

TOWN TOPICS

Items of Local Interest for Busy Journal Readers.

Madame Ana Holmes-Ribbecke is busy giving away her celebrated complexion cream to all lady callers this week at her parlors, 364 Morrison street, near West Park. This is one of the renowned beautifiers of the world, and that all may know this, Madame Holmes-Ribbecke is giving it away in liberal quantities. As these samples are not sold, none need hesitate by reason of delicacy to call and secure one, as the pleasant lady will be glad to have them call upon her anyway. The madame gives free talks, too, to all who desire to learn how to care for their own faces, and as she has just returned from a season's instruction received from the greatest beauty doctor on earth, she wonderful Nelden, of New York, she is certainly competent to advise. The lady stood at the head of her profession before. She is far in advance of ordinary beauty doctors now.

Health foods made in Michigan are doubtless good in Michigan—before they have laid on the shelves or in storehouses until the packages are perforated with worms. Then they are not healthy. Violet Oats are made in Portland and are good in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and California, because they reach these states fresh. They are originally selected grain, polished by our new process machinery imported from Germany, so that there is not a speck of dirt upon the kernels. Two packages for a quarter and White House cook book free for 20 coupons. Ask your grocer for Violet Oats.

At all the big banquets and important social functions you will find a generous supply of pepper sauce, baunkuchen, lubbuchen and stollen, those most appetizing and palatable confections, made and sold only by the Royal Bakery and Confectionery, Park and Washington streets. These are of German origin—the land of good feeding—of fine spreads. And still they are no more expensive than ordinary foods.

Paul Strain of the Hub clothing store, Third and Burnside, is scattering prices to the four winds, and is determined to "clean out" the place as quickly as it is possible to hand out the goods. He has slashed things the past few days, and bargain hunters need go no further to satisfy their desires. Look at the prices he quotes in another column. They are simply astounding.

A meeting of the property owners on Church street and Commercial avenue, Mount Taber, will hold a meeting at the residence of Mr. Baker, north of the Base Line road, this evening, to discuss the street improvement question.

The second term of the current school term at Portland academy will begin Monday, February 1, 1904, at 9 o'clock a. m. Catalogue may be obtained on request. Portland academy, Portland, Oregon.

Funeral services of Capt. N. S. Pierce will be held at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. F. W. Bay, at 463 Seventh street, this afternoon. Captain Pierce was a member of six fraternal orders.

Any printing you may give Peaslee Bros. Co. you may rest assured will receive personal attention. They're in the Sherlock building, fourth floor.

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

E. Elmore Grove, 414 Washington street, originator of new ideas in photography. The Gibson panel and photo pen sketch the latest. All really good things are limited.

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Muscle-Mahillon's make. Band instruments at E. V. Lamotte's, 449 Gilliam. Special price for full band.

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WANTS CITY TO RETURN FINES

JUDGE HOGUE WILL ASK TO BE REIMBURSED FOR AMOUNT HIGHWAY COURT ORDERED HIM TO RETURN TO "BIG MITT" SWINDLERS RECENTLY.

The city council will be asked to reimburse Municipal Judge Hogue for the judgment obtained against him by E. Stevens, W. A. Armstrong and Patrick Roach, who were each fined \$19.50 on a charge of larceny.

The men were interested in a north end shooting gallery and were arrested for fleecing Jacob West of \$31 by inducing him to shoot in their gallery. The fine was made less than \$20 so that no appeal could be taken. The circuit court Saturday declined to hold the charging trial in the police court and it was evident if an appeal were taken there would be no case because West refused to remain and testify against the swindlers. Therefore he fined them the highest amount which was not appealable, \$30 being the amount upon which an appeal can be taken in state cases. He lost sight of the fact that \$25 is the lowest fine provided for an offense of this nature. Upon this point the decision of the lower court is reversed.

In explanation, Judge Hogue today stated that it was very difficult to hold the complaining witness long enough for the trial in the police court and it was evident if an appeal were taken there would be no case because West refused to remain and testify against the swindlers. Therefore he fined them the highest amount which was not appealable, \$30 being the amount upon which an appeal can be taken in state cases. He lost sight of the fact that \$25 is the lowest fine provided for an offense of this nature. Upon this point the decision of the lower court is reversed.

MOON'S BODY WAS CUT INTO PIECES

Deputy Coroner A. L. Finley who went to Troutdale yesterday to take charge of the remains of Ernest Moon, who was killed by an O. R. & N. train Sunday night, has sent word of the young man's tragic death to his father and sister who reside at Hartford, Mich.

