

TOWN TOPICS

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

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 Captain.....The Blue of the
 Arcade.....Vandeville

Prof. W. J. Standley of the Y. M. C. A. manual training school left Portland last night for a month's trip throughout the east. He goes in the interest of his work and will visit manual training schools at Seattle, St. Paul, Peoria, Chicago, Buffalo, Detroit, New York, Boston, St. Louis and other points. He will attend the Y. M. C. A. international convention at Buffalo May 15 to 18. The class in manual training will be suspended during May. Others connected with the Portland association who will attend the national convention are: H. W. Stone, Reno Hutchings, Ivan Robinson and C. L. Chase. The Portland association will extend an invitation to the convention to meet in Portland in 1908.

Frank Lee of this city has been chosen by the Knights and Ladies of Security as their delegate to the national session at St. Louis. At a meeting held Wednesday evening for the purpose of choosing a delegate, representatives from different parts of the state were present. Among them were: J. W. Brown, Lutz of Oregon City, Mrs. McCroskey of Astoria, Mrs. Taylor of Cascade Locks, Mrs. Frehan of Albina, Mrs. King of East Portland, Mrs. Roark and Mr. Lee of Portland. The society has a large representation in Oregon and other western states. The national session will be held at St. Louis, beginning June 14, and lasting about two weeks. Fred C. King was chosen alternate.

The funeral of Edward Christianson, who died last Monday, was held Thursday afternoon from Finley's chapel, under the auspices of Fidelity lodge No. 4, A. O. U. W. The Rev. Dr. Short officiated. The deceased was foreman of the air room at the Southern Pacific car shops. He entered the employ of the company as an apprentice in the air room and proved himself so well adapted for his chosen vocation that in the brief period of his stay he rose to the foremanship. His death was due to a complication of disorders. The deceased was the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Christianson, living at 718 East Powell street.

Friends of James A. Wilson have just learned of his approaching marriage to Miss Elizabeth A. Gore, of the city. The wedding will take place May 17, and only the immediate friends and relatives will be present. There will be no cards. He is a deputy in the United States marshal's office and is regarded as one of the most efficient officers in the service. Both he and Miss Gore are widely known in the city and have numerous friends who are offering congratulations on the coming event.

The announcement was made yesterday that the annual meeting of the Transcontinental Freight Association will be held in Monterey, Cal., May 4. The time and place of the meeting was decided upon by railroad officials in Chicago, and local railroad circles were notified today of the decision. A number of railroad officials from this city will attend the meeting.

Incorporation articles of the Howell Shingle company were filed with the county clerk yesterday morning. The incorporators are George N. Howell, Charles D. Howell and Orlando J. King. The capital stock is \$15,000. The purposes of the company are to buy, sell and manufacture lumber and shingles, and to conduct a general logging business.

A shipping receipt for election supplies has been received from Secretary of State F. L. Dunbar by County Clerk Fields. A sufficient number of copies of the election laws have been received to supply all the judges. The county clerk states that election judges may call at his office and receive these copies whenever they may feel so inclined.

J. P. Nolan, employed by the Pioneer wood yard, at the foot of Mill street, had a very narrow escape this morning. While at work he fell from a wood wagon and struck T. H. Troxel and landed on the saw, cutting four fingers off. The saw was owned by W. Strauss.

Remember the Portland Custom Shoes & Repair company has the only lock-stitch machine in this city to sew on soles. Men's half soles 75c and \$1; ladies 60c. Turn Halle building, 269 Yamhill, near Third. Phone RE 2955.

Steamer Charles R. Spencer, commencing April 25, will leave for The Dalles Monday, Wednesday and Friday from foot of Washington street. Leaves 7 a. m.

The Lewis and Clark Fair commission has been presented with two handsome oil paintings of Crater Lake by Mrs. James D. Fountain, a local artist.

Dr. and Mrs. Brown have returned from their tour of California, and the doctor has resumed his practice at the Dekum.

If your digestive organs are in any way impaired, call for and insist on Wahoo tonic—nothing else will do as well. 50c at all druggists.

Dr. James Hunter Wells delivered an address to the students and citizens of Pacific university, Forest Grove, last Tuesday evening on "Experiences in

Opera Glasses

Young men of Portland should feel ashamed to take their sweethearts to the theatre without opera glasses, when we have such a beautiful line and sell them so cheaply. Although we sell them at almost "give-away" prices, they are the perfection of quality and workmanship.

ANAWRIGHT
 THE JEWELER
 294 MORTIMER ST.

