

TOWN TOPICS

Items of Local Interest for Busy Journal Readers.

Oregon council No. 1552, Royal Arcanum, installed the following officers last Tuesday evening: Regent, J. E. Werlein; vice-regent, R. A. Schmalz; orator, L. L. Loomis; past regent, A. M. Oakes; secretary, F. C. Hoosier; collector, H. C. Weber; treasurer, H. C. Hutchinson; chaplain, J. W. Bushong; guide, W. H. Smith; warden, Dr. G. S. Barrett; trustee, Henry Ross, J. W. Hutchinson being the installing officer.

\$750 in realty will be given away the 15th day of January, at Estacada. Every person present that day will have a chance to secure a residence or business lot free—without investing a single penny. The parties who are successful in this free gift of a homestead will receive a warranty deed from the Oregon Water Power Townships Co. before leaving the city of Estacada, on the day of sale.

Suit to recover \$340.50 for the alleged violation of the terms of a lease to the store building at 255 Alder street was filed in the circuit court yesterday by Thomas C. Bodley, a florist, against J. W. Talbot and E. F. Shawbrook, the owners of the property. Bodley alleges that he entered into an agreement with the owners of the property, whereby he was to have the use of the premises for a monthly rental of \$30. He paid one month in advance, he says, with the understanding that a written lease would be prepared and presented to him. Notwithstanding the agreement, he avers that the property was refused him and that he was compelled to acquire quarters at 124 Fifth street at a monthly rental of \$75.

The "at home" to be given by the high Masons at the new temple on Morrison and Fifteenth streets this evening is expected to be the best entertainment of this character ever undertaken in the city. After a select program, a grand ball will take place. The committee are as follows: Invitation, W. C. Knighton, Sig Sichel, V. A. Avery, V. C. Dunning and Thomas McCusker; music, R. W. Hoyt, Dr. W. A. Cumming, W. W. Appleton, Joseph Polivka and J. H. Burgard; refreshments, W. C. Francis, W. D. Fenton, F. W. Valle, J. G. Mack and Col. J. McCracken; reception, floor and decorations, E. C. Rummel, Dr. A. E. Mackay, J. E. Werlein, C. W. F. Tucker and J. B. W. Cleland.

Efforts are being made by the members of the local grange, Patrons of Husbandry, to secure for Portland the national convention of this organization, which meets in November. On January 13 a meeting will be held in the city to transact important business and to try and make arrangements for the gathering here next fall. There will be present State Master Leody of Oregon, State Master Wing of Washington, W. H. Hillary, Marion county; Frank Boggs, secretary Washington State grange; Mr. Scott of Linn county; John Whiteaker of Benton county; A. F. Miller, Multnomah county; Thomas Paulsen, G. C. Stephenson and many of the patrons from the Northwest.

The Royal Bakery and Confectionery brought new ideas to Portland, and these have been appreciated to an extent that the concern is on the boom every hour of the day. Its lubkuchen, stollen, baumkuchen and pfeffernusse are delicacies of the town and the Portland public has been quick to recognize their appetizing qualities. The bakery has not a superior in the United States. Drop in and sample them at Washington and Park streets.

Arrangements are being perfected to take Mrs. W. A. Brown, a blind woman of Woodland, to the Good Samaritan hospital, where Dr. J. F. Dickson, the oculist, has volunteered to perform an operation in an attempt to restore to the unfortunate woman her sight. The husband is also blind. The couple are very poor and the treatment and the stay at the hospital are furnished gratis, through the efforts of neighbors who have interested themselves in the sad case.

Round trip excursion tickets, Portland to Estacada and return, now on sale at the office of the Oregon Water Power and Railway company, to persons desiring to attend the great auction sale of city lots at Estacada on January 12. These tickets will be sold at 75 cents each, and will be good only on trains leaving Portland at 7:40 and 9 o'clock of that day.

Daniel Drew has resigned as chaplain of the Grand Army of the Republic. At a meeting to be held in East Portland on the night of January 23 his successor will be appointed. The date for the next annual encampment at Hood River will be fixed at that time.

On a charge of robbing Megler's store at Megler's Landing of \$250 a few

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night ago, Charles Meehan was arrested at Kalama yesterday. Meehan is accused of entering the store with a skeleton key and rifling the till. He was tracked to Portland and spent some time here, where he is said to have spent much money gambling. Detectives Kerrigan and Snow took up the clues and the result was that the man was taken into custody.

