Town Topics

TONIGHT'S AMUSEMENTS.

Baker......"The Admirable Crichton"
Empire ......"Hello Bill"
Lyric....."Across the Potomac"
Grand ..... Vaudeville
Star ......"Northern Lights"

With reference to a story printed Sunday morning to the effect that John Burke, a well-known citizen of Portland, was lodged in jail as a raving maniac, his sister, Miss Mary Burke, declares that it is untrue and that her brother has merely been ill for several weeks. Mr. Burke has been suffering from locomotor ataxia and has been in the care of a physician. He is far from insane, says Miss Burke, and Deputy Sheriff Bird did not call at his home, Seventh and Salmon streets, to take care of him. It had been planned for several days to send him to a private sanitarium for treatment and he was sent there Saturday.

Rev. B. S. Hughes entered on his work at the Second United Evangelical church in Albina yesterday, and preached morning and evening. Rev. J. Bowersox received a hearty welcome at Ockley Green in North Albina, Rev. A. A. Winters has been welcomed back to the First church, East Tenth and East Sherman streets, and Rev. C. P. Gates has been sent to St. Johns. The new conference year began yesterday.

A lecture will be given Tuesday at 8 p. m. at the Fourth Presbyterian church, First and Gibbs streets, by Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, on "The Contributions of the Semites to Culture." The lecture course is now nearing the close. The lectures are given by the association solely for educational purposes, and the public are cordially invited to attend. The usual musical program will be rendered.

The Odd Fellows' lodges, Rebekah lodges and encampments that meet at the Odd Fellows' temple, will celebrate the 88th anniversary of the order Friday night, April 26. A program of vocal and instrumental music will be rendered, together with the anniversary ceremonies of the order. Invitations will only be sent to the members of the west side lodges and their families.

Professor J. C. Managhan, for a number of years a resident of France, and at present chief of the bureau of consular reports at Washington, District of Columbia, will deliver a lecture at the Woodmen of the World hall, Eleventh and Alder streets, tonight on "The French Revolution from a Layman's Standpoint." Admission 50 cents.

A meeting of the New York State society will be held at the home of Mrs. R. C. Bell, 589 Sixth street, tomorrow evening. All New Yorkers residing in Portland are urged to be present. An interesting program has been arranged. The society will hereafter meet on the Third Tuesday of each month.

W. B. Holdiman, charged with a statutory offense involving Hattie Fee, a 16-year-old girl, was arraigned in the circuit court this morning. The crime is alleged to have been committed on January 1. Holdiman will plead Thursday. Henry Hoffman, charged with furnishing liquor to little boys of Lents, was arraigned and pleaded not guilty.

A slaughter house near Kelly's Butte leased by Martin Olson burned down early yesterday morning. Olson's loss was considerable, it being a small establishment. He believes that it was of incendiary origin. It was reported to the police, who referred him to the sheriff, and an investigation will be made.

The Episcopal Chinese Mission school has moved from 233 Second street and now occupies new quarters at 286 Taylor street. The school has reopened day and night, the evening school from 7:30 to 9:30. Superintendent James M. Kan, expects the regular attendance of teachers and pupils to be there.

Lawn Grass Seed, the kind that will grow and stand our long dry summers, the same that was awarded the only gold medal at the Lewis and Clark exposition, sold only by J. J. Butzer, 188 Front street, between Yamhill and Taylor. "Don't get in the wrong place."

The annual parish meeting of Trinity church which was postponed from last Monday will take place tonight at 8 o'clock at the parish house. All members are invited to be present. The annual reports will be read and there will be the election of the vestry.

We make no charge for a scientific eye examination. Small charges for proper lenses if necessary. If you need the services of a doctor we frankly tell you so. George Rubenstein, graduate optician, 183 Fourth street, between Yamhill and Taylor.

Ringler gymnasium classes now open. Join now and save $5 initiation fee. New East Side Athletic club, Grand avenue and East Morrison street. Phone East 5670. Inspection invited.

Steamer Jesse Harkins, for Camas, Washougal and way landings, daily except Sunday. Leaves Washington street dock 2 p. m.

For wire and iron fences for cemeteries or lawns, phone East 702. Columbia Wire & Iron works.

Acme Oil Co. sells the best safety coal oil and fine gasoline. Phone East 789.

For Kodaks, Kodak developing—I. L. Cohen, the Kodak store, 111 Sixth St.

Woman's Exchange, 133 Tenth street, lunch 11:30 to 2; business men's lunch.

Why pay more? Metzger fits your eyes for $1. 111 Sixth street.

Berger—Signs—284 Yamhill—Phone.

