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On A Teeter Board. North Portland Park.

SIX hundred to 3000 children will splash in the wading pools, toboggan down the low sides disregardful of the annihilating effect on clothing, "skin the cat" on horizontal bars and lounge comfortably in the shade of Portland's eight playgrounds each day this summer between listening to tales and stories, read and told them by the instructors in charge.

The North Parkway playground, the first ever owned and operated by the city, is the most popular in the evening. The City Park grounds are best appreciated and most used on Sundays. In the early morning children begin to come and by evening it is crowded.

Columbia playground is the picnickers mecca. It is here that those people who can get off from the daily grind one day in the week, go to eat their basket lunches and rest. Brooklyn, Sellwood and Lincoln parks average an even daily crowd, while Kenilworth ranks lowest in popularity. The reason for this is that it has not yet been fully equipped.

Peninsula playground is the most liked and the best attended of all. Here are hammocks, swings, tennis courts, trapezes and the slide.

Community House Lures.

It is at this playground that the first community house in the city is being built; a place where families may go to spend their evenings, listening to free lectures, reading popular literature in the rooms set apart for that purpose, exercising in the big municipal gymnasium and bathing in the swimming pools. In this building community lectures may be held, neighborhood glee clubs, orchestras and bands can hold recitals and give free entertainments and questions of political and social interest can be discussed.

It is the community house of the public playground that takes the place of the cheap theater, the beer hall and the green table joints, in the lives of poor laborers and professional men who cannot afford the better class of entertainment. It is the poor man's "club" where he may hold his jinx and where he can meet his neighbor.

With the close of the schools the time of the playground has just begun. At times there are 3000 children playing in the eight different grounds of the city. After the recreation places are overcrowded and the park management is constantly being brought face to face with the fact that there is an insufficiency of equipment. As the Summer wears on and the boys and girls begin to hold inter-park baseball contests, basketball games and tennis tournaments the congestion is bound to become more and more evident.

E. T. Mische, Park Superintendent, is one of those who is taking an interest in the work, and he prophesies that Portland will soon be forced to establish playgrounds in the Central East Side, in South Portland, in Southeast Portland and in North Portland in order to keep up with the demand of the children at all.

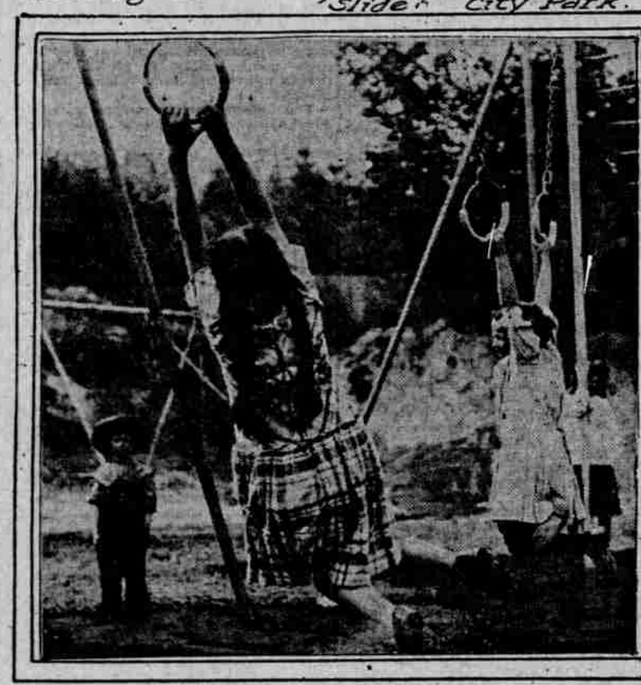
Portland Still Backward.

"Portland is far behind other cities in this respect," declared the Superintendent. "Seattle has 22 playgrounds and four community houses, while Portland, an equally progressive city in other respects, has only eight and no community houses at all.

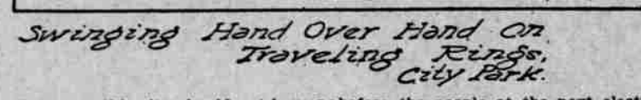
"The community house is the latest development in the movement to furnish municipal amusement places in the poor and congested districts of a city where the ill-paid workmen can assemble and get a little enjoyment out of life. It draws them away from saloons, pool halls and places of like character.

