekahni is the name of the new tribe of young women. The tribe elected the following officers: Chief. Ruth, Houcks; vice-chief, Gertrude Acheson; keeper of the annals of the

Acheson, keeper of the annais of the tribe, Jennie Hurgins; keeper of wam-pum, Emily Wood; sergeant-at-arms of the "skookum house," Laura Miller; chairman membership committee, Eliz-abeth Wirt; editor, Olive Nisley. The society is literary in its purpose. The Philathea and Edelweiss are two strong organizations. The formar is a Fible

organizations. The former is a Bibl student's club and the latter is a Ger-man society. There are about 1200 students in the Washington High and a considerable number belong to these organizations.

DEATH ENDS CAMP TRIP

Rifle Discharged When Taken From

Wagon by Roseburg Man.

ROSEBURG, Or., Oct. 28 .- (Special.)-While attempting to remove a loaded rifle from a wagon box in which he carried his camping equipment, Caesar Martini, who lives a few miles north of Roseburg, was almost instantly killed

Martini was en route to Honey Creek on a camping trip, and had reached the mouth of the stream, where he intended to unload his supplies. Grasping the muzzle of the rifle Martini attempted to draw it from the warvant attempted to draw it from the warvan, and had partly succeeded when the gun was discharged. The bullet entered Mar-tin's breast and he fell to the ground mortally wounded.

He was 25 years old, and had lived in Douglas County for 15 years.

> Goose Lake Threshing Over. KLAMATH FALLS. Or., Oct. 28 .- or

Summer Lake are better. Pointoes are bringing \$1.50 per 100 pounds for fine, unirrigated spuds, in the local market, while apples are selling from \$7.25 to \$1.50 for a 40-pound box. The quality of the fruit is claimed hardly o be up to Goose Valley standard, while the quantity is also lower than usual.

SOIL SURVEY IS MADE

A. T. Strahorn Investigates for U. S.

Department of Agriculture.

MEDFORD, Or., Oct. 28 .- (Special.)-T. Strahorn, of the Bureau of Solls of the United States Department of Agriculture, has just completed a soll survey of the Rogue River Valley which embraces about 440 square miles of the valley lands and lower slopes of the district.

Although Mr. Strahorn is not at lib-erty to make the result of his investi-gation public, it is known that he has found is different soils in the valley and that the map which will later be published by the Government will show each only in a different color. By refere published by the Government will show each soil in a different color. By refer-ring to the same the prospective set-tier or rancher can determine from notations on the map just what the particular soil is best adapted for. The investigation has also shown that there are 3540 acres of bearing provide in Jackaw County, there we

orchards in Jackson County, there for \$1,140 acres planted in trees 2 years old and over, there are 27,720 acres trees less than 2 years old or of 62,500 acres of unsettled land, there are 1013 acres of United States home-stead lands and 1000 acres of state school land.

COLONIST INFLUX HEAVY

Cottage Grove Receives 30 Families

Averaging Five Each.

COTTAGE GROVE. Or., Oct 28.-(Special.)—At least 50 new families have arrived here as a result of the recent low-rate colonist season. This number averaged five to a family, Other families, of which there is no record, have probably come, and many others who came and saw the country will return to siay.

will return to stay. For a period of ten days sleeping ac-commodations were hard to secure. One hotel here cared for 255 transients in one week; and other hostelries were similarly crowded.

Kelso Postal Bank Opens.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Oct. 28.-(Spe-dal.)-The first postal savings bank in Cowlitz County opened in Kelso yesterday morning. Unusually large deposits were made. A line of depositors was at the window to have the distinction of bening the first account, but a postffice employe made the initial deposit before the window was opened

Statue to Ingersoll Unveiled.

PEORIA, Ill., Oct. 28.—Former ad-mirers from all over the United States attended the unveiling today of a statue in honor of Robert G. Ingersol In Glen Oak Park. Charles Frederick Adams, of Boston, was the chief speak

that it will be the first class to grad-uate from the school, makes up for its deficiency in size. Ernest Vosper has been chosen president and is carrying his responsibility well. The June class, on the other hand, is exceptionally large, having close to 50 members on its roles. The officers were elected at the first meeting and were: President, Fred Heitzhausen; secretary, Myrtle Gram; sergeant at arms, Arthur Anderson; editor, Jean-ette Otto. ette Otto. The school orchestra now is comclaim presented by Mrs. William Irvine, of North Aberdeen, for \$1000 damages posed of about 30 members. the right of the city to swing the

are on their way to Portain and whit be placed in service as soon as they arrive. They are designed as motor cars and will be used for that pur-pose when the Mount Hood line be-comes electrified. Meanwhile they will be used in the steam service. The power plant at the junction of The power plant at the junction of the Bull Run and Sandy rivers, which is to supply power for the operation of the system, will be completed by