Korea." Wednesday he addressed the students of "The Advance of the Light Baxon," being his lecture on personal observations in Europe, America, and Asia.

Oregon City boat.
 25 cents round trip, Sundays.
 Leaves Taylor street 8:30, 11:30 a. m., 3 and 6:15 p. m.

Fine day! Buy Meredith's umbrella. Repairing and re-covering. Two stories, Washington and 5th, Morrison and 5th.

Our French diners are the talk of the town. Do not fail to try one today. Oxford Restaurant, 68 Sixth.

Thanks to our many new customers. Crystal Ice Co.

Steamers for The Dalles will leave Alder-street wharf 7 a. m. daily (except Sunday). Phone Main 914.

If it's ice you want, call up Crystal Ice Co.

Wise Bros., dentists, fitting buildings, Third and Washington.

Call up East 344. What for? To get your Crystal Ice.

S. H. Gruber, lawyer, 617 Com'l Block.

COUNTERFEITER MAY BECOME INSANE

JAIL CONFINEMENT BEGINNING TO TAKE ON JOHN ANDERSON, AS HE BROODS OVER HIS TROUBLES—OTHER PRISONERS SAY HE IS SLOWLY LOSING HIS MIND.

Notwithstanding the recent trouble the owners of the steamship Nome City encountered with the Longshoremen's union, F. P. Baumgartner, local agent of the vessel, says that she will make one more round trip between Portland and San Francisco before going north. On her next trip she will take out a cargo for the R. A. M. Co. After that she will proceed up the coast to Seattle, and will sail from there for Nome June 1.

Although a fine has been imposed upon the steamer by the local Longshoremen's union, and member of the organization declares that she will be kept on the unfair list until it is paid, those interested in her, locally, say that it is all a bluff. The grain handlers assert that all union rules were complied with in loading the vessel, and they provided the captain with the following signed resolution to present to the longshoremen down the coast. It is spoken of as being a "clean bill of health" for the Nome City.

"Portland, Or., April 30, 1904.—To Local No. 541, of I. L. M. & T. A., San Pedro, Cal.:

"Whereas, A difference arose between locals No. 263 and No. 265 of the I. L. M. & T. A., of Portland, Or., over the trucking of grain to the steamship Nome City; and

"Whereas, Local No. 265 has refused to furnish men to do the stowing of grain in said steamship Nome City trucked by members of local No. 263, and thereby compelling said steamship Nome City to do the stowing of grain in said steamship by the crew of same; and

"Whereas, Local No. 263, claiming said steamship Nome City unfair; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That said steamship was loaded by grain handlers' local union, No. 263, of the I. L. M. & T. A., of Portland, Or., and by members of the coast seaman's union, grainhandlers doing the trucking of grain on the dock and seamen doing the stowing in hold of said steamship Nome City. Signed,

"H. R. BLUE, President,
 "U. G. KIGHTLINGER, Corresponding Secretary."

FINDS NO WAY TO BURY MRS. GORDON

CORONER FINLEY CONFRONTED BY PATENTIC PROBLEM—HUSBAND OF DEAD WOMAN LIES FERMENILESS, AND THERE IS NO ONE TO PROVIDE FOR BURIAL OF BODY.

Most pathetic is the problem now confronting Coroner J. P. Finley, and a way to solve the difficulty has not been reached as yet. Lying encoased in a coffin at the morgue is the form of Mrs. Elizabeth Gordon, who, according to the verdict of the coroner's jury, met her death by being thrown from a trestle on the Southern Pacific railway line near the Jones lumber mill south of Portland. At his home in South Portland lies the grief-stricken husband, too ill to work and penniless. There is the problem—what shall be done with the body of the woman?

"It is a very pathetic case," said Coroner Finley last night, "and what do I do is mystifying me. I have studied long and hard about it, but have arrived at no conclusion. The husband of the woman is too ill to work, and is without means to pay for the burial. He formerly worked for Contractor Langford, building the new Weinhardt building, but for some time he has been too ill to work. I will decide Monday what to do."

The body was discovered Wednesday at noon by Bridge Foreman C. L. Barnes of the Southern Pacific. Coroner Finley immediately went out and got it. For a time it lay at the morgue unidentified, but was finally found to be that of Mrs. Gordon.

At the inquest it was shown that Mrs. Gordon must have been knocked from the trestle by the train that passed there at 8:40 a. m., but neither Engineer W. Esten or Fireman E. H. Bush saw her on the track. Both have a good view ahead, but deny having seen her. Dr. Theodore Fessler swears that the injury inflicted by the object that struck the woman were not sufficient to cause death, and it therefore follows that she must have been drowned in the Willamette river.