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The members of the Sunnyside camp No. 319, W. O. W., met last night to install officers for the coming year. The degree team of Prospect camp was present and assisted in the initiation of two candidates, the work of the degree team under the command of J. B. Barnes being perfect. A large crowd of Woodmen was present. The new officers of Sunnyside camp are: J. C. Dender, C. C. Arthur, Williamson, A. L. M. E. Gruber, banker, Thomas Hamner, R. S. M. R. Raymond, manager; Lincoln Jones, sentry.

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Here is the best recipe known for making a friddle cake from Violet Oats, the best known breakfast and health food in the United States: Two well-beaten eggs, 2 cups U. S. mills Violet or Cream Rolled Oats, 1/2 cup flour, 1 1/2 cups buttermilk with teaspoon soda, add pinch of salt. Whichhouse Cook Book given away with every 20 coupons, and there is a coupon in every package.

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The White Corner store is preparing for its annual clearance sale, which will be inaugurated next Monday. This fine mercantile concern has waited to this time so that it could complete its stock-taking, and now all goods have been marked down to astonishingly low prices. The Portland public will see some figures in the White Corner store tomorrow that will open its eyes. Watch out for it.

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Physical culture for all. \$4.00 for 1 month's course. Two evenings a week. Fine gymnasium and baths. Private treatment for health, vitality, Ringier Physical Culture school, 309 Alder street, phone Main 1951. Consultation and catalogue free.

The clothes line thief is again at work and it is evident he is trying to furnish some woman's wardrobe. Before daylight yesterday he visited the home of Mrs. S. Yarn, 208 Chickadee street, and stole a lace insertion skirt and a white waist. He did not take any of the many other garments on the line.

Dr. R. B. Northrup and family are now happily installed in their elegant new home on the east side in Hawthorne addition, 607 Taylor street. Many are the new homes—elaborate ones, too, that are going up in Hawthorne and Ladd additions.

There are laundries and laundries, but only in Portland employing the celebrated steam-heated polisher that does not burn or weaken the fiber of the linen. Union Laundry, Second and Columbia.

Don't spoil a sewed shoe by putting a nailed half sole on. We sew them on "while you wait." Goodyear Shoe Repair company, near Gas company's office, Yamhill street.

A good opportunity to lay in a stock of choice fiction for the next three months' reading at Ewing's. One-half price sale of recent novels not 1903 issues. Fourth and Yamhill.

A meeting will be held January 22 by the Alumni association of the Central school to make arrangements to take into membership the class which graduates in February.

Time trains will leave First and Alder street for Estacada, the day set for the auction sale of lots of the new city. First train, 7:40 a. m. and second train at 9 a. m.

Please do not guilty were entered in the state circuit court today by James St. James, E. L. Parley and L. Connors. Each is charged with larceny.

Special prayer services are being held each evening this week at the First Methodist Episcopal church, corner of Taylor and Third streets.

Fine day! Buy Meredith's umbrellas. Repairing and recovering. Two stores—Washington and 5th, Morrison and 5th.

Patrons of the Savoy say it's eating is unsurpassed. Opposite old Postoffice. To reduce his stock, Ewing, the book-seller, offers \$1.50 fiction at 75 cents.

500 Bargains.

Eilers Piano House selling that immense number of pianos at wholesale.

The finest collection ever seen. Co-operative buying the most economical and satisfactory. Clubs filling rapidly.

Co-operative piano buying affords every retail purchaser the same advantage that a wholesale purchaser enjoys. Eilers Piano House now has five flourishing piano clubs, every one of which is filling with astonishing rapidity. Each club admits 10 members, and every member gets his piano at wholesale. Every piano in the immense collection is brand new, and the most choice of its class.

CLUB "A." Pianos in a great variety of makes and styles that sell regularly for \$225, \$250, \$275 and \$300, can be obtained by club members for \$115, \$137, \$165 and \$178. Payments down \$5, weekly payments \$1.25.

CLUB "B." In this club are to be found the choicest Marshall & Wendell, Ricca & Son, Wason and the beautiful Baldwin pianos, in great variety at such prices as \$185, \$214, \$225, etc. Payments are only \$5 down and \$1.50 a week.

