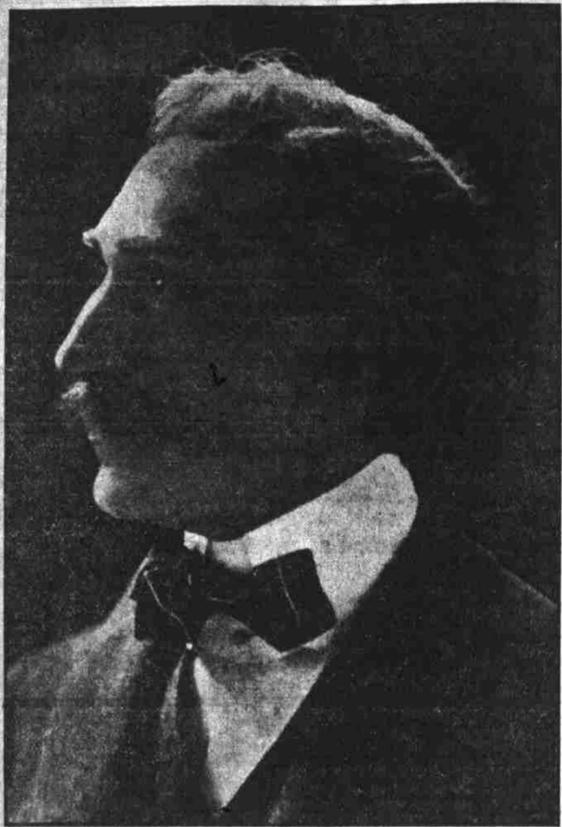


MULTNOMAH CLUB TO PRESENT "AMEER"



W. H. BOYER,

Musical Director of the Opera to be Produced by the Multnomah Athletic Club

"The Ameer," a comic opera, will be presented by the Multnomah club members at the Marquam Grand theatre three nights during the last week in April or the first week in May. The manager of the opera is Robert G. McCracken, and his assistant is Irving Rohr. Professor Krone will have charge of the dancing. The music for the opera arrived 10 days ago and the committee will arrange at once for a meeting of all those who will take part in the production. W. H. Boyer has been selected as musical director, and William Bernard will have charge of the principals.

A FUMING DEVIL AT THE COURT HOUSE

There are fully a dozen persons whose affairs necessitate frequent visits to the county courthouse that fully appreciate the germicidal powers of formaldehyde. Two or three of them express the opinion that it is condensed lightning, while Al Salmon deals in hyperbole and affirms by all the warrants he has ever cashed that it will grow hair on bald heads.

Dr. Evans, the health officer, fumigated his apartments at the courthouse yesterday. He did it to test a new instrument. On this particular occasion on his departure he forgot to lock the

door leading into the room. A middle-aged couple went to the office to see him, the woman entering first. In a moment she ran out, the man streaming from her eyes and gasping for breath.

"What's that jim-devil working in the corner of the room?" she managed to articulate.

Her husband, filled with curiosity and desirous of demonstrating his courage in the presence of his better half, dashed into the room to investigate, and went up against the formaldehyde fumes. The subtle fumes entered his nostrils at a Lou Dillon gait, permeated the cavities of his cranium and started a small Niagara from his eyes. He fell back upon the skirmish line in the hall and went through a series of motions with his hands as if signaling with a heliograph for reinforcements on the enemy's flank.

Frederick Lightning Prasp, the duly accredited agent of Cupid at the courthouse, witnessed the performance and rushed into the room to see who had hit the man and his wife. He came out quickly and his hazel orbs irrigated the hallway for about 30 minutes. It is said that he learned who hit Billy Patterson and was overcome with joy at accomplishing what the Sherlock Holmeses of decades had striven in vain to discover. Prasp got very busy yesterday and sent everybody he could to the health officer's room on some pretext or other.

Al Salmon, Bob Galloway, Deputy Sheriff Johnson, Mose Block, W. N. Robinson, Arthur Bancroft and several others can all descend on the merits of formaldehyde. Robinson was sent after a letter and hunted for it until he couldn't see and had to feel his way out of the room. Attorney J. H. Hitchings came in at the back door of the building and was told a lady was in the room waiting to see him. He entered with alacrity. When he entered he was rattled that he kept right on through the hall and left the courthouse by the front entrance without transacting any business whatever.

Dr. Evans returned at this juncture and learning what had happened, locked the door of his room. He said he was testing a new fumigator.

"It's all right," came a mighty chorus from the hallway.

SPECULATION AS BAD AS THE DICE

"Attorney Halley of Pendleton, can stop gambling all right," remarked John L. Sharpstein, a prominent Walla Walla lawyer, who is in Portland today, "but what is he going to gain? Men will gamble and if they cannot do it in one way they will in another. I cannot see where it is any worse for them to stake their money on the turn of a card, the speed of a horse or a shake of a dice, than it is to speculate in stocks or real estate. One is as much a gamble as the other."

Mr. Sharpstein is an enthusiastic baseball fan and was manager of the Walla Walla team in 1901 and 1902. Last year the team under another management failed. Mr. Sharpstein is of the opinion that a team of semi-professional nature, and not too high class, would prove a success this season. "Both Boise and Spokane want to train in Walla Walla this spring," he added, "and this would give the local nine plenty of opportunity to get into practice. My business will not permit me to take an active part in baseball this year."