On account of the absence from the city of Attorney Muir, Judge Frazer this morning postponed the sentencing of J. W. Reed. Reed will appear for sentence on Friday morning.

Dr. William House, nervous diseases, 312-4 Oregonian.

Geneva Lithia Water—82 First St.

D. Chambers, optician, 129 Seventh.

CONSIDER CALLS TO NEW PULPITS

One of Most Important Pieces of Work to Come Before the Portland Presbytery.

The Portland Presbytery will meet this week at Calvary church for its annual meeting. It will come into session at 7:30 tomorrow night and assist in the silver anniversary celebration of Calvary church. Wednesday will be given over to business and the session will last all day with a luncheon at the church served by the woman. Rev. L. M. Boozer of the Piedmont church is a moderator and Rev. E. M. Sharp is the stated clerk, a position held for three years at a time, while the moderator is elected every six months.

The business session Wednesday morning will be given over to reports of committees, the election of commissioners to the general assembly at Columbus, Ohio, May 16, and to calls extended with the Presbytery in the past six months. The calls to be approved by the Presbytery will include that of Rev. William Hiram Foulkes to the First Presbyterian church, of Rev. G. W. Arms to the Anabel church, and of Rev. D. H. Hare to the East View church. The last has just been given, and it is not yet known if Mr. Hare, who is assistant pastor at the First church, will accept it but it must at any rate come before the Presbytery.

The most important business by far will be the acting on the report of the home missions committee. This is the time when the appropriations are made for the year's work and as the Presbytery includes Multnomah, Clatsop, Tillamook, Washington and Clackamas counties, the matter of support is a large and important one. The Montavilla church is to petition for organization under this head.

It is understood that a plea for better support of Albany college, a question which came up last week before the meeting of the Presbyterian local ministers, will come up either under the report of the committee on aid for colleges or as a special head, and there will probably be a lively discussion on the matter as opinion on its support seems widely divided.

At 2:30 tomorrow afternoon the meeting of Portland Presbytery will be called at Hawthorne Park church. This is the Presbytery formerly comprising the Cumberland churches, but since the Presbyterian and Cumberland churches were united by vote of the general assembly it is to all intents part of the Portland Presbytery only, waiting for the vote of the general assembly to unite them.

Until the assembly meets in May it is known as the Portland Presbytery A, signifying its former Cumberland existence. The session will be a short one, only to wind up the business and to elect delegates to the assembly. Rev. C. I. Brown of Scappoose is moderator.

NEGROES OPENLY PLAY POKER IN BARROOM

Patrolmen Howell, Evans and Wendorf swooped down on a poker game conducted in Walker & Allen's Climax saloon, 162 North Sixth street, shortly before 12 o'clock last night and arrested nine negroes on charges of gambling. The game was running wide open in the main barroom with no attempt at concealment and the bluecoats secured the cards, chips, $1 in cash and the table as evidence.

All of the men arrested were released on bail and the cases will be heard in the police court tomorrow. It has been reported to the police on several occasions that illegal gaming was in progress in the saloon in question, but not until last night were the authorities able to make a successful raid.

SOCIETY CIRCUS SOON TO STIR UP SAWDUST

The big society circus is now ready. Every performer is in fine trim and all details of the performance will be perfected and "pointed up" tonight.

Seats are now selling at Sherman, Clay & Co., Sixth and Morrison, and the great demand for seats assures the circus immense audiences. The street parade is now being arranged under the direction of T. Morris Dunne and will be formed at the Armory and get under way at 4 o'clock Thursday. Three performances of the circus will be given at the Armory—Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

GRANGERS TO GATHER SOON

Annual Session of State Grange at Hood River for Four Days in May.

For four days commencing Tuesday, May 34, the Oregon State Grange will hold forth at Hood River for the twenty-fourth annual session of the organization. On Thursday, May 30, the Pomona and Flora degrees will be exemplified and on the following nigh; the subordinate degrees will be conferred on candidates by the drill teams. The winners of the state grange contests will be announced and prizes awarded following the initiatory ceremonies. A special rate of one and one-third fare has been made by the Harriman lines.

Following is a complete list of the standing committees appointed by State Master Austin T. Buxton:

Finance committee—M. M. Birchner, Freewater, chairman; Ethel Walsinger, F. M. Kiser, Mrs. I. D. Driver, T. L. Turner.

Credentials—Mrs. Nettie B. Peterson, Mist, chairman; C. L. Weaver, Mary S. Howard, Ethel Walsinger, E. Arneson.