French and German Classes.

Classes in French and German will be started at the Western Academy of Music, Elocution, Oratory and Dramatic Art Monday evening, May 2, at 8 p. m. The course will be a thoroughly practical one. Dr. Rogers, a graduate of the University of Goettingen, Germany, will use the most approved methods. \$10.00 for term of 10 weeks; two lessons per week. Corner Second and Morrison.

IF YOUR EYES ARE IN BAD SHAPE

Or if they are only weak from long strain, we want you to call at once and

WE WILL EXAMINE THEM FREE OF CHARGE

Don't wait until it is too late. The hardest cases to fit are those where the eyes are so weak that they cannot see without glasses. It is necessary to use lenses only a week or two at a time, and by resting the eyes they regain their natural strength.

"CROSS EYES IN CHILDREN are often EASILY STRAIGHTENED by the aid of glasses. If worn when the trouble first appears, no knife or medicine is needed. No blinding light is forced into the eyes. Our examinations are made with modern, scientific instruments. They readily detect the slightest errors. No long and tedious tests. Our prices for glasses are moderate."

JAEGER BROS.
 OPTICIANS, JEWELERS
 290 Morrison St., Near 5th

NOME CITY WILL RETURN TO PORT

HARKINS TO GO ON LINNONTON RUN

NEW STEAMER SCHEDULE BY WASHINGTON TRANSPORTATION CO. TO SUN EVERY HOUR AND A HALF, STOPPING AT ST. JOHNS—WILL BENEFIT LOCAL TRAFFIC.

Beginning the first of the week, the steamer Jessie Harkins, belonging to the Washougal Transportation company, will be operated between Portland and Linnonton. She will make only one stop and that will be at St. Johns. It is the intention to have her make the round trip every one and one-half hours. Although the rate question has not been fully settled, it is said that it will be about 5 cents to St. Johns and 10 cents to Linnonton.

Since the oil tank has been established at Linnonton, and the drydock built at St. Johns, the travel down that way has increased very rapidly. About the only way that St. Johns can be reached at the present time is by steamer. One business of Portland steamers makes occasional trips down there, but it is at such frequent intervals as to be of little service to those accustomed to going back and forth. Besides, a practice is not made of carrying the general public on these steamers, which are supposed to be for the exclusive use of the commission and the Port of Portland employees.

Shippers and river men generally are of the opinion that the Jessie Harkins will do a good business on the new route which has been laid out for her. It is claimed by those interested in her that she can make the run down as far as St. Johns in less than 20 minutes. It requires the steamer 50 minutes to cover the distance, and then one is forced to walk about a mile, if he should happen to be going to the drydock. For that reason it is believed that the steamer will be able to get nearly all the business which has been built up as a direct result of the opening of the drydock.

The Jessie Harkins is less than six months old. She was built to be operated between Washougal and a point on the Port of Columbia, opposite Vancouver, connecting with the electric cars from Portland. After making a few trips the venture was declared to be unprofitable, and the steamer has been out of commission ever since. She carries a license for carrying 75 passengers.

STOCK SHIPPERS WIN A FIGHT

RIVAL STEAMERS HAVE COLLISION

DALLES CITY CRANKS INTO THE WHEELS

Free transportation to cattlemen, both to and from the shipping points, will likely be restored by all the western railroads as the result of the action of the C. M. & St. P., which was announced in this city yesterday. That road has decided to provide transportation to cattle shippers on return trips as well as on outgoing journeys.

For years it has been customary for railroads to furnish free transportation for return trips to shippers of cattle on western lines. The first of the present year, however, the roads entered into an agreement whereby transportation one way only was provided. Return trips were charged for at regular passenger rates, according to the agreement.

The decision caused a vigorous and prolonged protest on the part of the cattlemen, who have persisted in their demands for the restoration of the old system. The plan consumed a large part of their profits, they insisted.

For a time the roads were emphatic in their assertions that the old system had been abolished permanently and that free transportation would not be restored. The controversy continued until a meeting of the freight agents and officials of the lines interested was held.

Yesterday the C. M. & St. P. announced its determination to return to the old plan. The decision was wired to H. S. Rowe, general agent of that road in this city. The free transportation system will become effective at once, it is said.

It is considered probable that the other western roads will quickly authorize similar announcements of the restoration of the old system.