CLUBS "C," "D" and "E." The best and most widely known makes in the country, such as the Hobbart M. Cable, Yone, Lester, Pease, Schumann, Bush & Gerts, graded in the three clubs according to style and finish. Payments in Club "C," \$12 down and \$2 a week; in Club "D," \$20 down and \$2.50 a week, and in Club "E," the highest club, which includes the very choicest Weber, Kimball and Chickering pianos, both upright and grand, payment down \$25, remainder to suit customers, but all to be paid within two years.

Delivery made immediately upon selection of instrument. Every instrument fully guaranteed and money back in every instance where there is not absolute satisfaction. Eilers Piano House, the most responsible as well as the most popular piano concern on the Pacific Coast, No. 351 Washington street, corner Park.

NEW STEAMER. Inspector Barnes went to Rainier this morning to secure official measurements of the new river steamer Nestor. The vessel belongs to C. P. Stayton and sons of Cathlamet, Wash.

For Mrs. Hastings. From the Sheboygan (Wis.) Herald. W. A. Bradley is building a large hog house for Mrs. Hastings.

AMUSEMENTS. Marquam Grand Theatre W. T. Fangle, Res. Mgr. Tonight and Every Night this Week. With a Special Matinee Saturday, The Rural Drama.

"WAY DOWN EAST" Evening prices—\$1.50, \$1.75, 50c, 50c, 25c. Matinee prices—\$1.75, 50c, 50c, 25c.

Marquam Grand Theatre W. T. Fangle, Res. Mgr. One week beginning Mon. Jan. 14, 1904. matinee Sat., the brilliant actress, FLORENCE ROBERTS.

PATTI The advance sale of seats will open next Monday Morning, January 11, 1904. At the Box Office of the Marquam Grand Theatre for Adeline Patti's Concert in this city at The Armory, January 14, 1904.

CORDRAY'S THEATRE Cordray & Russell, Managers. Phone Main 992. TONIGHT, AND ALL WEEK, Jessie Shirley Company IN THE SOCIETY PLAY, "A MODERN MAGDALEN"

THE BAKER THEATRE Phone Main 607. GEO. L. BAKER, Sole Lessee and Manager. Tonight—All Week—Matinee Saturday and Sunday—The Powerful Drama THE IRONMASTER

At the White Horse Tavern A PICTURESQUE COMEDY. Adapted from the German by Sydney Rosenfeld. FIRST TIME AT BAKER THEATRE.

ARCADIE THEATRE SEVENTH AND WASHINGTON. REFINED VAUDEVILLE 7:30 to 10:30. SUNDAY CONTINUOUS FROM 2 TO 10:30. FOR LADIES, GENTLEMEN AND CHILDREN. ADMISSION TEN CENTS TO ANY SEAT.

FRITZ THEATRE 240-241 BURNSIDE. FRED FRITZ, Prop. W. H. BROWN, Mgr. THE HOME OF VAUDEVILLE Two shows daily at 2 and 8 p. m.

CONCERT HALL—BLAZIER BROS. CONCERT EVERY NIGHT. 242-248 BURNSIDE.

OLDS, WORTMAN & KING The Home of Quality and Worth. Portland's Biggest and Best Daylight Store. Announces Following Extra Special Bargain Values for A Rapid-Fire Saturday Selling. In addition to the fact that ABSOLUTELY EVERY ARTICLE IN ALL THIS VAST SELLING SPACE—ALL BETWEEN BASEMENT FLOOR BELOW and the GREAT ROOF ABOVE—this greatest, daylight, shopping place on the Pacific coast (except a very few goods, bought from makers, who alone control price.) IS UNMERCIFULLY REDUCED IN PRICE. ALLI EVERYTHING! as above, is sold at special bargain price during the great Annual January Clearance Sale. However, Saturday selling lasts but 10 hours—8 a. m., 'til 6 p. m.—when we say the day is finished and our doors swing closed upon a week's work well done. This is a "daylight store," because we are satisfied to do our selling in the daytime. Night storekeeping has a flavor of provincialism, suggesting the country grocery, where villagers gather for gossip and sight-seeing, rather than for business. It is discontinued by the foremost merchants of all large cities. We believe we can save our customers their entire satisfaction during regular hours, and shall not impose unnecessary hardships upon our employes merely for our own gain. We close at 6 p. m. every day of the week—Saturday included.

