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AT THE STAR THEATER.

The third performance of "The Side-walks of New York" at the Star last evening drew an attendance that filled this popular playhouse to capacity before 8 o'clock, despite the fact that the play was not scheduled to begin until 8:15.

The Swain company is beyond question the strongest dramatic aggregation that has ever appeared in this city and the attendance that has characterized every performance testifies to the



Bert Frank, with the Mack Swain company, now playing at the Star theater.

appreciation of Astoria's theater going public.

Mr. Swain in the role of Horace Greengage Dobbins is without doubt one of the cleverest interpreters of bucolic comedy that has ever appeared in the West and has already installed himself permanently in the hearts of the patrons of the Star.

Tonight, Barrie's masterpiece, "The Little Minister," will undoubtedly draw tremendous patronage as this is one of the most beautiful and well known plays that has ever appeared on the Pacific coast.

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PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR PUBLIC WORK—Office Construct in Quartermaster, Ft. Columbia, Wash., Sept. 12, 1906. Sealed proposals, in triplicate, for extensions to plank roads and walks at Fort Columbia, Wash., will be received at this office until 12 m., October 2, 1906, and then opened. Information furnished on application. Envelopes containing proposals should be endorsed "Proposals for Public Work at Fort Columbia, Wash.," and addressed to F. W. Phisterer, Capt. Arty. Corps. Quartermaster in charge construction, Fort Columbia, Wash.



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SEVENTY-FIVE NEW CITIZENS

BIG GROUP OF PEOPLE CLOSE IN ON THEIR PRIVILEGES OF NATURALIZATION UNDER THE OLD LAW—NEW ACT EFFECTIVE TODAY.

At midnight last night the operation of the old laws in regard to the formal naturalization of foreign-born citizens of this country, expired, and all future processes will be had under the provisions set up by the late and last Congress.

To meet the emergencies and avoid the additional waiting and trouble incident to the more rigorous law now in effect, there has been a constant string of applicants at the office of the county clerk for the perfection of the privilege of citizenship by those most nearly affected, seventy-five good men and true, have taken the necessary oaths, and paid the customary "V" into the treasury, in this behalf, and the judges, the clerk and the deputies, have had their hands full day by day. Some twenty sets of papers were made out and delivered on Monday, another score on Tuesday and thirty-five sets went out yesterday, to the following named people, to-wit: Bernhard Jililwik, Samson Kroger, Charles Siverson, Arne Wahl Olans Thorvik, Elling M. Rortvedt, Edward Engbretson, Erick Dubvik, Harvey Movik, Lars Olsen, John Klinger, all natives of Norway.

Victor Aulin, Henry W. Matson, Victor Carlson, Victor Heino, Laur Lahti, Henri Tuohina, Olaf Palo, Matt. Hautala, Henry Johnson, Axel Jacobson, William Matson, John Raitanen, Evert Lisanantti, and Aldrick Mattson, natives of Finland.

John Sundquist, William Bostrom, of Russia.

Carl C. Moberg, Carl J. Christiansen, Otto Nilsson, Eric Nelson, natives of Sweden.

Henry Friedlander, of Germany; Anton Kuljis, of Austria; John Capi, of Greece; Anton Theodoseo, of Turkey.

Declarations of intention in the matter of American citizenship have been just as plentiful all during the week, and perhaps, numerically, more so, yesterday's quota in this behalf showing the following list of names: Ole Stone, Peter Wik, Karl Aase, Ingrass Grotting, of Norway; Henry Quappi, John Hill and Appo Koski, of Finland; Charles and Alex Johnson, of Sweden.

—rather slow time for the rough-rider style of "getting there," as it is done in America. The distance covered was fifty-four miles, and the result was practically a dead heat between the contestants, one troop of which represented Queensland and the other Canada.

THEY ARE HERE.

Another big shipment of the San Francisco earthquake books have just arrived at the Astorian office and are ready for subscribers. Come early and avoid the rush.

In a Formal Session—The Clatsop county court met in adjourned session yesterday. Judge Trenchard presiding, with Commissioner William Larsen in attendance, Commissioner Matson being unavoidably absent. Bids were opened in behalf of the furnishing the county with township plats for use in the assessor's office in the making up of the realty rolls for assessment; they were as follows: R. C. F. Astbury, \$8,500; G. Wingate, \$5,500; F. J. Nelson, of Oregon City, \$2,050. The bid of the last named was accepted by the court and his bonds in the premise fixed at \$1,000. The court appointed August Juhrs, supervisor of road district No. 1, and the clerk was ordered to notify F. O. Main, former supervisor, to appear in court and make settlement. He owes the sum of \$89 in this behalf.

WELL WORTH TRYING.

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MAYOR LANE'S BOMB.

