

### Town Topics

#### TONIGHT'S AMUSEMENTS

Hellig. Mme. Johanna Gadski in Concert Baker "The Lieutenant and the Cowboy" Bungalow "A Navajo's Love" Orpheum "Vaudeville" Grand "Vaudeville" Star "Vaudeville" Lyric "The American Girl"

**Form Local Chapter.**—For the purpose of forming a Portland chapter of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, about 40 local electricians met in the patent room of the public library last night at 8 o'clock. L. B. Cramer of the Portland academy and G. B. Caldwell of the Portland Light and Power company called the meeting and it was explained that 25 members were necessary to form a chapter which could become affiliated with the national organization. There were only 12 members before last night's meeting. Some of those present were: G. B. Caldwell, O. B. Caldwell, H. S. Sladen, E. D. Sealing, L. H. Lee, W. M. Hamilton, E. W. Elliott, H. Gray, W. J. Waisman, C. C. Fowler, W. Spaulding, L. B. Cramer, W. S. Turner, S. Ring, W. H. Galvani, W. D. Moore, E. L. Ritter, C. G. Harris, A. Hoback, J. Wallace, G. E. Higgins, L. M. Antoine, A. E. Burghoff, H. M. Friendly, E. A. Huran, W. A. Robb, W. B. Brooks, E. S. Durkee, W. H. H. Quinn, O. P. Guidemester and E. F. Barbour.

**Midway Forms Club.**—Residents of Midway, at a meeting held in the hose company's hall there last night, formed the Midway Improvement club for the purpose of furthering public improvements in that district. The following officers were elected: President, W. B. Barbour; vice president, Arthur Brook; secretary, N. J. Hewitt; treasurer, D. S. McLean. A committee was appointed to investigate the advisability of opening up Seventh street through Ladd farm from Harold street, a distance of a mile and a half. Other committees were appointed to investigate matters of interest to Midway residents, including one to report on the possibility of a bridge at Sherman street across the river.

**offerings for Sufferers in Italy.**—Next Sunday will be the last Sunday upon which offerings will be made for the Episcopal church for sufferers by earthquake in Italy. Many individuals have already contributed through collections sent to Bishop Seoding, which will be forwarded early next week to the Bishop of Gibraltar, and also to Rev. C. B. Huleatt, who was the rector in charge of the Episcopal church at Messina. Mr. Huleatt's body, and that of his wife and two children were discovered in the ruins of the rectory a few days after the earthquake.

**Sees on Assignments.**—The Pacific States Adjustment company has filed an action in the circuit court against the Standard Trust company. The complaint alleges, first, that the defendant agreed to pay to the plaintiff \$200,000 for room three in the Chamber of Commerce, which payment it has not yet made and, second, that the defendant employed and detained A. E. Clark as its attorney from January 1 to June 30, 1908, agreeing to pay him \$100 a month, and that Clark has received. Both accounts have been assigned to the plaintiff and judgment is asked for \$300.

**Two Schools for St. Johns.**—The citizens of St. Johns at a special election held on Monday decided to erect two new schools, a high school and a grammar school. The plans for the two structures will be drawn and the buildings will be put up soon at a cost of \$60,000. The high school is to be situated on block 42 of the asterisk and the grammar school on block 43. The grade school will be located near Smith's crossing. The election in favor of erecting the schools was carried by a vote of 78 majority for the high school and 22 majority for the grade school.

**Archer Place Home Burns.**—The residence of Dr. Herbert Miller at Archer place was destroyed by fire last night. Although the fire started in the roof of many neighboring homes and it was feared that several of them would also be destroyed, no other damage was done, except to the barn owned by Dr. Miller and located behind the house, where the fire started. The fire was blowing at the time of the fire and the firemen found it very difficult to fight the flames. The fire engine No. 9 responded and helped save the homes of neighbors.

**Baby Case Continued.**—The case of the Baby Home against Edward L. Gage and wife has been continued to Monday. The home desires the custody of Elvira Elgin, 2 years old, whom it alleges, it adopted in November last. A writ of habeas corpus was issued and the baby was brought into Judge Gantenbein's court yesterday afternoon. Upon request of counsel the case was continued.

