

Town Topics

YOUNG OPERA MANAGER MAKES SUCCESS IN FACE OF FAILURE

TONIGHT'S AMUSEMENTS. Hellig, "Strong Heart" Marjoram, "The Midnight Bell" Empire, "Why Girls Leave Home" Grand, "The Girl in the Red" Lizzie, "The Girl in the Red" Star, "Queen of the White Slaves"

Frank M. Santana, who was a member of the Royal Hawaiian band during the Lewis and Clark exposition, but in recent months has been employed as a musician in a Hawaiian orchestra in Seattle, shot himself through the head shortly before noon yesterday in his room at the Hotel Oak, Park and Oak streets. The bullet, which came from a revolver he had purchased the day before, pierced the brain, and he died in a few minutes. The cause of the suicide was not fully explained. He had asked his brother for a revolver on his arrival in Portland the day after Christmas, but gave no hint of any desire to take his life. He intimated that he wanted to defend himself from some one whom he expected to come after him from Seattle. This may have been an indication of a quarrel with the act. Santana was Portuguese, 31 years of age, and his only relative here is his brother, G. M. Santana, a member of the Hawaiian orchestra that entertains diners at a local grill.

Application of Samuel Masurovski for renewal of his license was disapproved by the license committee yesterday afternoon. Masurovski is a clothing dealer at 28 1/2 First street concerning whom there has been considerable complaint made to the city authorities at different times. Masurovski said recently that he intended to go out of business January 1 so he was allowed to retain his license until that time. However, since he has sent in his application for renewal it was decided to recommend that the renewal be refused.

Two rose trees and numerous rose bushes have recently been planted in the yard surrounding the postoffice building. Early in the spring similar flowers are to be planted around the base of the larger trees on the lawn. Months and months ago Postmaster Minto took up the matter of beautifying the federal building grounds. Eventually an order came from Washington, together with \$20,000, and postmaster was allowed to go ahead with the improvements.

Milwaukee boasts a band that has held weekly rehearsals for a number of years and has always been quick to respond to all kinds of requests for music at all times. The membership has been under a continual change but there has always remained a number of musicians in the little city to keep the organization together. It owns its own building with improvements worth about \$1,200. New Year eve the band will give a masquerade ball in the city hall.

Examinations under the authority of the United States civil service commission are scheduled to take place in Portland January 15 to fill the following vacancies in the public service: Draftsman and sanitary dairy engineer department, \$1,400; secretary, salary \$1,400 to \$1,600; apprentice engineer, hydrographic office, navy department, salary \$700; physician in the Indian service, salary \$720 to \$1,200.

Gevurts & Worrell have dissolved partnership and the business will be retained by Matthew Gevurts. In the adjustment of matters between the partners it has been determined to inaugurate a big reduction sale of stock. In view of this the members of the firm will find in today's issue a display announcement. The stock is all fresh and new, as the firm has been in business but a few weeks.

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Near Tremont Station, on the Mount Scott carline, yesterday, the house of John Vaughn was destroyed by fire. The contents of the house were burned and members of the family narrowly escaped with their lives. Vaughn is an employe of the Marshall-Wells Hardware company and but recently came to Portland.

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Frank W. Healy, Manager San Francisco Opera Company.

On the desk of the dramatic editor of one of the Chicago newspapers is the following placard, announcing in bold letters:

"Theatrical managers and advance agents not encouraged here." If the owner of the desk had ever met Frank W. Healy of the San Francisco opera company it is safe to say that he wouldn't have hoisted his sign, or at least he would have lowered it whenever Mr. Healy was in town.

Now and then one meets in various walks of life some man whose great good fortune it is to count just about every one he knows as his friend. He has the remarkable gift of making the granting of a favor on his part seem the granting of one by the favored. It lies within the power of all theatrical men to extend some small courtesies, just as it is within the power of newspapermen, or lawyers or any one else. That they all overlook their opportunities in this line with unfortunate frequency only makes Mr. Healy's position among his many friends on the coast the stronger.

He is a comparatively young man, one of the many to whom the San Francisco earthquake proved to be the floodgate of opportunity. At the time of the California disaster Mr. Healy was assistant manager of the Tivoli opera company. He had been a printer, a member of the chorus, a light opera tenor and had held other positions prior to his going with the Tivoli company. As soon as he and his company gathered a few scattered belongings from the earthquake he called Aida Blinn, Teddy Webb and the others together and proposed that they form the San Francisco opera company with him and four the coast. They agreed at once while San Francisco was still smoking in fact—and came to Portland, where they made an instantaneous hit.

From here they traveled over the west, spending a season in the Tivoli, which is now the Baker theatre at Denver, and a season in Seattle, covering all the Pacific coast states on tour. The organization, always a good singer and with some notable artists among the stars, soon began to be strengthened materially until it is now the premier light opera company of the west, if not of the country.

The success of the San Francisco company is largely due to Mr. Healy himself. Where the ninety and nine would have made a failure, he by the exercise of common sense and uncommon courtesy has made a success. His career and that of his band of singers will be watched with growing interest by the people of Portland and the whole Pacific coast.

SILVER WEDDING IS CELEBRATED. In the vicinity of Tangent, Linn county, much interest was manifested in the celebration on Christmas day of the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Jenks, pioneers in that part of Oregon. The celebration occurred at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Jenks, where a large company of friends gathered, notwithstanding the inclement weather conditions.

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\$50,000 MORE TO OPEN BANK

Reorganization Association Still Struggling With Recalcitrant Depositors.

Work by the Depositors' association of the Oregon Savings & Trust company for the week ending last night was productive of but small results. Less than \$1,000 a day was averaged in the signing for Home Telephone bonds and bank stock by depositors in lieu of their claims. This is the lowest record made in any week since the Depositors' association started in its attempt to secure a reorganization of the bank.

It is said that approximately \$50,000 of bonds and bank stock remain to be subscribed by creditors before the reorganization can hope to have its proposition entertained by men who are expected to put in sufficient new capital to reopen the bank.

President Day of the association said last night that himself and associates would continue their efforts another week, which would carry the movement to the first of the new year.

If the responses of depositors who are holding back are not sufficiently encouraging, he declared, and unless some new plan can be devised the effort to reopen the bank will fail. It is expected that a reorganization can be effected the former stockholders and directors in the suspended institution will continue their efforts to liquidate it as a liability against the bank.

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Company Now Operating at Scott's Mill Is Making Rapid Progress.

At an annual meeting of stockholders of the Oregon Diamond Mining & Development company yesterday in its offices in the Worcester building the report showed that rapid progress is being made in the company's development at Scott's Mills. It is reported that the Oregon Electric Railway company will extend a branch line from Woodburn to Scott's Mills as soon as the amount of coal tonnage.

The report of General Manager H. D. Staley of the coal company was to the effect that the slope has reached a depth of 250 feet, and is now close to a 10-inch vein of high grade coal. Further on the company expects to strike a five-foot vein of the same coal, which has been cut through by the drill the company has been working on the ground last year. The treasurer's report showed the company's treasury to be in good condition.

The stockholders elected the following directors for the ensuing year: L. C. Tobias, C. R. Lewthwaite, Martin Mattson, E. W. Reder, C. J. Hoy, F. J. Rice, Charles Hayward. The directors elected C. J. Hayward president and M.

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