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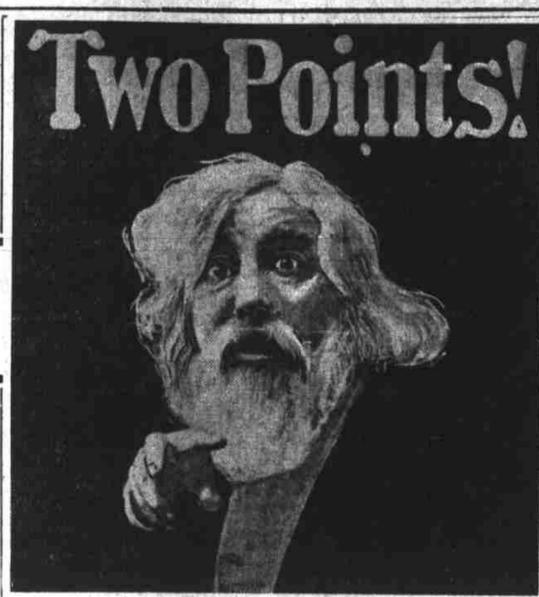
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EPILEPTIC MAKES DEPERATE FIGHT

T. F. White, a painter, caused considerable excitement yesterday on Grand avenue near East Morrison street when he was seized with an epileptic fit and tried to whip every one within reach. Witnesses of the occurrence say that White, when he felt the attack coming on, sat down on a bench in front of R. A. Wilson's drug store at 13 Grand avenue, and he was seen to fall over. Bystanders rushed to his aid and he was carried into the drug store and laid on the floor awaiting the application of restoratives. Before these could be administered he began to revive, and immediately made an attack on his rescuers with a heavy stool, which caused them to scatter rapidly. Constable A. D. Keenan had in the meantime arrived, and, notwithstanding White's formidable weapon, the officer endeavored to take it away from him, but received a blow on the arm and one over the head, smashing his hat, but doing him no serious injury.

Though White fought for a time with the strength of a maniac, he was finally overpowered, and a police officer arriving, he was taken to the police station. No one appearing to make any charge against him he was soon released, as he is known to be harmless when not in one of these fits. When in his right mind White has stated that some years ago he was robbed of a valuable gold watch and some money while in a fit, and ever since then the robbery is the thought uppermost in his mind when he is attacked by a fit, and he believes everyone who approaches is bent on robbing him. His violence is caused by his effort to prevent a repetition of the robbery, of which he is in great fear.

DURATION OF STILES IN RATE.

From the Pall Mall Gazette. A member of the craft, who, occupying an official status, has the present position of the silk-hat trade at his fingertips, says that in London there are 554 members of the hat trade on the books of the society. Roughly speaking, a fashion in shape endures four or five years without modification of its curve. Today it is only perceptibly bell-shaped, just a tiny shade greater in circumference at the crown than in the middle of the body; the curl of the brim is between the "roll" and the "flat"—some prefer the former and some the latter. Four years ago the "bell" was more pronounced, and five years before that the body was straight up and down. "It goes from straight to bell and back again from bell to straight," explained our obliging informant, who could recall a cycle of changes in silk-hat fashions, going back to the "Champagne Charlie" shape, as it was called, with a prodigious "bell" and a low body, and its successor with the other extremes, a body actually barrel-shaped and high in the crown.

Acute Blind Man.

From the Kansas City Times. Thomas G. Smith, who was known as "Blind Tom," died at the city hospital recently from the effects of morphine poisoning. Smith, or "Blind Tom," as he was called, had worked for J. J. Maloney at Nineteenth and Vine streets for the last six or seven years. "Smith was a remarkable man," said Mr. Maloney. "Although totally blind, he was a mighty useful man around the office. His sense of touch was wonderful. He could make change in both paper and silver money by the sense of touch. It was impossible to fool him. All of his senses were acute and his

memory was remarkable. He knew every bad roadway in town; he could tell all of the Vine street cars by the sound of their wheels. He walked all over town with nothing but a cane to guide him. He could find his way anywhere."

PAIR OF TEEN.

A quaint story is told of a Melbourne bachelor person of Welsh parentage and sympathies. He takes off his clerical hat when the band plays "Men of Harlech," and bids for the vote and interest of every Taffy in his district. Also, he is a warm denouncer of the "gambling evil." Parents who want baby named after a racehorse cannot persuade him to perform the ceremony, not if they offer him a double fee. He is always on the alert to detect a tuffy name. The other day his suspicions were aroused by a father who came along to book his services for the christening of a male infant. A weird, peculiar Christian name, full of consonants and sputters, was submitted to the parson for approval, and he did not approve, although the applicant was a Welshman, after his own heart. "It's the name of a racehorse, I'm sure," said the parson, "and I'll not degrade the child by giving it to him." In a tone of sorrowful astonishment the man replied: "Why, sir, that name is Welsh for 'God be with you'—I thought you knew the language."

Alexander Dumas was once dining at Marseilles with a Dr. Gistel, a man who was eminent in his profession. "My dear friend," said the host, as they passed from the dining room into the drawing room for the coffee, "I know that you improvise most beautifully. Could you not write me a verse in my album?"

"With pleasure," replied the author; and, taking the album offered him, he wrote:

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The doctor, who was looking over the shoulder of the writer, exclaimed, with joyous effusion: "Oh, but you flatter me; you flatter me! I do not merit it!"

"But wait a moment," remarked Dumas, as he sat down with the lines. "But cemeteries have increased."

Unconfirmed Rumor.

From the Chicago Record-Herald. Bulletin—The rumor that the Japs have taken St. Petersburg is not yet confirmed.

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