"Chicago has spent $6,000,000 in two years on her playgrounds and community houses alone. Portland can do equally well, according to her size, and there seems to be no reason why within a few years this city should not have a sufficient number of community houses to keep up with the needs of the people. In the Central East Side in particular do we need more playgrounds. Here the children are forced to play in the gutters and about alleys where they come into contact with disease-breeding filth of all kinds; and all because the city does not furnish sanitary playgrounds in this locality. A new bond issue providing for a systematic parking of the city will come up before the people at the next election and they will have a chance to provide, then, for the abolishment of such conditions.

"In North Portland there are no playgrounds, and if I were to try to pick out all the localities in which I know there are demands for such parks I would name pretty nearly every portion of the city. Seattle, with her 22 playgrounds, does not consider herself adequately supplied. Portland has only eight."



Shooting the chutes. They 'Sit Down and Slide' City Park.



Swinging Hand Over Hand on Traveling Rings, City Park.

NEWS FROM THE BEACHES

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E. Collins, New York; U. F. Greenfield, Cleveland; Walter Kniedler, Salem; and the following of Portland: Frank Smith, C. Gooley, Mrs. Charles T. Gooley, S. A. Eyman.

Mr. Routledge, of the Portland Seed Store, with his family, is at Long Beach.

Sig Sichel and his sons are down for a few weeks.

The Long Beach Hotel shows the following for the week ending June 26: J. E. Webber, Seattle; A. E. Van Duzen, South Bend; Mrs. J. L. Beckett and children, Shoshone, Idaho; H. C. Schumacher, Marysville, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Frodsham, Farmington, Utah; George D. Lewis and Mrs. Lewis, Providence, R. I.; E. A. Derland, South Bend; A. E. Bennett, Astoria; and these from Portland: E. Waldman, E. R. Balseger, George H. Hall and Mrs. Hall, E. J. Scott.

It was reported at the beaches that E. J. Scott, a railroad man, had been down to appoint a man at each beach to validate tickets for all the Elks who are expected next week.

The Portland Hotel housed the following Portland people this week, ending June 26: L. J. Wattson, C. D. Baker, Theodore Watthes, J. H. Seymour, P. A. Chittenden, C. W. Pierson, Guy Rogers, Mrs. E. P. Hoglund, F. A. Haskell, Rev. and Mrs. William Potsmith, Ellsworth, Wash.; George F. Crum, Raymond; Charles Stuart and Stuart Taylor, Ocean Park; Miss Sewell, Hillsboro; P. A. Rowe and Miss Rowe, Rockford, Wash.; Mrs. E. C. Simmons and James A. Semple and Mrs. Semple, of Denver; Miss Mary J. Shoulter, Marysville.

T.A. Kindred, with Mrs. Kindred and their daughter, Edna, are living in their cottage at Long Beach.

At the Driftwood cottage the following registered during the week ending June 26: F. A. Coffin, J. F. Theda and Mrs. Theda, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cable, J. M. Albert, Clayton U. Stearns, H. J. McGinty, all of Portland, and Carl Mott, Chehalis; C. H. Ewing, South Bend; E. H. Wright and Elias Pierson, South Bend.

At the Sunset Hotel, Beach Center, Mrs. Dedman has welcomed numerous guests. Many improvements have made the place dearer than ever to those who visit from year to year at Sunset. The register shows Mrs. D. A. Schindler and son, Page, Mrs. L. N. Harmon, Miss Margaret Allen, Mrs. Sarah Allen, Mrs. Laura Herrick, all of Portland; Mrs. Florence Armstrong, Vancouver, B. C.; Mrs. F. B. Swayzee and daughter Doris, son Fred, Jr., of Hermiston, Or.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hoare, who have the Shellburne, have had the following until June 26: Mrs. John Pontius, M. B. Emett, D. M. Raym, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O'Neal, Frederick M. De Neff, John Murphy, Jr., Mrs. A. A. Sanborn, Miss G. Fields, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Seim, William Parker and Mrs. Parker, B. D. Heitschmidt, Carl Schiewe, Leo Schiewe, H. H. Farnham, J. A. Ottesen, F. N. Heath, Arthur Strand, all of Portland; Mrs. E. J. Mason, of Spokane; R. S. Sulzer, San Francisco; Miss Lilley, Scappoose; George Biersdorf, Hillsboro; William Sinclair and mother.

