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TONIGHT'S AMUSEMENTS

Marquam Grand.....
....."The Story of the Golden Fleece"
Grand.....Vaudeville
Lyric.....'Road to Frisco"
Star.....'The Royal Slave"
The Oaks.....O. W. P. cars, 1st & Alder
Holladay Park.....
.....Concert by De Caprio's Band
Portland Academy Hall.....
Recital by Miss Large and Miss White

Everybody is talking about it. Prof. Delaney's airship trip from Portland to Medford, Oregon, August 3. At the height of 3,000 feet he will thrown out advertising matter for Golden Grain Granules, the 100 per cent pure cereal coffee, which all grocers sell for 25 cents per package. He expects to sail over Oregon City, New Era, Canby, Barlow, Aurora, Hubbard, Woodburn, Gervais, Brooks, Chemawa, Salem, Turner, Marian, Jefferson, Millersburg, Albany, Tangent, Shedd, Halsey, Muddy, Harrisburg, Junction City, Luper, Irving, Eugene, Springfield Junction, Goshen, Creswell, Walker, Saginaw, Cottage Grove, Divide, Comstock, Aniaup, Leona, Drain, Boswell Springs, Yoncalla, Rice Hill, Isadora, Oakland, Wilbur, Winchester, Roseburg, Green, Dillard, Murble Creek, Riddle, Nichols, West Fork, Rueben, Glendale, Wolf Creek, Leland, Grants Pass, Woodville, Gold Hill, Tolo, Central Point, and land at Medford at 8 a. m., August 5, to take part in the opening exercises at the Medford fair.

George Fowler, an employe of the city engineer's department, narrowly escaped asphyxiation by sewer gas yesterday in a manhole at the corner of Front and Couch streets. Fowler, in company with several other laborers, had gone to the intersection of the two streets to repair some defect in the sewer. It was necessary for him to lower himself into the manhole and after working for a few minutes Fowler was overcome by gas. His fellow workmen fortunately noticed his condition and hastily hauled him to the street. The patrol wagon was summoned, but Fowler quickly revived in the fresh air and it was not necessary to remove him to a hospital.

Fewer complaints of shortage of water have reached the city water department this year than in any previous year, although the growth of the city has taxed the capacity of the system during the first half of the summer. Practically all of the complaints have come from residents in the remoter districts, people living at Mt. Tabor being the principal complainants. Here the small pipes do not carry water in sufficient amount to supply adequately all of the patrons. Water officials explain the small number of complaints as due to the fact that since last summer nearly 5,000 meters have been installed and patrons are required to pay for all of the water they use.

Examinations will be held August 28 and 29 for the following positions in the federal civil service: Editorial clerk (male) division of publications, salary of $1,400 per annum, August 28 and 29. Matron and seamstress in Indian service at Pine Point, Minnesota, Fort Berthold, North Dakota; Bena, Minnesota; Seger Colony, Oklahoma, and Warmsprings, Oregon, salaries to range from $400 to $420 per annum, August 28. Wagonmaker in Indian school at Chemawa, salary of $720 per annum, August 28. Blacksmith's helper, salary $720 per annum, August 28. The examinations will be held at Astoria, Baker City, Eugene and Portland.

At the residence of William MacLeod, near Northern Hill, a double wedding was celebrated last night. Mr. MacLeod's two daughter's, Misses Chassie and Pearl were married. Miss Chassie became the wife of R. L. BeBott, and Miss Pearl married A. W. Buchanan. After the ceremony, which was pronounced by Rev. Harry Waltz, the party assembled on the lawn, which was illuminated with Chinese lanterns.

Action on the three franchises pending before the St. Johns council was again postponed last night after a session had been called especially to discuss these measures. Mayor Couch was anxious to get some action taken, but the council was not so ready to act. A. R. Jobes made a proposition whereby the city of St. Johns may build its own gas plant and not grant any of the franchises.

The following articles left on streetcars yesterday may be recovered by the owners at room 4, O. W. P. building, First and Alder: Eight miscellaneous packages, two pieces pipe, one satchel, one lunch bucket, one grain sack, five umbrellas, one pair gloves, one pair glasses, one suitcase, one key, five purses.

