

"OMAR" IS TO STAY HERE ONLY TWO MORE NIGHTS

Guy Bates Post to Appear in Richard Walton Tully's Persian Spectacle Tonight and Tomorrow Night for Last Time in Portland.



SCENE FROM "OMAR, THE TENTMAKER."

WITH the performances tonight and tomorrow night at the Heilig Portland theater goes will have their last opportunities to see Guy Bates Post in Richard Walton Tully's magnificent Persian spectacle, "Omar, the Tentmaker." Three capacity audiences greeted Mr. Post and his associates Friday and Saturday, and it is hoped that the remainder of the engagement, Mr. Heilig, who purchased...

LINTON SIDE GIVEN

Finances of Town Misrepresented, Avers Writer.

ANNEXATION IS ADVOCATED

Mr. Dieck's Figures, Concurred In by Portland Council, Called Loaded With Errors and Unfair Deductions.

PORTLAND, May 29.—(To the Editor.)—The Telegram credits Linton with a population of 1183. This was the census taken six months before the town obtained its charter, and no one can say on that basis what was the population then within the town's present limits, as enlarged from the original boundaries. That was five years ago, and with the increase in population, the town should have credit for a conservatively estimated population now of at least 2000 persons. Thanks to the Telegram's successful campaign against the liquor traffic, Linton will lose next year about \$2000 in license revenues. Portland's loss on this account will be proportionately greater and the deficit will be made up from a slightly increased tax levy, but the Telegram should be the last to utter any complaint on this score. The Telegram's purported statement of Linton's financial condition may have been taken in part from official figures, but in its entirety it is so inexplicably mixed with errors, guesses and unfair deductions that an expert accountant would find it difficult in harmonizing it with the town's official records.

Town's Finances Analyzed. For elucidation of the Telegram's financial statement discrediting Linton, reference is made to the accompanying analysis of the town's finances. Appended to the published report in form of ballot to be used at the Portland city election in voting on the question of annexing Linton to Portland is a statement purporting to show the resources and liabilities and financial condition of the Town of Linton, which statement is so heavily loaded with errors and unfair deductions that a presentation of some facts in order to make the showing correspond with truth and fairness. The published statement bears the stamp of approval of the City Council of Portland from a report compiled by City Commissioner Dieck, as chairman of a committee whose opposition to the annexation proposition is well known and coincides very peculiarly with the antagonism of certain corporation influences.

\$14,125.74 Asset Omitted. In the exhibit of assets and liabilities the published statement, based on figures furnished by the Town Council of Linton, omits the important item of uncollected taxes amounting to \$14,125.74. It is apparent that Commissioner Dieck's eagerness to discredit Linton has overshadowed the mark. This omitted item added to the difference between assets and liabilities of Linton on May 1, makes the town's net assets \$44,364.25, whereas Commissioner Dieck's production leaves the reader to figure out for himself the town's net assets.

Again, Commissioner Dieck's effusion in figures, which was concurred in by the Portland Council, evidently without deliberation upon the official statement before the body, omits \$50 as the probable revenues of Linton for the remainder of this year, making, with the \$14,125.74 of uncollected taxes, \$1,048.74 with which the town's estimated expenses until December 31, assuming annexation would not occur.

Distance 4 1/2, Not 7 Miles. In basing it should be noted that Commissioner Dieck's report to the City Council publishes as a fact that from the Union Depot in Portland to the center of Linton the distance is seven miles, and that from the city boundary to Linton is five miles. The fact is, and official maps show it, that from the Union Depot to the center of Linton it is four and one-half miles. It is one and one-half miles from the Union Depot to the boundary between Portland and Linton and three miles additional from there to the center of Linton. This is a relatively small matter, but the City Commissioner, who is so violently opposed to Linton becoming part of Portland, is by profession presumed to be one who persists in proceeding along lines of exactness.

from the management of the attraction the local engagement in order to clear his patrons a regular \$2 production for \$1, will be highly elated at the success of his venture. If anything, Mr. Post's remarkable impersonation of Omar Khayyam has mellowed and strengthened during the year that has elapsed since he first played the part here, while he is surrounded by the same superb company and massive scenic environment that characterized his former visit.

land Council, which it should be repeated was accepted as the result of Commissioner Dieck's investigations, sets out that it would have been necessary to raise by tax levy \$25,171.92 in 1914, based on Portland's levy, but the fact is only \$20,979.60 was necessary to be raised by taxation for last year's expenses.