**Mount Scott Masons Organize.**—A number of Masons residing in Mount Scott section met Wednesday evening in Dr. S. D. Briggs' office at Arleta and effected a temporary organization with the object in view of organizing a lodge. There was a good attendance and a subsequent meeting will be held next Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Masons interested will please take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

**Raid on Fantan Den.**—Hearing the clink of coins behind a barred door at 87 Second street last night Officer Small, who has incurred the displeasure of the Chinese gamblers by numerous single handed raids on fantan games, smashed through the door and entered, but by that time the gamblers had escaped. Chin Sang, the proprietor of the store in front of the fantan den, began to

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### MME. GADSKI HERE IN CONCERT TONIGHT



Mme. Johanna Gadski.

Johanna Gadski, the great Wagnerian soprano, who sings at the Hellig theatre tonight, arrived last night and is in the Hotel Portland. She is in splendid form and has just given concerts in Seattle, Victoria and Vancouver under the management of Lois Steers-Wynn Coman. She goes from here all over the northwest and then back to the Metropolitan opera house.

After her opening concert in New York, the Times of October 19, said: "Mme. Gadski's voice yesterday sounded rich and beautiful, and showed many of the finer qualities that have endeared her to lovers of good singing in this city. It had power, luscious beauty of quality, and dramatic color, and there is an especial individuality and beauty in it in softer passages of sustained tone which she manages with exceeding skill. In addition to her beautiful voice she has a commanding force and feeling for music, and what she accomplishes is felt to be the result of painstaking and careful effort."

course and abuse the policeman in the vilest language, so after Small had heard Mr. Chin Sang's chin sing for some time he took the Chinaman across the street and charged him with disorderly conduct.

**Invitation of the Plumber.**—In a letter addressed to Mayor Lane, President Edward Quinn of the American Society of Inspectors of Plumbing and Sanitary Engineers, asks that the city engineer Hey of this city be sent at the expense of the municipality to the next convention of the society to be held at Omaha, February 8. President Quinn assures the mayor that the money spent in sending a delegate to the convention will be returned to the city by the increased efficiency of the inspector after he has returned.

**Lists Park Properties.**—Parkkeeper Michae has prepared a tabulated list of property on Mount Tabor which is suitable for park purposes. The list contains the names of owners, the assessor's valuation of the property, the prices offered for the property and the names of the property. Copies of this list will be furnished to members of the park board at the next meeting and any persons interested in parks is at liberty to examine the copies.

**Harbormaster Speler** is making preparations to tow the bath house back from the O. R. & N. docks to its moorings at the foot of Jefferson street, from which the rickety old structure was doliaged last week by the freshet. Captain Speler thinks the bath house should be put out of commission and that the public baths should be installed at some point away from the river front, which in his opinion is no place for children.

**Opium Smokers Arrested.**—Officers Spier and Murray last night discovered that an old opium joint at Fourth and Flinders had been reopened, so the den was raided. Wong Foot, the proprietor, and several other men and women who have been arrested times without number, were soon in jail. The Chinaman Wong Foot is the one being that his name really should be Wong Foot.

**Fixing Up Certificates.**—Superintendent Frank Rigler of the city schools was busy all morning signing eighth grade certificates in promotion to the high school. More than 600 of these certificates will be issued to the successful students of the graded schools at the close of the present school term next week.

**Appraisement in Filed.**—An appraisement has been made and filed in the county clerk's office in the estate of Hannah McIntosh, deceased. The personal property is valued at \$433.11 and the real estate at \$4000. The appraisers were M. E. Thompson, W. C. Cole and G. Gunderson.

**Noakes Asks Letters.**—Clifton F. Noakes has petitioned for letters of administration in the estate of his father, George Noakes. The deceased left property worth \$2000 and the heirs are Mrs. Mary E. Noakes, the widow, and Clifton F. Noakes, son.

**Found on Streets.**—The following articles were found on the Portland streets on January 28: Two gloves, one knife, one overcoat, one lunch box, one muff, one handbag, three books, two pins, one package.

