

TOWN TOPICS

TONIGHT'S ENTERTAINMENT
Empire... From Kerry
Baker... Burlesque
Lodge... The Southern Belle
Grand... Vanderville
Har... Vanderville
Liberty... Vanderville

A beautiful menu card and an elaborate dinner have been prepared by Manager H. C. Bowers of the Hotel Portland for Christmas day. The card shows a large poster picture of one of Frederick Remington's famous frontier drawings. It represents a cavalier in campaign uniform mounted on a spirited steed. The mount is speeding along with a free rein, while the trooper is gazing to windward on a search for the redskin foe. The picture is one of Remington's best and is suitable for either a den or parlor. It is attached to a heavy cardboard mounting with red ribbon, all bespeaking Christmas cheer. Undoubtedly the picture is the menu, which is the finest that the brain of Bowers' chef could produce. The musical program is also given.

The city of Portland yesterday filed a notice in the circuit court stating that an attempt would be made to reassess the property owners living along Goldsmith street for street and sewer improvements. An assessment was made on the property owners several months ago for improvement purposes, but it was annulled when Attorney Dunaway showed to the court that the assessment had not been made in a proper manner. The following are named as defendants in the case that was filed yesterday: John Mitchell, Paul Westinghouse, Henry Wagner, the Pacific Trust company, M. C. Merges, E. E. Merges, Sanford B. Whiting, the Alliance Trust company, H. O. Bishop, Mary Kiel, Joseph Paquet, B. F. Smith and H. W. Fries.

A. J. White lost a check for \$55 last September and has now begun a suit against the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company for that sum. The suit was commenced in the circuit court yesterday afternoon. White says that during last July he worked for the company and received in payment a check for \$55, drawn on the First National bank of this city. This check, he states, was given him on August 14, and he carried it until September 4, when the valuable bit of paper was either lost or stolen. He alleges that the check was not indorsed. White begins suit to compel the company to issue him a duplicate check for the amount lost.

Mrs. Margaret A. Simmons yesterday began a suit in the circuit court against Dr. Harry F. McKay for \$1,000 damages, alleging this sum is due her because McKay, as she claims, maliciously converted and disposed of goods to which she lays a claim. She states that a trunk belonging to her and containing mirrors and numerous articles of clothing was taken by the defendant on September 17, 1904, and disposed of. Dr. H. F. McKay was administrator of the estate of the late Thomas Gibbons. Mrs. Simmons is a granddaughter of Gibbons and it is supposed that the suit begun yesterday is an outgrowth of some estate matters.

The Ladies' Missionary society of the First Congregational church held its December meeting in the church parlors on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. G. M. Parker gave an interesting address upon "Our Foreign Missionaries," and Mrs. R. E. Jones read an excellent paper upon "Bible Women and Training Schools." The soloist was Mrs. E. L. House. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Madames Hutchinson, House, Mikle and Scott.

William A. Knight, president of the Knight Shoe company, arrived home after a two months' trip east, yielding many of the important shoe factories and buying spring shoes. Mr. Knight promises the wearers of Sorosis and Walk-Over shoes something exceptional in footwear for the spring and summer of 1906.

A most interesting ceremony will be held at the Sixth and Hall streets synagogue at 8 o'clock. The yearly examinations of the congregation's Hebrew school, as well as the kindling of the Hanukkah light, is well arranged by Dr. J. Shapp. It is expected that the occasion will be a huge success. The public is invited.

M. L. Tiehner, secretary and treasurer of the Oregon and Washington division of the Protective association, has issued invitations to the members to attend the annual banquet at the Portland hotel December 30. The annual business meeting will be held in the afternoon the same day.

John W. Reddaway and Addie Hodges were married Thursday evening, December 21, in the presence of a few relatives and friends. The house was prettily decorated with Oregon grapes and ferns and a wedding supper was served.

The Apollo roller skating rink had three successful races this evening—a turkey race with 12 contestants, a hoop race with five contestants and a speed race with seven contestants. A challenge is extended to the Exposition



This Bag of Money Is for You

It represents the amount that you can quickly realize by saving the pennies, nickles and dimes and depositing them in amounts of \$1 or over in our Savings Department, where they work for you day and night, Sunday and Monday, earning for you 4 per cent interest compounded semi-annually.