Tax Levy 7.5 Mills. Linton's tax levy (for municipal purposes) last year was 7.5 mills, slightly lower than Portland's, while for the current year the levy was 10 mills, the increase being to pay for constructing the water works system beyond the station realized from the original bond issue of \$100,000. There will be no necessity for levying more than 8 mills next year, if annexation fails, to carry on the town government, making full allowance for the loss of revenues from liquor licenses after the end of this year. It is certain that next year's assessed valuations in Linton will exceed \$1,000,000 compared with \$1,529,080 for this year. Right now Linton has as much assessed valuation per capita as Portland has.

Another fact that should have been brought out by way of comparison is that tax levies for all purposes this year in Linton were 21.8 mills, as against 23.1 mills in Portland, a difference of 1.3 mills in Linton's favor. In 1913 the difference was 3 mills in Linton's favor, the town's levy alone being 7.10 of a mill lower than Portland's city tax rate.

Water System Held Asset. It is true that Linton is paying Portland \$1000 yearly for the privilege of connecting with the Bull Run pipe line, plus \$861.65 as the yearly interest at 6 per cent on the cost of extending the 15-inch pipe from Twenty-sixth and Nicolai streets to the city boundary. In addition Linton pays meter rates for all water used, the rates being higher than prevail in Portland. Linton's water distributing system is worth to Portland all it has cost the town, if annexation be accomplished, an asset, rather than an incumbrance, as some opponents would have the voters believe.

Linton will benefit from absorption by Portland and Portland will benefit also. The advantage of annexation will be mutual. Linton is now a valuable resource to Portland and the valuations of taxable property in the suburb will increase more rapidly because of its six miles of river frontage than will almost any other part of Portland. The entire question of annexation should be treated in a broad, liberal and fair spirit. Portland cannot grow in importance and gain further prestige by treating its suburbs inconsistently.

If this question were up for consideration in Seattle or Los Angeles, there would be no hesitancy in welcoming the suburban town to become part of the larger city. If St. Johns is to be annexed to Portland, so should Linton be taken in. Economics can be enforced and duplications cut out in municipal administrations to the profit and advantage of the larger Portland and its two neighboring units.

J. B. SCHAEFER.

PRIMA DONNA WHO IS APPEARING AT OAKS PARK THIS WEEK.



INFORMATION FOR TOURISTS

Mountain, River and Beach Resorts Where To Take a Short Trip Out of Portland

Herewith is a list of short trips in and about Portland. If you are in doubt about any point, or the trip you have heard about is not mentioned here, call at the Information Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce or phone them—Bell Phone, Broadway 520 or Automatic, A 6091. Information will gladly be given. Literature of interesting points furnished—Time Cards, Beach and Mountain Resort literature. The Oregonian asks the names and addresses of tourists for publication. Enclose your business card with names of your party to Summer Resort Dept., The Oregonian, Portland.

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PRIMA DONNA WHO IS APPEARING AT OAKS PARK THIS WEEK. Miss Tryon. This entire programme is given free afternoon and evening in the open air and during the best of the season. The Punch and Judy show. Programme is Free.

THE TROUBADOURS. The Troubadours will be seen in a musical skit, "The Spanish Senorita," which serves as a medium to introduce all the late popular songs in choral numbers.

UNITED ARTISANS IN FIVE SERIES OF BALLETS. With more than 100 members in the cast, the performances of "A Night in Fairyland" under the auspices of the United Artisans are creating considerable interest among the members.

RAILWAY BEING CONSTRUCTED. A gigantic telescope has just been erected at the Oaks, and it is believed will prove a popular feature.

SCENE FROM "A NIGHT IN FAIRYLAND." With more than 100 members in the cast, the performances of "A Night in Fairyland" under the auspices of the United Artisans are creating considerable interest among the members.

SENATOR OLIVER EXPECTED. Pennsylvania Statesman to Visit Portland During Rose Festival. George T. Oliver, United States Senator from Pennsylvania, will visit Portland within a few weeks and doubtless will be entertained here by former residents of Pennsylvania.

HOW I DARKENED MY GRAY HAIR. Lady Gives Simple Home Recipe That She Used to Darken Her Gray Hair. For years I tried to restore my gray hair to its natural color with the prepared dyes and stains, but none of them gave satisfaction and they were all expensive.