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### AT THE THEATRES

**"The Lieutenant and the Cowboy."**  
The last three performances of "The Lieutenant and the Cowboy" will be given at the Baker tonight, tomorrow matinee and night. The play is from the pen of Anthony Willis, and is one of his best.

**Return of the Favorites.**  
At the Baker theatre next week the well known San Francisco opera company will be the attraction, offering its beautiful big production of "The Strollers." Teddy Webb and the old favorites are in the cast.

**"A Navajo's Love" at Bungalow.**  
The closing performance of "A Navajo's Love" will be given at the Bungalow tonight, tomorrow matinee and tomorrow night. The third act shows a unique scene, being the inside of an Indian wigwam.

**Another Hit at the Lyric.**  
"The American Girl" has scored a hit at the Lyric theatre this week. Tonight the regular company will be permitted the German stock company to give their regular weekly show.

**A Delightfully Amusing Program.**  
Dainty Marjorie Lake and her dancing girls and boys, 16 in number, are presenting a spectacular musical extravaganza at the Pantages theatre this week to capacity houses at each performance. Best and biggest vaudeville act in Portland.

**Dan, the Intoxicated Canine.**  
Yes, Dan, the famous intoxicated canine, will be seen at Pantages theatre next week, with Barnold's dog and monkey actors, presenting their one act comedy pantomime, "A Hot Time in Dogville."

**"The House of a Thousand Candles."**  
The Baker stock company will present for the first time in Portland the dramatization of Meredith Nicholson's popular novel, "The House of a Thousand Candles," all next week, starting Sunday matinee.

**Imro Fox Coming to Orpheum.**  
Imro Fox, the illusionist and "deceptionist," who pays his first visit here to the Orpheum, is an American, although his triumphs have been scored abroad. At the Empire in London, the Folies Bergere in Paris and the Wintergarten in Berlin he is a favorite.

**Fun Makers at Orpheum.**  
Farrell Taylor company consists of Farrell Taylor, Blanche Daver, and Tom Carter, and this trio is a winner when it comes to making you laugh. They all have good voices and their musical numbers are catchy and clever.

**All New Acts at Star.**  
For next week the Star theatre will have a new act of all new acts at popular prices. The present week's bill is good and the coming one promises to be better. The Leaders, formerly with the Ringling Bros. circus, will lead the list of attractions.

**Carlyle Moore Coming.**  
"The Man's the Thing" is the romantic playlet which will serve to reintroduce Carlyle Moore to his old admirers in Portland. Mr. Moore, who comes to the Grand as a feature next week, was formerly stage director for the Baker Stock company.

**Two Matinees a Day.**  
There are two matinees each day at the Star theatre and there are three performances each night. Seven acts are given on the program and the feature will come with snap and ginger. Gladys Vay of Murray & Mack fame, heads the list.

**Send the Children.**  
Parents should send the children to see the vaudeville entertainment at the Grand tomorrow. It is a bill which is of especial interest to children. There is plenty of fun and singing and dancing.

**UNKNOWN BURBANK CREATES FLOWERS**  
An unknown Burbank has created many new varieties of flowers. The work of this wizard would make one think of "Rose Carnival days in Portland." The study of the flower appeals to the Portlander with particular force, for this is the summerland of flowers and the home of the rose.

**REAL ESTATE MEN TO DISCUSS H. B. 25**  
Tonight, in the convention hall of the Commercial club, the Realty board will meet to discuss house bill 25, which proposes to make some radical changes in the law governing the collection of commissions by real estate brokers. That provision of the proposed law which is existing the realty dealers is the requirement of a written contract or option before a commission can be collected.

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**ASHLAND ELECTRIC PLANT IS ASSURED**  
Ashland, Or., Jan. 29.—This city held another election yesterday on the sale of the \$77,500 bond issue for the municipal electric light plant. The vote was 428 for the bond amendment and 14 against. This practically closes the deal and the city will proceed to complete the plant as soon as the weather will permit resumption of work.

**WASHINGTON GRANGE INDORSES ROAD BILL**  
Forest Grove, Or., Jan. 29.—The Washington county Pomona grange met in annual convention Wednesday in Masonic hall in this city. Delegates from the different local granges of the county were royally entertained by the Gale grange of Forest Grove.

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