For stealing newspapers from the doorsteps of residences where they had been placed by the carriers, Hymas Schwartz, aged 15 years, of 271 Baker street, was committed to the Reform school by Judge Frazer in juvenile court yesterday afternoon.

The will of G. M. Settlemier was filed in the county court for probate yesterday. The heirs are the widow, Mrs. Melissa A. Settlemier, and a daughter, Mrs. Blanche Stafford. To the daughter, is bequeathed two houses at 411 and 415 East Couch street, and the remainder of the estate is left to the widow. A brother, M. R. Settlemier is named as executor.

Water throught hose for sprinkling yards or sidewalks or washing porches or windows must be paid for in advance and used only between the hours of 5 and 8 a. m., and 5 and 9 p. m. It must not be used for sprinkling streets. If used contrary to these rules, or wastefully, it will be shut off.

In the circuit court before Judge Cleland today proceedings by which it is sought to have O. M. Smith punished for contempt of court, was heard. It is alleged that Smith violated an injunction issued in a suit by the Security Abstract company against Smith.

The Free Methodist campmeeting commenced last night at Cedar park, on the St. Johns car line with a good attendance. Rev. C. R. Ebey, editor of the Free Methodist paper of Chicago, will speak tonight. The grounds are in good shape, and the accommodations are good.

Amusement—Council Crest park every evening. Take a car ride to this most beautiful spot. Music, dancing, moving pictures, illustrated, songs, etc. Vocal and instrumental music by the "Hawaiian musicians."

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

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

Acme Oil Co. sell safety coal oil and fine gasoline. Phone East 789; B-1007.

E. W. Moore, expert photographer, Elks' building, Seventh and Stark sts.

Metzger & Co., headquarters Brauer's hand-painted art china, 342 Wash. st.

Metzger's eye glasses $1, 342 Washington street.

Rooms for rent, Selling-Hirsch building.

D. Chambers, optician, 139 Seventh.

Berger—signs—284 Yamhill—phone.

Bark Tonic for rheumatism.

Beck—jeweler—205 Alder.

COUNTY OFFICES MAY BE MOVED

City Attorney Will Decide at Once Who Has Charge of City Hall.

Whether the executive board or the city council has charge of the city hall is a matter that will be determined at once by the city attorney, and if the former is named custodian it is likely that the Oregon Historical society and the county school superintendent, assessor and treasurer will be compelled to seek new quarters.

At the meeting of the executive board yesterday afternoon the point was raised by Mr. McPherson when a communication was read from the officials of the juvenile court asking that room be given for court purposes. Several months ago the juvenile court asked for quarters, but at that time no room was available. Mr. McPherson said that since the various offices now under consideration were not identified with the city government he thought they should be asked to vacate. The county, he said, should be compelled to privide a place for its own officers.

For the use of the offices occupied by the school superintendent and the county treasurer the county pays a rental of $53 per month. The rooms occupied by the assessor are paid for in the collection of city taxes by the sheriff. Mayor Lane in referring to this feature of the agreement between the county and city said the county had been well repaid for its services regardless of rent, since the county is behind about $100,000 in its tax account with the city.

If the decision of the city attorney is in favor of the council, then in all likelihood the conduct of the rentals of the rooms by the county and historical society will go on as at present. The matter, however, is considered a very important one, and an early decision is wanted.

Found a New Suit Case.

Evidently Just From the East—There are many of them, also traveling bags, hat boxes, etc. Best styles, most durably constructed. All sizes, at Robinson & Co.'s, 289 Washington—all on special sale today.

Metzger & Co., opticians, 342 Wash.

NEGLECTS ONE DUTY

Market Inspector Evans Reports That Humane Society Is Culpable in Not Looking After Live Poultry Brought Into City.

Mrs. Sarah A. Evans, market inspector, today, submitted to the city board of health her report for the month ending July 31, 1907. With this month Mrs. Evans begins her third year as inspector. The report contains a severe criticism of the Humane society which, shes ays, is culpable in not looking after the manner in which live poultry is brought into the city.