Why not start an account with the New Year?

OREGON TRUST & SAVINGS BANK

W. H. MOORE President
W. C. MORRIS Cashier

roller skating rink for a speed contest of one mile or over. Representatives of the Apollo roller skating rink will stake with any newspaper \$25.

We have made more negatives this Christmas than at any similar time in our history. Our business has been simply immense and we are rejoiced to say that our friends have been greatly pleased with the elegance of every picture we have turned out. Moore's studio, Elks' building, Seventh and Stark.

Only a few more of those choice lots left in Hawthorne's first addition, between Twenty-eighth and Thirty-second, Burnside and Gilsan streets. If you are thinking of buying you should see this property. Now is the time. R. L. Cate, agent, 113 Second street.

Mrs. W. H. Bigger died at her home at 389 Alder street Friday night and the remains will be buried tomorrow at Waco, Oregon. Her death will be very much regretted by the large circle of friends residing in this city and other portions of the state.

William C. Graves, aged 24 years, died at St. Vincent's hospital December 20. The funeral service took place at the Holman undertaking parlors and the burial in the Lone Fir cemetery. Rev. T. Brouillette of Newberg preached the sermon.

A fine line of umbrellas—gold, silver, ivory and pearl handles—just the thing for a Christmas present, at Belding Bros., Jewelers and Opticians, 45 Third street. Also cut diamonds and watches during holidays.

The Museum of Art, Fifth and Taylor streets, will be open on Christmas day from 2 to 4 o'clock. Admission free. A few fine pictures and a collection of Japanese prints are now lent for exhibition.

F. R. Bove, who formerly conducted cigar store at Third and Burnside streets, wishes to notify his friends that he has now moved to St. Johns, where he will open another cigar store.

Holiday packages—Special attention given to delivery of holiday packages. Reliable messengers dispatched to any part of city. Call phone Main 29.

Bankrupt Sale—Clothing, gents' furnishing goods, hats, caps, trunks, valises, boots and shoes, etc., at greatly reduced prices. To be sold in 48 days, 80 North Sixth street, corner Everett.

Cash or Credit—Watches, Diamonds, Jewelry and Silverware on easy weekly payments. \$1 down, 50c per week; open evenings. Metzger & Co., Jewelers and Opticians, 111 Sixth street.

Official photographs, Lewis and Clark exposition, plain and hand-colored; beautiful and appropriate gifts, at small cost. 349 Morrison street.

Grand ball Xmas night, Arlon hall. Elegant door prize free. Good music. Admission 50 cents, ladies free. Professor Eaton, manager.

Arthur H. Babb is in the city from Albany, where he is attending college, visiting his mother, Mrs. Helen Babb, at the Clayton.

Pan-Co-Vesto club, \$1 per month. Keeps your clothes cleaned, pressed, 173 West Park, Pacific 686. Open all night.

Any watch cleaned, \$1. Any main spring, \$1. All work guaranteed one year at Metzger & Co., 111 Sixth street.

Sheriff Word, Chief Deputy Sheriff George Morden and a corps of deputies made a tour of the north end and

SANTA CLAUS AT COURT HOUSE

He Leaves Word Fishing Rod and Umbrella and Clerk Fields a Seal Ring.

SILK SUSPENDERS GLADDEN DEPUTIES

Many City Firms Remember Employees and Turkeys Will Grace Tables That Never Expected to Be So Honored.

Two surprises were given Sheriff Word yesterday afternoon by the deputies working under him, those in a handsome gold-mounted umbrella, while those in the "catch-em" gave their chief a fishing rod. The presentation of the rod was made a great event in the sheriff's office. Deputy Sheriff Dode Parrott made the presentation address. He spoke these words: "Mr. Sheriff, ladies and gentlemen: It is written somewhere that you should not spare the rod and spoil the child. All us fellows clipped in and got you a fishin' pole, sheriff, so you wouldn't have to use that old bass one you had last summer. We all trust that you catch 200 or 300 fish a day when the season comes, and wish you a very merry Christmas."

