Town Topics

TONIGHT'S AMUSEMENTS

Heilig.....“The Chorus Lady”
Baker.....“Arizona”
Bungalow.....“A Midnight Bell”
Orpheum.....Vaudeville
Pantages.....Vaudeville
Grand.....Vaudeville
Lyric....“The Night Before Christmas”
Star.....Hi Henry's Minstrels

Suit over the right of the city of Portland to hold a lien on property owned by the German Savings & Loan society is on trial before Judge Cleland in the circuit court today. The suit was brought by the society for the purpose of quieting the title held by the city and based on a lien for the improvement of the streets surrounding the property, which is located on Union avenue between East Main and East Madison streets. The city claims that $1496.89 is due them and the plaintiffs allege that the city council was not authorized in ordering the improvements and that they have settled with the other property owners along the same thoroughfare between Belmont street and Hawthorne avenue for a consideration of 75 cents on the dollar.

Articles of incorporation for the Portland Water Power & Electric Transportation company have been filed with the county clerk by the incorporators, W. H. Hurlburt, A. B. Crossman and R. L. Dunham. The capital stock of the company is fixed at $1,000,000, and will be divided into shares at $100 a share. The object of the corporation is to build and maintain flour, grist, woolen, paper, pulp and saw mills or any other kind of a mill; to build dams, reservoirs, ditches, aqueducts, flumes, pipes and the like and to appropriate and divert the waters of lakes and running streams, particularly the Clackamas river, into electrical and water power.

The regular Christmas entertainment of the night school will be held tonight in the assembly of the West Side High school. Following is the program: Male octette, “Speed Away,” Grammar school principals; instrumental solo, piano, “Il Trovatore,” Addie Bowie; reading, selected, Adeline Angell; vocal solo, “Spring Song,” Lottie Banfield; address, reading, “All for a Man,” Hilda Brant; instrumental solo, piano, “Cavalleria Rusticana,” Katherine Tyler; reading, “A Matrimonial Controversy,” Lottie Banfield; vocal solo, “A Man's Song,” Milton Runyan; male octette, “Gleam, Brightly Gleam,” Grammar school principals.

To the Christmas Shopper.—Safety razors, shaving outfits, fountain pens, purses and billbooks for the gentlemen; elegant handbags, toilet and manicure sets, perfumes and atomizers for the ladies—these and many others will help you out in making your Christmas selections an easy and economical task, if you will visit our store and let us show you. Appropriate goods, moderate prices, prompt and efficient service. Albert Berni, the druggist, 233 Washington street.

Special Thursday Purity Liquor Co.—$1.50 grade port, sherry, Tokay, Maderia, muscat and Superior claret at $1 per gallon. Ell Wood, the pure food whiskey, regular $4, at $3 per gallon. Linn Wood whiskey, regular $3, at $2.50 per gallon. Old California brandy, regular $4, at $3 per gallon. Phone East 4427, B-1353. Free delivery. 303 East Morrison.

E. M. Russell, according to his wife, struck her because she declined to give him 50 cents to secure his admission to a dance. But after he had appeared in the justice court yesterday afternoon he wished he had not been so insistent about the 50 cents, for he was fined $50 on a charge of assault and battery. Russell lives at 472 Miller avenue, Sellwood.

The ability of the boss gamblers of Chinatown to put up almost any amount of bail money at any time of the day or night was shown again last night when 20 Chinese were arrested at 83½ Second street by Sergeant Kay and Officer Graves. It was 9 o'clock but before long that $1000 in good hard money had been deposited and the players freed from custody.

Don't forget to get a nice bottle of good perfume for the ladies. As a Christmas gift it is always appropriate and acceptable and makes a nice addition to that other present. See our line. We can satisfy you, both in quality and price. Albert Berni, the druggist, 233 Washington street.

Proceedings for the extension of Mill street from Sixteenth to Lownsdale were discontinued this morning by the council when it voted not to adopt the report of the viewers. Several property owners appeared at the session and stated that the prices offered by the viewers were unfair and unjust.

The following articles were found on the Portland street cars yesterday: Fourteen umbrellas, two hammers, one pair rubbers, two pairs mittens, one key, five packages, one lunch box, two baskets, one book of abstracts, one vice, one purse, one suit case, one stick pin.

A large assortment of fine pictures and frames at reasonable prices, artistic framing a specialty. Good workmanship guaranteed. Before buying we invite you to see our fine collection for Christmas. Richard Max Meyer, 348 Alder street, near Seventh.

“Electropodes” worn in the shoes are guaranteed to cure cold feet, rheumatism, poor circulation, or money back. Fair proposition, isn't it? Albert Berni, the druggist, 233 Washington street, will tell you all about it.

Special tomorrow—Twenty-five per cent off on all sterling silver manicure pieces and sets. Vincent's, 142 Fifth street, between Alder and Morrison streets.

Wines and liquors, new store, new ideas, new prices. Try us for Christmas orders. Otto Rothchild & Co., 300 Third corner Columbia. Main 6310.

Stove factory removal sale—come get a stove or heater at less than wholesalers' cost, 99c up. 271 First street, near Madison.

One hundred and twenty-nine dollars and sixteen cents was all that Judge Cleland allowed the Case Threshing Machine company in their suit this morning against the board of equalization for a reduction in their assessments of $5000. The property of the threshing machine company was assessed at $33,000 and the board cut the assessment down to $20,000 but the corporation was still dissatisfied and asked for another reduction of $5000.

Frank W. Train, aged 40, formerly a resident of Belmont, Cal., and an attendant of insane, has, himself, been adjudged insane by the sanity commission and will be committed to the asylum.

Our store will be open Wednesday and Thursday nights (December 23 and 24) until 10 o'clock. Dresser's & Sealy-Mason company.