Shows Portland Council That Southern Pacific Has No Title to Franchise.

PORTLAND, Sept. 26.—Mayor Lane exploded a bombshell at the meeting of the City Council this afternoon by declaring in a message that the Southern Pacific was illegally holding its railway franchise on Fourth street; that it had no right, whatever to the use of this street and that the company should be made to get off or obtain a franchise in the manner prescribed by the city charter.

Mayor Lane has been delving into musty records and unearthing old grants and franchises for weeks, and he has been assisted in his work by able legal talent. As a result of this investigation, he discovered that the Northern Pacific Terminal company did not have any authority to hold possession of a number of streets in the Northern Pacific Terminal yards, with which "big stick" he forced the manager of the Terminal company to promise to deed a site for an engine-house to the city. Had this promise not been forthcoming, a squad of policemen, armed with sledge hammers and crowbars would have been ordered to tear up the track and warehouses which have been constructed in the streets belonging to the city.

He declares that the Southern Pacific has no right whatever on Fourth street, and believes that the corporation can be made to abandon its traffic at the will of the council.

The franchise on Fourth street was granted to the Oregon Central Railroad Company of Portland December 30, 1868. There are no provisions whatever in the ordinance permitting this franchise to be assigned to any other party, although the Oregon & California Railway, which is a branch system of the Southern Pacific, now owns the road. It is claimed by the mayor that a transfer of this grant by the original company without consent of the city council of Portland, is illegal and that as soon as the grant passed out of the hands of the Oregon Central Railway Company it became null and void. In many other respects, he said, the provisions of the franchise had not been complied with.

Charter Work—The charter commission held a brief session at the city hall last evening, in which they reviewed the work done to date, and made plans for the closing up of other important issues at the next regular meeting. The absence of many members and other engagements precluded any very definite work last night.

FINNISH MESSAGES.

Miss Olga Landen, Room 6, Prithian Bldg., Commercial St. Phone Black 2165

LEFT SWITCH OPEN.

Awful Results of Freight Trainmen's Inattention to Duty.

DANVILLE, Ill., Sept. 26.—Passenger train No. 8 of the Wabash Railroad, running from Kansas City to Buffalo, N. Y., known as the Buffalo Mail, and due in this city at 4:52 a. m., ran into an open switch west of Catlin, Ill., early today and crashed into a section of a freight train. All the passenger cars but one were turned over and burned.

Four are known to have been killed and several others are missing. Thirty-seven injured are being taken care of at the local hospitals.

The latest reports show four killed, two missing and between thirty-five and forty injured, when the fast passenger on the Wabash dashed through an open switch and crashed into a freight standing on the siding today. The cause of the wreck as given by General Manager Miller was "caused by the crew of the freight leaving the switch open."

RESIGNED HIS PASTORATE.

Then Reverses His Decision Because Another Preacher Did the Same.

CHICAGO, Sept. 26.—The determination of one south side minister to leave his pastorate became known yesterday. His reason was the "city problem," the changing character of neighborhoods and the invasion of his parish by more transient and less church-going population. At the same time another south side minister who had decided to leave reversed his decision and elected to stay because he saw a vast work ahead in purifying the region of which his church is the center.

The minister who announced his resignation is the Rev. Willard Brown Thorp of South Congregational church, Drexel boulevard and Fortieth street. He has been a pastor there for seven years. The preacher who altered his decision to leave is the Rev. Johnston Myers of Immanuel Baptist church, Twenty-third street and Michigan avenue, chief of the Twenty-second street "Levee." He had been offered the position of general evangelist by the Baptist church of America.

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KILLED ELDER BROTHER.

Then Hides Under Dead Boy's Bed and Remains in Remorse.

CHICAGO, Sept. 26.—Angered because his brother Henry, two years his senior, refused to share a penny's worth of candy with him, Fred Fanter, aged four, hurled a large stone at the former, striking him in the right temple and inflicting injuries from which the child died last night.

Fred crawled under the bed in which his dead brother lay as soon as he saw the result of his act, and up to a late hour last night neither the child's parents nor his sisters and brothers had succeeded in inducing him to come out from his hiding place.

FAMOUS HORSE DEAD.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—Announcement was made today of the death of

La Tosca, a famous racing mare, at General Sanford's Hurricane farm at Amsterdam, N. Y. La Tosca was the dam of such good racing horses as Chuctanunda, Caughnawaga and Mohawk II.

BODY IS RECOVERED.

WICHITA, Kans., Sept. 26.—A special to the Eagle from Hennessey, Oklahoma, says the partially decomposed body of a mail clerk by the name of Gamel, of Fort Worth, Texas, who was killed in the Rock Island wreck, was recovered at noon today, a mile and a half below the bridge where the accident occurred.

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