Division of Labor—G. E. Tharp, Alsea, chairman; Mrs. Mary Crane, Mrs. E. Arneson, Mrs. Emma Jones, Joseph Adams.

Mileage and Per Diem—B. K. Denny, Beaverton, chairman; Mrs. J. S. Anderson, Mrs. Mary Crane, E. Arneson, Mrs. Mollie Scoggin.

By-laws—R. W. Gill, Cleone, chairman; Mrs. Nettie B. Peterson, Mrs. Ora Holaday, W. F. Whitby, L. D. Jones.

Good of the Order—F. J. Peterson, Mist, chairman; Mrs. I. L. Hilleary, Mrs. Merita Philpott, C. T. Scoggin, Mrs. George Schott.

Woman's Work—Mrs. I. L. Hilleary, Turner, chairman; Mrs. Mary Kiser, Mrs. Alice Tharp, Mrs. I. D. Driver, Mrs. John Loftis, Mrs. Rose Crawford.

Cooperation—George Schott, Condon, chairman; B. K. Denny, Mrs. Mollie Scoggin, Mrs. A. A. Bonney, J. A. J. Crow.

Dormant Granges—Milt Richardson, McMinnville, chairman; G. E. Tharp, Mrs. M. H. Whitby, Mrs. John Loftus, T. J. Philpott.

Appeals—Mrs. Louise Beard, Oregon City, chairman; Mrs. Merita Philpott, R. B. Anderson, Mrs. Rose Crawford, Thomas Walsinger.

Education—I. D. Driver, chairman; Mrs. Alice Tharp, Mrs. A. F. Miller, Milt Richardson, L. M. Simpson.

Agricultural College—Mrs. M. H. Whitby, Corvallis, chairman; Mrs. Alice Richardson, Mrs. M. Birchner, F. M. Kiser, Henry Hoffmeister.

Agriculture—H. S. Anderson, Oregon City, chairman; T. L. Turner, Mrs. A. A. Bonney, Mrs. Ora Holaday, John Loftis.

Assessment and Taxation—W. M. Hilleary, Turner, chairman; William Beard, Eli Perkins, W. H. H. Dufur, Joseph Adams.

Legislation—H. T. Buxton, Forest Grove, chairman; C. L. Weaver, A. A. Bonney, Mrs. Louise Beard, Mrs. I. M. Simpson.

Pure Food—Mrs. H. S. Anderson, Oregon City, chairman; Elizabeth Adams, Mrs. Lula Dean, M. M. Birchner, C. T. Scoggin.

Good Roads—F. H. Crane, Cleone, chairman; Mrs. Maggie Weaver, F. J. Peterson, Mrs. N. E. Turner, Thomas Walsinger.

Transportation—J. A. Holaday, Deer Island, chairman; A. F. Miller, Mrs. B. K. Denny, Mrs. Lizzie Dufur, W. J. Dean.

Resolutions—A. F. Miller, Sellwood, chairman; John Loftis, Mrs. M. Birchner, Mrs. Emma Jones, R. B. Anderson.

M'CABE CAUGHT AND TAKEN TO WASHINGTON

Escapes From Commercial Hotel After Arrest, but Will Now Answer Charge Against Him.

Theodore McCabe, a South Portlander of unsavory reputation, who is wanted in Castle Rock, Washington, for an attempt to assault a 12-year-old girl named Ada Fletcher, was captured last night by Deputy Sheriff Archie Leonard at the west end of Madison street bridge. This afternoon City Marshal Huntington of Castle Rock took the prisoner back to the Washington town.

About six weeks ago McCabe attacked Miss Fletcher on the main street of Castle Rock and directly in front of the home of Councilman P. S. Dightman. He got a grip on her throat and tried to prevent her from screaming, but failed. Residents rushed to her assistance and the thug fled in the darkness. It was 8 o'clock in the evening, but Marshal Huntington soon had McCabe in custody. He was taken to the Commercial hotel for safekeeping, but escaped by climbing through a back window.

CELEBRATION AT CALVARY TONIGHT

Church's Members Remember Its Founding Twenty-Five Years Ago.

Tonight at Calvary Presbyterian church, Clay and Eleventh streets, will be held the first meeting in celebration of the silver anniversary of the founding of the church.

Twenty-five years ago Calvary church began its life as a separate organization, parting from the mother church from purely missionary spirit, and today there are still those among the active members of Calvary who remember its founding and have followed it through its times of growth and its necessary seasons of depression with love and devotion. A greater number of its charter members, however, have passed on and left the active work to others, but the remembrance of their zeal and faith rests not only upon the church itself, but the community of which it is a part.