Perhaps the most elaborate of the beach homes on North Beach is that of "N. eapsco" of Mrs. Isam White, high on the ridge near the Breakers, Wash. Built along bungalow lines, with 11 spacious rooms, furnished simply but elegantly in mission furniture, the "Neapsco" is in plain view from any point on the shore line. The color scheme throughout the house is dark brown and red, except the dining-room, where the blue rugs, curtains and embroidered linens and the deep blue water in view give a pretty contrast. A small library in the living-room affords plenty of good reading on dull days and the fireplace is just the spot to huddle close to on some of the rainy days when its blaze cheers the whole room. Mrs. White shows her hospitality to her friends during the Summer by making them her guests. Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Lipman have just returned to Portland, while at present Mrs. C. A. Fichelmer and Mrs. T. A. Frank are with her for the season. The three are contemplating a trip to the Canadian Rockies.

Mrs. David Nelson, accompanied by her small nephew, Master Dick Jacobsen, returned to Portland from Long Beach on Monday, where they had been visiting her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Stewart, for the past three weeks at their cottage by the sea.

BAYOCEAN IS ATTRACTIVE

Event of Week at Coast Resort Is Visit of Portland Party.

BAYOCEAN, Or., June 29.—(Special.)—The event of the week here was the visit of a party of Portland business men, members of the Commercial Club, with their friends. Special entertainment was the order. A dinner, followed by dancing, was given the visitors Wednesday night. There was a constant round of gaiety until the party left for home Thursday afternoon.

On Thursday night, an informal private dance was given, at which many from Tillamook, Bay City and the Garibaldi beaches were present.

Recent organization of two hockey teams is attracting a good deal of attention. The first team includes O. E. Lily, M. R. Colwell, N. S. Kohn and Harold L. Jensen, representing the guests, with Arthur Cavill and Frank McClure, swimming instructors; George D. Lea and Melvin H. Doyle, representing the hotel. Tennis and bowling are proving popular and many take advantage of the presence of the two swimming masters to venture into the surf often.

Among those registered at the hotel during the past week were: N. S. Kohn, W. R. O'Connell, O. S. Schwardmann, R. Schwardmann and George V. James, of Portland; Miss L. G. Hatch, of Salem; Miss C. Murray, of Portland; Miss E. Hawley, of Wichita, Kan.; F. D. Flora and wife, of Portland. These were present at the week-end.

I. C. White, of Portland, was a visitor here during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Lily, of Portland, arrived during the week for an extended visit. Mr. Lily is a hockey enthusiast and was instrumental in organizing competing teams.

B. Casey, of Dallas, was a visitor during the week.

Among the out-of-town visitors here is T. J. Casey, of Butte, Mont.

J. N. Miller and Mrs. Miller, of The Dalles, are visitors here now.

Tillamook was represented here during the week by a number of guests, among whom were Miss Sadie Smith, Miss Pearl Foland, Carl Dawson and Clifford Hiner. E. E. Ginn, representative of the Tillamook press, was also a guest here Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Paul K. Keiss, of St. Louis, is passing a few weeks here.

Miss E. Evert, of New York, arrived during the past week for a short visit. She is delighted with the location and the beauty of the Pacific Coast in comparison with that of the Atlantic.

Miss L. Parker and Miss Genevieve Thompson, of Portland, were guests here during the week.

William Schumann, of Portland, was a visitor here during the week.

Judge and Mrs. Webster Holmes, of Tillamook, made a short visit here last week.

C. J. Caldwell and Mrs. Caldwell, of Portland, arrived last week for a short visit. They are registered at the hotel.

The list of week-end visitors includes M. R. Colwell, of Portland; Mrs. C. P. Chastain, of Klamath Falls; Harold A. Jensen, of Banks, Or.; S. H. Gueber, of Portland; Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Petzel, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Nash and child, and H. Woodhouse, of Portland.