On Sunday Moon had been in Troutdale with R. Noakes, also a farm hand. At 6:30 p. m. Moon was seen heading for his home, two and a half miles from Troutdale, along the railroad track. The opinion of Deputy Coroner Finley, after making an investigation is that Moon attempted to steal a ride on the west-bound freight passing through Troutdale at 8:30 o'clock. It is thought he fell off and lay on the track until the Spokane flyer came along a couple of hours later and literally cut his body to pieces. The remains were scattered along the track for a quarter of a mile.

FORTY NEW 41-FOOT CARS ARE COMING

Forty new 41-foot flat cars for use on the Astoria & Columbia River railroad are en route to Portland from Baltimore, Md. These cars are considered the finest of the kind made and have a capacity of 40 tons each.

The new cars were purchased because of the great amount of long-stuff-bridge timbers, etc., hauled over the line. There is a scarcity of 41-foot cars on all local lines and shippers have been obliged in many instances to use 38-foot cars. This is expensive as two cars have to be used in many cases to load stuff that could be loaded on one 41-foot car.

MR. KELLEY HELD TO THE GRAND JURY

Deputy Marshal A. A. Roberts returned this morning from Eastern Oregon where he arrested William H. Kelley, defaulting postmaster, at Greenhorn, Baker county. Kelley was taken to Superior where he was given a preliminary examination before a commissioner and placed under \$2,000 bonds to appear before the grand jury.

WIF LEFT ON DUNNE'S STOOP

Late Saturday night a baby was left by an unknown person on the doorstep of D. M. Dunne, collector of internal revenue. Yesterday the infant was turned over to the Baby Home.

Chiefly Personal

State Senator M. A. Miller of Linn county is at the Perkins hotel.

Mrs. S. B. Huston of Hillsboro is in the city.

Dr. Charles Hines of Forest Grove is in Portland.

State Senator John L. Rand of Baker City is at the Portland hotel today.

W. B. Jerome of Chicago, general agent for the New York Central line, accompanied by J. A. Gill of San Francisco, Pacific coast agent for the Vanderbilt line, passed through Portland this morning, en route to Seattle. These railroad men were at the Union depot about half an hour. They will return to Portland next Thursday and will be in this city the rest of the week.

SCHILLING'S MEN FRASSED.
The outside representatives of A. Schilling & Co. have been spending a very lively week. They took in San Francisco in observation cars and landed at the Cliff House on Tuesday. On Wednesday they all went to Mt. Tamalpais as guests of Mr. Schilling, and on Wednesday evening, to the number of seventy-four, they sat about a circular table in the great shipping court which had been transformed into a grove of evergreens. An improvised lake, in which floated a fountain, graced the center of the table space. Decorations of poinsettia blooms, red carnations, red balloons, strings of incandescents lights and festoons of green turned the great court into a bower of beauty that none who saw will soon forget.—Exchange.

A ROCK ISLAND CROWD.
Herbert O'Connor, traveling passenger agent, and W. P. Baker, traveling freight agent, for the Rock Island, with headquarters in Seattle, and F. W. Boidick, traveling freight agent at Spokane for the Rock Island, are in Portland today on business. Said Mr. O'Connor: "Business on the whole is good, although the movement East of shingles and lumber is still quiet."

PRIMARY PETITIONS NOW CIRCULATING

SIGNERS DO NOT NECESSARILY COMMIT THEMSELVES TO SUPPORT THE LAWS BUT SIGNIFY THEIR WILLINGNESS TO HAVE IT SUBMITTED TO THE PEOPLE.

Petitions for the submission of the direct primary law at the general election in June are in circulation in every county in the state. A vigorous effort is being made to obtain the required seven thousand signatures within the 15 days that remain before the petitions must be filed with the secretary of state. Three thousand signatures are expected from this county and the remainder from the other counties of the state.

The circulation of the petition in this city has been entrusted to C. E. Lockwood, and one copy is at his office, room 12, Breiden building, northeast corner of Third and Washington streets, where those who desire may call and sign it. Another copy is at the county clerk's office in the courthouse, and it has already been signed by a number of voters. Two other copies are in the hands of men who are canvassing the city for signatures.

Any qualified voter may sign the petition. Each signature must be verified, and this can be done by the county clerk in the case of voters whose names appear on the registration roll of two years ago. In other cases a notary's certificate will suffice.

If the petitions receive the necessary 7,018 signatures before the expiration of the time for filing with the secretary of state, the direct primary law will then be submitted to the voters of the state, for approval or rejection, at the June election.