Five pastors have filled the pulpit of Calvary since its founding. The first was Dr. E. Trumbull Lee, now in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, and after him Dr. Warren E. Landon, now Ladd professor in the Presbyterian theological seminary of San Anselmo, California. The next pastor, Rev. John Morrison, died in Yellowstone Park, during a vacation time in his active Portland ministry, and was succeeded by Rev. William Gilbert, now at the Astoria Presbyterian church, and a little less than a year ago Dr. B. E. S. Ely became minister to Calvary.

Dr. Landon and Mr. Gilbert have both returned to take part in the commemoration services, and to meet again the old and new members of the church in social reunion. All former and present members of Calvary church and their friends are invited to be present on these occasions.

Tonight the gathering will be an informal reception, and Mr. Foulkes, the new pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and Mr. Gilbert will speak. Tomorrow at the commemorative services Dr. Landon will be the central figure.

The following is the program for the two days:

Monday night—Greetings, "Words of Welcome," the pastor; "Mother to Daughter," Rev. William Hiram Foulkes; "Then and Now, Chiefly Then, the Session," Mr. Coleman; "The Trustees," Mr. Honeyman; "The Sunday School," Mr. Ramsdell; "The Endeavor Society," Mr. Bain; "Music," Mrs. Ely; "The Ladies' Aid Society," Mrs. Scott; "The Missionary Society," Mrs. Holt; "The Men's League," Mr. Labbe; "The Young Women's Bible Class," Miss Margaret Lamberson; music, Miss Brown; "From the Absent," communications from Rev. E. Trumbull Lee, D. D., Mrs. Morrison and former members; words from former pastors—Rev. Warren H. Landon, D. D., Rev. William S. Gilbert; hymn, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

Tuesday night—Service of thanksgiving; anthem by the choir; Scripture; hymn (written by one of the members); prayer; memorial offering; Presbytery's congratulations, the moderator; historical sketch, W. B. Honeyman; music, the choir; address, Rev. W. H. Landon, D. D., "The Influence of Calvary Church on the Pacific Slope"; service of remembrance; roll call of the members now in the Church Triumphant; prayer, Dr. J. R. Wilson; hymn, "For All Thy Saints."

OLD SLEUTH BLOOD IN THEIR VEINS

Two Youths Feed on Yellow Backed Novels, Buy Revolvers and Start for Bad Man's Land.

Three 12-year-old school boys, their imagination excited by nickel novels and the first blush of spring, played truant last Friday, bought a couple of 22-calibre revolvers and flash-light lanterns and started for the cowboy plains of Texas. They went as far as Albany, where they were arrested by Chief of Police McClain.

McClain wired to Portland and Truant Officer White took the next train for the town to the south. He brought the boys back and lodged them in the home of the Boys' and Girls' Aid society. Late this afternoon they will appear in the juvenile court and afterwards will be turned over to their parents. They are Archie McCauley of 895 Twelfth street, Eugene Spencer of Twenty-fifth and Mildred streets, and James Ellison of Twenty-fifth and Alberta streets.

SUNSHINE DAYS HERE AT LAST

Sunday Was One That Made Everybody Happy and Sent All Pleasure-Seeking.

THE LESSON OF THE DAY

A Moral for Those Who Are Fond of Music, Who Can Satisfy Heart's Desire With Little Effort.

One of those days to be remembered! And Portlanders took full advantage of it yesterday. Away they went, to the hills and woods, where the buds and blossoms could be found in all the glory of their freshness and beauty; where the scent of the wild flowers and the first genuine breath of Spring might be enjoyed to the hearts' content. Yes, it was a day for the lovers of nature to revel in.

The retreats and nooks where the sun was warm and there was a melody of bird notes; where all nature seemed to smile, and where fresh air, rest and recuperation in plenty abounded—these were the spots sought for yesterday. And it was not hard to find them, either.

But today most of us come back to the air of the shops and to the marts of trade—to the "steady grind"—to the music of electricity's whirl, to the hum, hurry and hustle of business. And when the day's work is done, how many are there who wend their way to a musicless household—a pianoless home?

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SOMETHING DOING TOMORROW.

Today or tomorrow would be a good day to investigate a little. Come to Ellers Piano House, look around. Ask to be shown through the establishment. See for yourself. There's a special sale of second-hand and slightly used instruments under way now. And every one of these are exceptional bargains. Ask to see them; the list appeared in yesterday's paper—perhaps you'll want to bring it along for reference.

Remember, "The Ellers Way" makes piano buying easy. Remember the number, 353 Washington, corner Park—and don't forget, it's The House of Highest Quality.