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Many styles to select from, and those who wear our shoes will have their feet dressed according to the dictates of fashion.

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People who have rheumatism naturally try everything in the hope of being cured. All that expense can be saved by getting a bottle of Barke Tonic, the remedy that cures rheumatism in four to six days. Rheumatic ailments are always aggravated by a stagnant condition of the bowels, and are almost always due to a stagnated system. Barke Tonic cures by purifying the blood and cleansing the whole system. Price 75c a bottle. If your druggist does not carry it, ask them to order it from the Portland wholesale drug houses.

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 Week Day Games 2:30 p. m.
 Sunday Games 2:30 p. m.
 Box, 25c; Grandstand, 25c; Children, 15c.

MR. TAFFE TALKS OF ARBITRATION

OREGON LAND OWNER ONCE OFFERED TO SUBMIT HIS INTERESTS TO A BOARD IN WHICH THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WOULD HAVE A VOICE—PROJECT FAILED.

A secret proposal is said to have been made some weeks ago by I. H. Taffe, whose fishing plant stands along the right of way of the Cello portage road, whereby the chamber of commerce of Portland would assume the role of mediator between the state commission and Mr. Taffe.

The consideration of the proposed mediation was secret and as it came to nothing, though it was the cause of constant conferences for two weeks, no statement of an official nature is likely to be made concerning it.

Some two weeks ago, it is understood, Judge Rufus acting as attorney for Mr. Taffe, informed members of the chamber of commerce that if the chamber would choose one member of an arbitration board, Mr. Taffe would choose another, and they jointly choose a third, the majority opinion of this board to be final and binding as between the board and Mr. Taffe.

The matter was taken up by a committee of the chamber of commerce and conferences were held with the governor, the state commission and Mr. Taffe's representatives. The negotiations fell through because the commission was not represented on the board of arbitration and this body would not consider the decision of a tribunal in which it was not given a voice. As Mr. Taffe had no other plan of choosing a board of arbitration to offer, the negotiations were finally declared off.

Mr. Taffe desired \$40,000 for his property, which lies across the proposed right of way for the Cello portage road. The commission offered him \$18,000 for this property and refused to raise the bid. Mr. Taffe refused to accept a lower sum. Tomorrow the attorney-general of the state will start condemnation proceedings against the property, and the matter will be tried in the state courts. Mr. Taffe, in his letter to the chamber of commerce, through Attorney Malloy, asking for an arbitration board, stated that his only condition was that the person chosen by the chamber be one who had practical experience regarding blasting powder, and the effect its use had on adjoining property.

BRIEFLY PERSONAL.

Frank Lee, editor of the Pacific Farmer, has returned from a visit with his mother in Seattle.

Mrs. W. H. Boyer, who was recently removed to the Good Samaritan hospital, where she underwent an operation, is much better.

M. T. Nolan of The Dalles land office is a guest at the Perkins hotel.

J. E. Shearer, a wealthy wheat grower of Hay Creek, is registered at the Perkins.

W. H. Echols, a Hood River lumberman, is among the Perkins guests.

Judge E. Wolverton of the supreme court is at the Imperial hotel from Salem.

Man judges by our hits, God by our aims.

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Miss Lois Steers
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PRICES: Lower floor, \$3.00. Balcony—First six rows, \$2.00; last six rows, \$1.50. Gallery, \$1.00. Boxes, \$20.00. Loges, \$74.00.
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The great slaughter of clothing continues at The Hub, Third and Burnside, and at Strain's, 285-87 Washington street, affording shrewd spring clothing buyers a chance like that never before offered them. Portlanders are enjoying today an advantage that comes but once a century to any city in the United States. It is all the result of the big conflagration at Baltimore, in which thousands upon thousands of dollars went up in smoke. The Baltimore Shoe & Clothing company was swept before the flames like so much paper, but the warehouses remained untouched. Thousands of dollars' worth of high-grade clothing, furnishings and shoes were without a sales place. By buying the entire stock it was gained at an enormous reduction, shipped and finally placed on the shelves at The Hub and Strain's at a shadow of its real cost. This is how you're enabled to all your spring clothing to \$39.00 on all your spring clothing. This immense sale will continue until every piece of goods is sold—the seller you are the better.

Letter Carriers' Excursion.

Sunday, May 22, grand ride up the majestic Columbia. Stops at Multnomah Falls, Cascade Locks, Hood River and other interesting points. Full dress band will accompany the excursion. Baseball game.

A soft snap has a hard catch in it somewhere.