The purpose of the law is to do away with nominating conventions and thereby put an end to "machine" rule in politics. Voters who sign the petitions now in circulation are not committed to the support of the measure, but merely give their aid to the effort to have it submitted to popular vote in June.

The officers and directors of the Direct Primary Nomination League, which is urging the adoption of the proposed law, are President, A. L. Mills; vice-president, G. M. Orton; treasurer, F. McKerecher; secretary, W. S. U'Ren; executive committee, H. W. Scott, W. M. Ladd, Henry E. McGinn, John C. Young, Thomas G. Greene, J. F. Welch, C. S. Jackson, Jonathan Bourne, Jr., T. Harris, H. G. Kundret, C. E. Lockwood, T. T. Geer, A. R. Lawton, Henry Hahn, W. M. Hilleary, G. B. Thomas, John H. Mitchell, C. E. S. Wood, Frank Williams, C. H. Gram and George B. Riddle.

STAR MAIL FOR HORSE HEAVEN

Star mail service has been established between Prosser, Yakima county, Wash., and the Horse Heaven country, a distance of 20 miles. The service calls for two trips weekly.

AT THE THEATRES

"Happy Hooligan."
For genuine, unadulterated horse play of the old school, when slap-sticks play the most prominent parts, go to the Marquam Grand tonight and see "Happy Hooligan" and the bunch of merry-makers billed there. Horse play may have an unsavory reputation, and it deserves it generally. "Happy Hooligan," while a conglomeration of this character of entertainment raises far above the commonplace and laughable situations are the result. Aside from other things there is a clever chorus in the show. The girls who make it up are pretty—some of them very pretty. They sing well to very catchy music. Gus Tate as Happy is a comedian of the Ned Harrigan school. There is not a semblance of a plot and nobody seems to care. From the rise of the curtain, on the barber shop scene, to the end, in the police court, there is a general giving way to laughter no matter what the occasion. John Price is a capable Judge O'Shaughnessy, Mr. Price's song, "Whistling Riley," is first class, and John Wilson's "Rag Time Chinaman" is about as good.

Tonight the last performance will be given.

"Lost River."
"Lost River" will be the play at Cordray's theatre tonight and for the last time tomorrow night. This production of a good play ought to have remained here a week, but as it goes to the Grand opera house, San Francisco, next week, Thursday night will be the last performance in Portland.

"Maloney's Wedding."
"Maloney's Wedding," a farce comedy, will open at Cordray's theatre Thursday night for the last three nights of this week. The sale of seats is already large.

AT THE ARCADE.
Perhaps the most striking feat performed by a very energetic company of vaudeville acts at the Arcade this week is that of Heath and Excella, who jugle guns fitted with bayonets. Baldwin and Durrant in a musical sketch and Parrott are excellent. Jessie More, mentioned as a coloratura soprano, sings. The bioscope closes the bill.

"Ghosts."
Alberta Gallatin will appear at the Marquam Grand theatre Wednesday and Thursday nights in Henrik Ibsen's "Ghosts."

WINTER GARDEN.
Last night the Winter Garden, at the corner of Third and Morrison streets, was crowded. The program this week is filled to the choking point with clever comedians, dances and pretty girls.

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MAY HAVE THE FRANK DIAMONDS

POSSIBILITY THAT WALTERS, THE DIAMOND THIEF CAPTURED IN MINNEAPOLIS, MAY HAVE STOLEN THE GEMS FROM PORTLAND RESIDENCE.

That Walters, the alleged diamond thief arrested in Minneapolis Saturday with stolen gems valued at \$12,000 in his possession, is not wanted in Portland is the belief of local detectives.

Detective Joe Day, of the local headquarters staff, who knows more crooks than any other sleuth on the Pacific coast, is not certain that he knows Walters. After getting his description and his photograph it is likely that Day will be able to identify him.

From the description of Walters' work given in the press dispatches, Detective Day does not think that the prisoner is the clever thief who robbed the residence of Sigmund Frank of \$4,000 worth of diamonds in this city last month. That robbery was by a porch-climber, while the specialty of Walters is supposed to be that of sneak thief, which was shown by the theft of which he is accused in San Francisco, where he entered a room in a large hotel and extracted the gems from a trunk after he had stolen a purse containing the gems.

As soon as Walters' arrest was learned in Portland word was hastily sent to the Pinkerton office in St. Paul instructing a man to inspect the gems taken from Walters. He was ordered to make special effort to identify any of the diamonds as those taken from the Frank residence for the return of which a reward of \$500 was offered. No word has yet been received in reply.

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