SALE OF WOMEN'S UNDERGARMENTS. Large and busy as this store is, it is not large enough or busy enough for topsy-turvy methods or goods. Everything about this great White Sale of ours is orderly and systematic. Notwithstanding the tremendous selling of the past eight days you may come this morning and find stocks complete, well arranged and fresh. ECONOMY FLAKES FALL THICK AND FAST AMID THIS "WHIRL OF WHITE." Wall street has been bulling the Cotton Market smartly of late—still this is not the real reason for the high market price of cotton goods likely to rule another season. THE ACTUAL FACT IS THAT FOUR TIMES MORE COTTON IS REQUIRED BY AMERICAN MILLS ALONE—LEAVING OUT EUROPE ALTOGETHER, (three quarters of whose cotton we supply)—THAN EXISTS. The franks of Wall street are but a travesty—a business farce. THE COTTON FIELDS OF AMERICA HAVE NOT PRODUCED, THE PAST SEASON, BALES ENOUGH TO RUN OUR AMERICAN MILLS. It is said by leading Eastern papers that at least a quarter of our mills must shut down because there is not enough cotton in the world to supply them. SUCH A CONDITION IS ACTUAL TODAY—NOT IMAGINARY. Why then should you allow the sun to set again ere you've supplied your White Goods wants? SAVE ON UNDERMUSLINS and SAVE TODAY. When the sun sets upon this great "White Fair Sale" the prices will rise from the opposite horizon. SELECT THE DAINY UNDERMUSLINS AT SAVING PRICES HINTED AT BELOW. All our French Hand-Embroidered and Made Lingeries are included in this Annual Clearance Sale. Made of dainty, fine Nainsook and Lawns, embroidered in handsome designs, embracing French Knots, Bows, Forget-Me-Not and fine Lace Edging. In addition to every piece of this beautiful lingerie being smartly reduced by the Clearance Prices, we offer following specials: Ladies' \$1.50 Gowns at \$1.13. Or fine nainsook, cambric or muslin, nicely made and trimmed—Second floor annex, for \$1.13. Ladies' \$1.25 Corset Covers 87c. Ladies' French Corset Covers, of fine nainsook and cambric, in low round neck and V-shape, trimmed with embroidery, Valenciennes and Maltese lace, beading and ribbon-trimmed, some with all-over tucks. Regular price, \$1.25; clearance special at 87c. Ladies' Gowns of heavy muslin; embroidery trimmed; regular \$1 values; special at 69c. Ladies' fine Muslin Petticoats, deep flounce with cluster of tucks; regular 65c values; special at 47c. Ladies' fine Cambric Drawers; cluster of fine tucks; Val. lace edging; regular 65c, at 47c. Children's Skirts of fine muslin, deep flounce with lace insertion and edging; regular \$1.10; special at 73c.

Two Great Silk Specials. Extra Special Clearance Sale Black Taffeta—19 inches wide, very strong and durable and high finish—our regular \$50 value; Special Clearance price, \$22.50. 27 inches wide, heavy, durable black Silk Taffeta, with high, rich finish, splendid for drop skirts and linings; our regular \$12.50 value; Special Clearance price, \$9.00. The Art Shop. Very pretty and attractive Cushion Covers, tinted, applique and finished borders, plain back to match material, heavy corn Buda linen; regular prices, \$2.75. Clearance special at \$1.25. Cushion Covers of same material as above, stamped and tinted; regular price, \$1.50. Clearance price 79c. Heavy lithograph Cushion Tops in many attractive and catchy designs, such as "Fencing Girl," "Resting," "Athletic Girls," "Rosebud" and others; regular price, 50c. Clearance special \$29c. Embroideries. Wonderful Half Price Embroidery Sale. In a choice of narrow, medium, and wide Cambric, Nainsook and Swiss Embroideries and insertions, wonderfully dainty, but most wonderfully cheap—MADE PRICE! 15c values for yard, \$1.50. 20c values for yard, \$1.25. 25c values for yard, \$1.00. 30c values for yard, \$75c. 35c values for yard, \$50c. 40c values for yard, \$35c. 45c values for yard, \$25c. 50c values for yard, \$20c. 55c values for yard, \$15c. 60c values for yard, \$12.50. 65c values for yard, \$10.00. 70c values for yard, \$7.50. 75c values for yard, \$5.00. 80c values for yard, \$3.75. 85c values for yard, \$2.50. 90c values for yard, \$1.75. 95c values for yard, \$1.25. (Large Misses' Sizes.)