Among the visitors during the first week were J. Wesley Ladd, a prominent banker of Portland, who made only a short stay, being called away to the annual convention of the Oregon State Bankers' Association; S. I. Humphrey and sister, Pauline Humphrey, of Portland; Rollie M. Watson, one of the leading real estate men of Tillamook and prominent "booster"; F. A. Linthicum, a prominent business man of Portland; James W. Merry, of Aberdeen; Dr. Gertrude French, E. W. Grubles and Miss Elma Cox, of Portland; C. A. Hudd, of Hillsboro; John Gebbi, H. A. Forticede, of Portland; Arthur Cavill, the famous swimmer, of Portland; George McClure, who will have charge of the swimming and bathing at the beach during the Summer; Melvin W. Boyle, of Portland; M. E. Demairis, of Walla Walla; A. L. Hartell, of San Francisco; W. R. Miller, of Seattle; William Henshaw and wife, of Portland; J. C. Cooper, of McMinnville; J. A. Taylor, of Spokane; W. A. Sunder and wife, of Seattle; George W. Feldman and wife, of Portland, and R. L. Oliver and S. B. Niel, of Pendleton.

George M. Hyland and wife, of Portland, have arranged to open their cottage here on the first of July.

Mrs. Jack Campbell, of Portland, will arrive early in July and will open up her beach cottage for the Summer. She will be accompanied by her two young sons.

CROWDS SEEK OCEAN PARK

Colony From All Districts Gather at Popular Resort.

OCEAN PARK, Or., June 29.—(Special.)—There is quite a colony of people already assembled for the beach season. The following list shows who are at Ocean Park, many of them in cottages: Katherine Warner, 738 Jefferson street; Ruth Connell, 710 Broadway; Anna Keller, 508 Taylor street; D. G. Warner, 774 Hancock street; Mrs. A. N. Hollister, Mildred Soden, 361 East Third North; Dorothy M. Corinell, T. J. Starker, Mrs. A. Olson, M. F. Hull, Mrs. M. Sutherland, A. U. Silver and family, Mr. and Mrs. U. C. Johnson, Mrs. C. H. Fox, Charles A. Fox, S. McDaniel, Mrs. I. A. Rohrer, Boise, Idaho; Mrs. William Ewing, Spokane, and daughter, Miss Alice Ewing, Mrs. G. E. Wederkind, Spokane; D. F. Vozier, Los Angeles; Avis G. and Rosa B. Chapel, Spokane; George Hibbert, Chinook; C. H. Genning, South Bend; Blanche Beckwith, Eugene; Gordon Van Gundi, Sycamore, O.; Helen M. McGuiel, The Dalles; M. B. Lower, Miss Gregory, Mrs. S. D. Lower, V. M. Lower and N. M. Lower, Spokane.

HOOD RIVER GIRL OF 15 KILLS 300-POUND BEAR IN CENTRAL OREGON.

MISS ADRIENNE EPPING.

HOOD RIVER, Or., June 29.—(Special.)—One of the youngest huntresses of big game in the state is Miss Adrienne Epping, the 15-year-old daughter of J. A. Epping, of this city, who, last week while on a fishing trip with her father on the Metolius River in Central Oregon, killed a 300-pound bear. The youthful Diana handles a rifle with as much skill as any old-timer and the big bruin was brought down by the first shot.

The intrepid young woman declares that she wasn't the least bit frightened when she and her guide discovered the bear in a little ravine near the river. After killing the brute Miss Epping secured a pack horse and brought her quarry to camp. She now has the bear skin as a trophy.

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HEILIG'S LEADING MAN WANTS TO BE CREATOR

Sydney Ayres Returns to Portland to Head Masculine Players in Summer Engagement of Cathrine Countiss, Who Opens Here July 14.

IT is a new and vastly different Sydney Ayres who returned to Portland yesterday. A greater depth of experience, a maturity that is the gift of four added years of hard work and a broader vision mark him, who is to be leading man at the Heilig Theater in the starring Summer engagement of Cathrine Countiss, which begins Sunday, July 14.