"At the request of the Consumers' league I prepared a condensed form of the national and state pure food law, of which they distributed 1,000 copies at the Chautauqua assembly," says the report. "I have also been asked by Mrs. Miller, chairman of the national committee, to prepare a circular on "Practical Market Inspection in Portland," to be sent to the women's clubs throughout the United States."

The report shows that the inspector made 226 visits during the month. The hot weather, she says, has made it difficut to preserve perishable fruit in the best condition throughout the entire day and several complaints were received from this cause. With one exception, however, it was not found necessary to condemn any large quantity of fruit. With reference to the Humane society, the inspector's report says:

"I believe the Humane society is culpable in not looking after the manner in which live poultry is brought into the city. I have called their attention to it several times. A few days ago I found a box of chickens standing on the pavement in the hot sun, so closely packed together they could not stand up, and one had its entire back rubbed bare in its effort to stand. I had them liberated, but have no doubt they found their way into the market later."

NEVER ASKED TO SAVE ANY FUEL

Late Skipper of Columbia Denied Being Asked to Reach Port on Time.

DORAN SO STATED TO JOURNAL MAN

On One Occasion Ill-Fated Steamship Pushed Ahead in Thick Weather Before Disaster at Full Speed With Dead Mariner on Bridge.

From press reports of the official inquiry into the Columbia disaster now being held in San Francisco by Captain Bermingham, supervising inspector of the First district, evidence has been adduced tending to show that the terrible cattstrophe was due primarily to demand of steamship companies of their captains to run strictly on schedule time, with a minimum consumption of coal.

That Captain P. A. Doran, the brave skipper of the ill-fated Columbia, who went down with the ship he loved, in all his marine experience was never asked by his employers to save a ton of coal, reach port at a specified time or take any undue chances with his vessel was demonstrated in a statement made by Doran to Monroe Goldstein of The Journal June 26, but 24 days before he met his death.

Statement to Journal Man.

The newspaper man was a passenger on the Columbia, leaving Portland on the morning of June 25. On the second night out Goldstein was discussing current events with Captain Doran, when the subject of marine disasters on the Pacific coast was broached.

"Is it not a fact, captain," asked the reporter, "that the majority of wrecks in these waters have been caused by the exactions of the managements of steamship companies to run on time and save coal?"

"In all my experience," declared Doran, "I have never been asked to reach port at a given time, or burn a specified quantity of fuel. I am expected to bring my ship safely into port, but never in all the years I have been running on the coast has an explanation been demanded from me as to why I was late. If a delay in sailing occurs the management naturally want to know the cause.

"The assets of a steamship company are its steamers, and they neither want to sacrifice their boats nor the lives of passengers. It was only recently that I had to lie outside of the Columbia river bar for over eight hours, as I deemed it dangerous to cross in owing to the fog and high seas. Several of the unreasonable passengers protested vigorously, and I know that they went ashore and told what an incompetent skipper I was. Criticism of that character does not bother me. The lives of everyone on this ship are in my charge, and I am not going to take any chances.

"I have often cruised about in the vicinity of the Golden Gate for half a day waiting for a favorable opportunity to go in. An illustration of the danger of haste was the sinking of the Rio Janiero. A wait of a few hours longer on the outside until the fog lifted would have saved the vessel and several hundred lives.

Don't Believe Stories.

"No, sir, don't believe stories about captains being forced to take any chances with ships or being compelled to save coal. The fact that at times we lay a course within 12 miles of shore has aroused much criticism, but it is absolutely necessary during northeasters to keep the steamer from being strained by the buffeting of the high seas."

Then the skipper who was so soon to go to a watery grave resumed his all-night vigil on the bridge. Yet in the face of his statements about not taking chances the Columbia proceeded on her fay at full speed, despite the thickness of the night.

Potter Schedule for Beach.

The steamer Potter will sail from Portland, Ash street dock, Saturday, 1 p. m. Get tickets and make reservations at city ticket office, Third and Washington street. C. W. Stinger, city ticket agent.