

**THE OLD RELIABLE**



SCHOOL BOARD ADVJOURNS—Owing to the absence of several members of the board of school directors, the meeting which was called for yesterday was postponed, and will be held later in the week. Teachers will be assigned at the meeting.

**GREAT BILL AT THE UNIQUE**

MULTITUDE OF ATTRACTIONS TO AMUSE THE PUBLIC

To choose from among the list of gilt-edged attractions offered at the Unique theater this week is indeed a puzzle, the program exceeding any previous offering of this popular house. The management of the only playhouse open in Astoria this summer presents a first-class array of high class stars this week. Topping the posters is the team of Davis and DeHeerde, a duo of novelty artists whose act is replete with sensational features. This team comes direct from the east, and none better has been seen on the Pacific coast. Their dancing is without doubt among the greatest of its kind on the vaudeville stage today. Joe Whitehead is doing the monologue turn this week, and he is a whole dynamo of wit and humor, as well as a swell dancer. Whitehead is the champion lightheater of the United States, and he wears more smiles to prove his title than a Spanish admiral. A new illustrated song entitled "Just Next Door," is on the program, and the Vitaphone offers some new and novel moving pictures. The company gives a matinee each day at 2:30.

**.. Social and Personal ..**

Miss Gertrude Kearney spent Sunday at Seaside.  
 Judge Frank J. Taylor is out of town and will return today.  
 Mrs. E. H. Bell and Miss Evelyn Bell of Portland are visiting in the city.  
 Grover Utzinger has accepted a position with the Astoria National Bank.  
 Mrs. G. W. Hume and C. B. Hume of Oakland, Cal., are the guests of W. R. Hume.  
 Rev. Oscar Ostrom went up to Blind slough yesterday evening to remain until tomorrow.  
 Miss Lulu Estes left for McMinnville yesterday, where she goes to attend a wedding.  
 Dr. and Mrs. T. L. Hall have as guests Mayor J. E. Bashor and family of Grants Pass.  
 Mrs. W. L. McEwan is entertaining her daughter Mrs. La Plante of Grants Pass.  
 Miss Bertha M. Sumner, general organizer of the Wood-raft, of Portland is in the city.  
 Manager C. H. Callender of the Knappton mill, transacted business in the city yesterday.  
 Attorney Donovan and Delebert Smith were passengers on the Columbia yesterday for California.  
 Hon. Alex Sweek of Portland, a member of the last house of representatives, was in the city yesterday.  
 The ladies of the First Lutheran church will meet tomorrow afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Chas. Bergman.  
 A marriage license was issued yesterday to C. E. Turner of New York City and Miss D. M. Casey of Clatsop county.  
 Miss Nellie Busey went out to Young's river falls yesterday where she will remain this week the guest of Miss Mary Brayne.  
 H. E. Noble, the well-known Portland attorney, came up from Seaside yesterday on business and left for Portland in the evening.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dirke of Portland who have been guests of Mrs. K. Osburn for several days left for San Francisco yesterday.  
 Harrison Allen left for Seaside last night. Mrs. Allen will leave for Cannon beach today, where they will spend their summer outing.  
 Government Inspectors Edwards and Fuller of Portland are in the city, they inspected the steamship Canby and Nahcotta yesterday.  
 Mrs. Captain Haslam and little son Archie came down from Cathlamet yesterday on the steamer Lurline and in the evening left for Portland.  
 Lieut. Col. Charles Humphreys, accompanied by Lieut. A. F. Brewster, of Fort Stevens, were in the city yesterday. They left for Portland on an official business trip.  
 L. E. Selig returned from Bergman's ranch Gray's river on Sunday to see the manager of the Margarita Fisher Opera Co., which arrived in the city on Sunday. He returned to the ranch yesterday.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Smith, Jr. left for Seattle yesterday after a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Warren. They were married at The Dalles Wednesday, and will make their home in Seattle.  
 Invitations have been received from the sergeants at Fort Stevens to a social dance to be held at Post hall on Saturday, August 15. The steamer Major Guy D. Howard will leave Fishers' wharf at 7:45, returning to Astoria after the dance.  
 Wanted—Girl to wait on table. Apply at once. Central hotel.  
 Two ironers wanted. Apply at Troy Laundry.  
 Have you seen those new fall shirts in stiff and soft bosom at Hiram Wise's?  
 Tan shoes are rapidly gaining in favor and are seen in the various shops.  
 There are now over 6,528 divorced people in the United States, of whom over two thirds are women.  
 Cleopatra, who by her fascination and beauty, charmed so many of the men of her time, was short and stout.  
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 For full information call on or address, H. Dickinson, city ticket agent, 122 Third street Portland, Ore.  
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**BASEBALLISTS MEET.**

New York, July 27.—Pursuant to a call issued by Secretary Davis of the Protective Association of Professional Ball Players half a dozen players have come to this city but, after a short talk the secretary announced that the meeting had been postponed subject to calling on the absence of a quorum.  
 ENGLAND TO TRY AGAIN.  
 The English people seem determined in their efforts to capture the cup which the Americans have held for so many years. To this end a new challenge is being sent over and the races next month will determine which is the better boat. The best medicine in the world for curing all stomach, bowel and kidney disorders is the famous Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. During the summer it will be found very beneficial as a tonic, also to keep the bowels regular, without which you cannot enjoy good health. Be sure to give it a trial. It will restore the appetite, purify the blood, promote sound sleep, and positively cure flatulency, nausea, headache, sour stomach, dyspepsia, indigestion, and liver troubles. The genuine is for sale by all druggists.

**CRIPPLING RURAL DELIVERY.**

There is a belief in the west that a recent ruling of the postoffice department will seriously cripple the rural free delivery of mails. The ruling is to the effect that no free-delivery route shall be continued unless 100 families are served and 3,000 pieces of mail matter are handled monthly. Under this ruling it is said, 90 per cent of the routes in Nebraska, Minnesota, Iowa and the Dakotas will be discontinued. There may have been too rapid extension of the free-delivery service in some of the states. Many of the routes may fall below the standard contemplated under the law under which they were established and there may have been reckless expenditure in extending the system. But it is undeniable that the extension of the free-delivery service has been of great benefit to our rural population.

**BIDS FOR PAINTING**

Astoria, Oregon, July 17, 1903. Bids will be received at the office of the School Clerk from the date hereof, until August 1, 1903, for the painting of the Alderbrook school house and for the painting of the Adair school house, two coats each, the work to be done in a good and workmanlike manner, and to the satisfaction of the Board of Directors, the work to be fully completed by September 20, 1903. All material to be furnished by the Board. Bids for painting the roofs of said buildings, to be for one coat work, the Directors reserve the right to reject any and all bids.  
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