When Parrott had finished hearty "amens" were uttered by Deputy Sheriff George Morden, Harvey Moreland, Sam Downey, John Grussel, Holly Hollingworth, John Cordano and Jaller Harry Grafton, all of whom were present. The umbrella was the gift of J. W. Ferguson, W. W. Acland, E. B. Martin, C. H. Ambrose, W. H. Mercer, S. Katka, P. H. Coffey and C. A. Robertson.

County Clerk Frank S. Fields was presented with a seal ring and a sealon by Elks badge, it being the gift of the following deputy clerks: H. C. Smith, F. W. Prapp, C. D. Christensen, H. G. Schneider, W. G. Kerns, M. A. Hanson, L. Kennedy, M. S. Phillips, Vera M. Fields, W. E. Hammond, C. B. Barth, A. K. Long, H. V. Banford, C. C. Rose, R. A. Reid, T. S. Wells, J. H. Bush, M. L. O'Brien and Carrie H. Quimby.

Mr. Fields presented each of his male deputies with a pair of silk suspenders, while gifts of other sorts were made to the gentler deputies.

The firm of Roberts Bros. remembered their employees handsomely. Besides the presents given leaves of absence were extended to some of the employees of from two days to a week or more.

"My custom," said ex-Senator Ben Sealing, "has always been to remember my employees on New Year's day, and I shall adhere to it this year."

Cash presents were made to all the employees of I. Gevurtz & Co. "We wish you all a merry Christmas," said Mr. Gevurtz when he passed the presents to the men.

Deputies in the county assessor's office presented County Assessor Sigler yesterday with a handsome watch fob. The fob consisted of the assessor's monogram suspended from which was a locket of Roman gold.

Shortly before 11 o'clock, while the assessor was busy, his deputies filed into the office. Mr. Sigler looked up in surprise expecting a demand for an increase in salaries.

"If there is any trouble, I would like to know it," said he, "the deputies hesitated a moment in silence."

"There's no trouble at all, but we desire to wish you a merry Christmas and present you this Christmas gift," said the spokesman, handing Mr. Sigler the fob.

Mr. Sigler looked first at the present and then at his deputies and it was some time before he spoke.

"This is a handsome gift," said he, "and I appreciate it, but I appreciate more the kindly spirit in which it has been given and which has characterized our work together in the office."

through Chinatown on a search for gambling and gaming. Although many places were visited unexpectedly not a gambling game was found in operation.

Carroll Hurlburt is in the city for the holidays, visiting by W. H. Hurlburt of the O. W. F. & R. R.

An elegant turkey dinner at the Cottage Waffle Christmas for 59 cents; 11:30 to 3 p. m. 146 Sixth street.

Address, calling, engagement and shopping lists at Kilham's 246 Washington street.

Portland's best dancing school, 309 Alder. Prof. Ringler, Miss Buckenmeyer.

Fine Gift Memorandum Books for gentlemen. Kilham's, 246 Washington st.

Acme Oil Co. sells the best safety coal oils and fine gasolines. Phone East 739.

Men's Pocketbooks, card and pass cases at Kilham's, 246 Washington st.

Bridge Whist, "500" and other card sets at Kilham's, 246 Washington st.

Fine Desk Furnishings and Inkstands at Kilham's, 246 Washington street.

We want to buy your second-hand furniture. Phone Main 6121.

Fine chicken dinner 90c, 182 Third.

The Vegetarian cafe, 106 Sixth.

Fritz's tamales are the best.

CALIFORNIA TRIP

More Applications From Business Men Than Can Be Favorably Answered.

ITINERARY LEAVES NO WORTHY SPOT UNSEEN

Excursionists Will See All of Neighboring State's Attractions, Including Monterey, Del Monte and the Big Drive, for Modest Sum.

The list of reservations for the Oregon business men's excursion to southern California has reached the number of 80, and the success of the excursion is assured.

"This means," said Assistant General Passenger Agent McClurray of the Harman lines, "that there will not be enough berths to go around at the last hour. The train will probably not have enough capacity to hold those who will at the last moment decide to go."