In fact, Mr. Ayres practically conceded this when he declared shortly after his arrival yesterday that a man cannot hope to do his best work until 40 Winters and Summers have passed over his head. And as Mr. Ayres today is but 29, it is easily obvious that he has, by his own account, in prospective, yet another 11 years of development.

Ayres has just as much enthusiasm as before. In addition, he has acquired a histrionic temperament that is not the gilt gingerbread often mistaken for the real thing and not the temperament produced for press purposes only. He has learned to participate in other people's joys and to feel their sorrows, and the Ayres that Portland is soon to know again gives every promise of leaving an Ayres that Portland will not soon forget.

E. D. Price, who will manage the starring engagement of Miss Countiss, engaged Mr. Ayres on the reputation that has preceded him in Portland. He said he had never seen Mr. Ayres act.

Career Has Been Varied.

So, at the meeting in Portland, it was quite natural that the conversation should run in the channels of what Mr. Ayres has done since he left the old Baker Theater. Possibly, most people are aware that he played a long season as stock star at Ye Liberty Theater in Oakland, Cal.; later at the Burbank in Los Angeles and the Alcazar in San Francisco, in the same capacity. He filled an engagement with the Selig-Polyscope moving picture concern and was engaged as director by the Angelus concern. It is in the pictures of this latter company that Mr. Ayres has become very familiar to Portlanders, and it was with the initial film, "The Angelus," that he really made himself a name as a producer. Some of the artistic features of this one film are said to have brought Director Ayres world-wide recognition.

Although he never expects to go back to the moving picture game, although he says that he is a firm believer in its educational possibilities, he admits the value of the experience. Some of this gained knowledge he will have the opportunity of employing practically as stage director and producer for the engagement of Cathrine Countiss.

Ayres says he is no longer waiting and anxious for the ripple of applause that sweeps over a crowded theater. He wants, if he can, in future to devote himself to direction. He wants to mold the finished production.

"It was instant recognition that I always craved," he remarked, "but now I prefer to use tact, brains and experience and watch the result myself. I want to be a creator."

Henri Bernstein's "The Thief," in which the engagement for the Summer will open, offers the actor, he thinks, magnificent possibilities.

It will be remembered that it was in his love scenes that Ayres always was able to hold attention, even more thoroughly than in his other parts.

Plays and players, theaters and dramatists—all were scanned in the conversation. The big revolving stage of Ye Liberty Theater hobnobbed mentally with Drury Lane, London, and H. B. Irving satirized, while Wilton Lackaye cracked jokes through the mouth of Ayres. There was a tribute to Bernard Shaw, and a discussion of Gilbert Chesterton.

Sydney Ayres, Who Returns to Portland for Engagement at Heilig Theater.

Curiosity Arouses Likes.

After it had been commented that the great stars of America today were being recruited from the ranks of stock actors, the conversation turned to whether there was a real demand for the salacious. "The play of doubtful tendencies is not encouraged by women alone," remarked Mr. Ayres. "It is true they go out of curiosity, while men go because they know facts and they desire to see how they may be presented. 'The Thief,' for instance, offers tremendous dramatic possibilities, yet it demands a delicacy of treatment that in the hands of Miss Countess I know will be accorded, for it must be remembered that in Portland we shall be playing to young as well as old.

"I believe the doubtful play is over. A man will not take his wife, nor a young man his sweetheart, when the play is not one they can discuss 'tween acts. And in the end that is going to keep the stage clean."

SONS START LIQUOR SUIT

Now Father Goes to Jail Because He Refuses to Testify Frankly.

GRANTS PASS, Or., June 29.—(Special.)—A sensation was sprung in the trial of Lee York yesterday upon alleged charge of selling intoxicating liquor, when James Trimble, a witness for the state, refused to answer a question put to him concerning whether he had had any understanding with York as to the delivery of the liquor or for the purchase of the same.

Judge Johnston issued an order that he be placed in the county jail until 2 o'clock tomorrow, at which time the trial will be resumed.

The whole affair grew out of a bottle of liquor being found in the wash room near the blacksmith shop which Trimble operates. His two sons discovered the hidden bottle and turned it over to the police. Trimble asserts he will stay in the jail and will not tell, no matter how long they keep him there.

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