One thousand little Christmas articles, desirable presents, at closing out prices. Elite China and Glass company, 352 Morrison st.

Kelly's Family Liquor Store, Park and Morrison. High grade wines and liquors. One price to all. Free delivery. Tel. Main 28. Home, A-2802.

Davis & Kilburn of 249 Morrison street, carry a very attractive line of holiday goods, books and stationery—just what you want for Christmas.

Clean lump coal, thoroughly screened, for furnace, range or stove, prompt delivery; weight guaranteed. Oregon Fuel Co., Main 65, A-1665.

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

Barber shops will remain closed all day Christmas but will keep open until 10 p. m. Thursday. T. M. Leabo, secretary.

Cut holly, mistletoe and Christmas trees; order now. Portland Seed Co., Front and Yamhill streets.

Hudson's gun store open every evening this week. No. 110 Third street.

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

W. A. Wise and associates, painless dentists, Third and Washington.

D. Chambers & Son, opticians, 321 Morrison, cor. Sixth, are the best.

Subscriptions for all periodicals taken at Gill's.

Dr. Haynes, optician, Salmon near 5th.

Berger, signs. 284 Yamhill. M. 9391.

Journal want ads. 1c a word.

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All Toys, Dolls, Games, Books, Ornaments, etc., at Cost.

Closing out all Christmas goods at cost. Extra salespeople; good service; special deliveries to all parts of the city. McAllen & McDonnell, Third and Morrison.

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MERCHANT IS TARGET FOR BULLETS

J. A. Seeber, Teamster, Fires Two Shots at G. L. Davenport, Commission Man—Dispute Over Trivial Matter Nearly Causes Tragedy.

George Davenport

G. L. Davenport, a commission merchant at 144 Front street, became the target for two bullets fired at him by J. A. Seeber, a teamster, this morning. Davenport was but five feet from Seeber when he saw him pull the revolver from his pocket, but as the commission man turned and ran quickly, he dodged both bullets.

Seeber remained on the scene, and had the gun still in his hand when the patrol wagon arrived and was arrested by Officers Harms and Gruber. He was locked up on a charge of assault and attempt to kill.

Seeber, according to Davenport, insisted on unloading wood in front of Davenport's store early this morning. Davenport says he told the teamster as it was not his wood to unload it farther along the street. Seeber called Davenport a vile name and repeated it when remonstrated with by the commission merchant. Then Davenport knocked him down.

Seeber left the vicinity of the store, but a few minutes before 9 o'clock Davenport looked up and saw Seeber standing near him. At that instant Seeber whipped out the revolver he had evidently gone away to procure, and as Davenport turned on his heel and ran Seeber fired twice, but missed.

Seeber, who is 70 years of age, declared after his arrest that he could not bear the ignominy of being knocked down and struck in the face, and that he had brought the pistol from his home to get revenge for the blows struck by the commission merchant. He will appear tomorrow in the municipal court.

STRIVES TO UNTANGLE LAWS

City Attorney Drafts Ordinance to Cure Confusion Caused by Vehicle Tax Decision—Shortens Referendum Limit on Legislation.

An ordinance drafted by City Attorney Kavanaugh for submission to the city council this afternoon will, Mr. Kavanaugh thinks, relieve the confusion caused by the recent decision of the supreme court in the vehicle tax case, relative to the influence of the referendum upon all legislation.

According to that decision, no ordinance passed by the city council becomes effective until 30 days after its passage. The charter provides that ordinances shall take effect at the expiration of 10 days unless the mayor disapprove.

The city attorney provides in his bill that the time for the invocation of the referendum on city ordinances shall be limited to 15 days after approval by the mayor, or within the same time after a veto has been overruled. In event the mayor neither approves nor disapproves an ordinance within 10 days, then the time fixed within which the referendum may be invoked is also 15 days.

Authority for the passage of the remedial ordinance, says Mr. Kavanaugh, is given in the state law, which provides that exceptions to the 30 day rule may be made in cases of emergency. The city attorney's proposed measure is itself declared to be in the nature of an emergency and contains an emergency clause.

OREGON FLOWERS

Most Beautiful Christmas Presents.

Many people express surprise at learning that all the flowers and plants on display at Clarke Bros.' floral shop are grown here in Oregon. More especially because of the magnificent Poinsettias shown, a great many persons believing that they come from California which is not the case. Messrs. Clarke Bros.' annual Christmas sale of fine flowers and plants is now in progress. There are on sale hundreds of pretty things in flowering plants which will bring joy to the heart of any lady. In cut flowers there will be a big stock of the most popular sorts. Roses, Carnations, Chrysanthemums, Violets, Poinsettias, Lilies of the Valley, Hyacinths, Narcissus, etc. A free special delivery to all parts of the city will be maintained. Clarke Bros., leading florists, 287 Morrison street, opposite Corbett building.

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CORNELL'S HEAD TO VISIT PORTLAND

President Schurman of Cornell university, who is now on his way to Portland, has changed his plans in order to make a longer stay here. He will arrive Saturday morning and spend Saturday and Sunday in the city. He is to be the guest of the Cornell Alumni association and the University club at dinner Saturday evening. There are about 40 Cornellians in the city, and as many more in Oregon and the neighboring portions of Washington and Idaho, and a large attendance of college men at the dinner is assured.

President Schurman is accompanied by his daughter, and they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wells Gilbert, 781 Marshall street during their stay. Although Dr. Schurman was president of the first Philippine commission, this is his first visit to the Pacific northwest.

He goes from here to Seattle to meet the Cornell men of that city and thence to Spokane, where he is to address an educational convention. He is making a hurried trip and expects to return to Ithaca in time for the opening of the university after the holidays.

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