The itinerary is now arranged. The special train will leave the union station at 7 o'clock the evening of Saturday, January 13. The time at the different stations in Oregon will be as follows:

Salem, January 13, 9:05 p. m.; Albany, 10 p. m.; Eugene, 11:25 p. m.; Roseburg, January 14, 2:25 p. m.; Grants Pass, 6 a. m.; Medford, 7:35 a. m.; Ashland, 8 p. m.

People attending the Development league convention from eastern Oregon on special rate for that occasion may have their tickets extended to use on return from California trip if they desire.

"It was decided yesterday by the special committee of the league to extend the time limit for making reservations to December 30," said Secretary Richardson. "The cost of the round trip ticket from Portland to Los Angeles, which includes six days and nights in a Pullman car, and the meals between Portland and Sacramento, the first stop, will be \$62. With two persons occupying one berth the tickets are \$55 each. An immediate deposit of \$25 is necessary to hold reservation, and this check should be made payable to me, and forwarded to my office at once."

"These tickets are sold with a 90-day limit, with privilege of any desired stopovers returning. Under ordinary conditions the Pullman reservation alone, for six days and nights, would be about \$25. The trip down is made via the coast. Return can be made either on this line or through the valley."

"None of the meals at any of the hotels will cost to exceed \$1 each. The stopping places will include not only the very best in the hotel line but the most interesting part of California. After one day of public reception at Los Angeles each and every excursionist will be free to go wherever he pleases. This trip, including all that is necessary to spend in making it luxurious, need not exceed \$100, and it can be made for \$85."

The complete itinerary has been issued by the Southern Pacific company and shows how the excursion party will be entertained each day.

Monday, January 15—The train will reach Sacramento before daylight. A reception will be given by the Sacramento chamber of commerce, beginning at 9 o'clock. The Sacramento Valley Development association will also participate. Leaving Sacramento at 2:30 p. m. the party will arrive in San Francisco at 6:30 p. m. Sleepers will be transferred from Oakland to the Third street depot and placed in a convenient position to be occupied by the excursionists. The entertainment at San Francisco will include a trip to Chinatown.

Tuesday—The California Promotion committee, assisted by other organizations, will offer special entertainment, program of which is yet to be announced. The California state board of trade has also extended invitations for a reception at its rooms in the afternoon. This will be accepted. A visit will be made to Mount Tamalpais. The entertainments in San Francisco will not in any way interfere with excursionists being free a large part of the time to see their friends and visit places of interest according to individual inclination.

Wednesday—Leave San Francisco from Third street depot at 9 a. m., arriving at Palo Alto at 10 a. m. Drive to Stanford university. Leaving Palo Alto at 1:15 p. m. arrive at San Jose at 1 p. m. Luncheon at the Hotel Vendome. At 2:30 trip will be taken on interurban electric line through Santa Clara valley to Saratoga springs and Los Gatos, returning to Hotel Vendome for dinner. An opportunity will also be given to see the city, one of the most beautiful in California. Reception in the evening by San Jose chamber of commerce. Train leaves at 11:30 p. m.

Thursday—Breakfast at the Hotel Del Monte, the show place of California. Leave the Del Monte at 9 a. m. for the famous seventeen-mile drive. Luncheon at 2:30 at the Hotel Del Monte. Departure from Monterey at 2:30 p. m. At 5 o'clock arrive at Paso Robles. Dinner at the Hotel Paso de Robles. The celebrated baths, recently completed, will be thrown open to the Oregonians as a special courtesy. The night will be spent in Paso Robles.

Friday—Departure from Paso Robles at 9 a. m., arriving at Santa Barbara at 1:30 p. m. Luncheon at either the Arlington or Potter and a drive to include the boulevard and a visit to the old missions. Reception in the evening by the Santa Barbara chamber of commerce. Train will leave at 11 o'clock.

Saturday—Arrive at Los Angeles, called "bankrupt stock," "fire damaged stock," nor are they giving anything away—just a plain reduction sale, which comes once a year and is for the purpose of moving the goods quickly and making room for the new lines of spring goods, which will soon be arriving.

Where to Dine. H. C. Brandes, 103 Sixth street, will serve an elegant 50c dinner today and the finest Christmas dinner ever.

Sunday dinner, the best popular prices, 229 Washington street, Strouse's Restaurant.

Many a man thinks he is mellowing when he is only getting moldy.

NEW-YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

By direction of the Board of Trustees of the New-York Life Insurance Company, the following information is published for the benefit of the policy-holders and the public:

New York, December 11, 1905
GEO. W. PERKINS, Esq.,
Chairman of the Finance Committee,
346 Broadway, Cty.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit to you, in accordance with your request, the following information as to the operations of the Finance Committee of the New-York Life Insurance Company since you became its Chairman five years ago.

On December 27, 1900, the Company was possessed of bonds and stocks, the cost value of which approximated \$160,000,000.

During the five-year period there have been offered to the Finance Committee for purchase securities to the amount of \$1,565,947,671.

Out of these offerings the Committee has selected and purchased bonds representing over 550 specific transactions, amounting to \$284,505,584.

Of this latter amount the Company still owns and holds \$190,869,477.

The remainder, or \$93,636,107 representing over 600 specific transactions, has been sold during the five years at a cash profit of \$1,135,225.

During the same period the Company has received, from participations in bond syndicates to which it has been a subscriber for the purpose of obtaining bonds at the original issue price, from joint accounts and from other sources, a total cash profit of \$1,812,102.

During the same period the Finance Committee has sold bonds out of the above referred to \$160,000,000 of bonds and stocks which it held five years ago, realizing from such sales a cash profit of \$1,670,674.

During the same period, this Board having determined to invest the policy-holders' money in bonds only, the Finance Committee sold the Company's bank stocks, trust company stocks and railway shares at a profit of \$4,700,000.

Making the total cash profits from the four sources \$9,318,001.

During the same period losses have been sustained on five transactions involving securities in the possession of the Company five years ago, and on five transactions involving securities purchased during the past five years, representing an aggregate loss of \$702,679.

Making a net cash profit realized for the policy-holders during the past five years of \$8,615,322.

These cash profits are over and above and exclusive of interest on the Company's securities, which rate of interest during this period has averaged over 4 1-4 per cent.

The present market value over cost value of the above referred to \$190,869,477 of bonds purchased during the last five years and now held in the Company's assets is \$1,404,674.

In this \$190,869,477 item is included the Company's participation of \$3,200,000 in the International Navigation Bond Syndicate at a valuation of 80, although the securities therein have now an aggregate market value of over 90.

Making a total profit in five years of \$10,019,966.

The company is now possessed of approximately \$312,000,000 of bonds, which have an average of fifty years to run, at an average rate of interest of over 4 1-4 per cent, and which are worth on the market upward of \$10,000,000 more than was paid for them.

Yours respectfully,
F. H. SHIPMAN,
Asst. Treasurer.

C. M. WOOD, Agency Director
200-205 Chamber of Commerce
PORTLAND, OREGON.

Christmas Greetings
TO ALL OUR PATRONS AND FRIENDS
In extending our heartiest wishes for a happy holiday season, we desire at the same time to thank you for the largest holiday trade we have had since we commenced business. It has been a prosperous year with us and we feel gratified that our efforts to please you have been so amply rewarded. We shall redouble our efforts for the coming year and trust we succeed as happily as heretofore.
In Order to Accommodate Belated Shoppers
OUR STORE WILL BE OPEN CHRISTMAS MORNING
The G. Heitkemper Co.
JEWELERS AND SILVERSMITHS
286 MORRISON ST.

SANG CAROLS WHILE HER HOME BURNED
Honesty Demonstrated.
As she sang Christmas carols with the choir of the Taylor Street Methodist church last night the residence of Mrs. David Edwards, East Sixteenth and Salmon streets, was destroyed by fire. The fire is said to have originated from a defective fuse. Mrs. Edwards is a member of the choir, which was practicing last night for today's services. Mr. Edwards was also away from home at the time the fire occurred. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards occupied the upper floor of a two-story flat. The lower floor was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Lauges. The upper story was completely destroyed by fire while the lower apartments were greatly damaged by the flames and by water. The building was owned by J. W. Williams.
Milwaukie Country Club.
Eastern and Seattle races. Take Sellwood and Oregon City cars at First and Alder.