

Town Topics

TONIGHT'S AMUSEMENTS

HILLIARD—Walter Whitehead in "The Typhoon." **BAKER**—The Baker Players in "The Graceland." **OLIVE**—Vandeville (in Broadway Theatre). **LIVELY**—Kester & Flood Musical Comedy company in "The Merry Minstrels." **THE EXPRESS**—Vandeville. For amusement advertising, see page 2.

Weather Conditions.—Portland and vicinity—Fair tonight and Wednesday; Easterly winds. Generally fair to light and Wednesday. Easterly winds. Idaho—Generally fair tonight and Wednesday.

THEODORE F. DRAKE,
Acting District Forecaster.

Estate Valued at \$75,400.—An estimate of \$75,400 is placed as the value of the estate of James Olson, whose death occurred last Tuesday, according to a petition for probate of the will filed in probate court yesterday. N. F. Noren was appointed executor without bonds as provided in the will. The real estate, valued at \$45,000, is left to N. F. Noren in trust, and during the life of Mrs. Lizzie Olson, the widow, will be kept as near intact as possible. The annual income of \$3000 is to be divided among the heirs. Beside Mrs. Olson there are two daughters, Mrs. Mary Olson and Mrs. Florence Poolman, and two grandchildren, Mabel and Frank James Olson. When the estate is finally divided each daughter will receive a third and the remaining third will be divided between the grandchildren.

Josselyn Asks Damages.—President Josselyn of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company has submitted to the city auditor a bill for \$2563.29 for damages sustained by the company by reason of its having taken up a number of underground cables in order to make way for the construction of the west approach of the Broadway bridge. The company went to this expense in order to accommodate the city, but no agreement was ever entered into by which the city might be forced to pay the company for the cost of removing the cables. Mr. Josselyn says in a letter submitting the bill that the city should in all justice reimburse the company.

Dinners for Poor.—The day before Christmas the Salvation army will distribute from its relief headquarters, 47 North Second street, baskets providing dinners for the poor of this city. In addition a Christmas tree and entertainment will be given when each child will receive a present. Any poor families in need of a Christmas dinner who will call at the relief headquarters on or before December 26, will be given a case of food. Names and addresses of poor families should be sent in on or before December 20, so that the list can be compiled as early as possible.

Injured Man Improving.—Thomas J. Spooner, an Oregon pioneer of the fifties, who was run down by an automobile at Tenth and Hall streets Monday evening, December 3, is resting easily and is in a slightly improved condition, although sustaining a broken leg, crushed left hand, severe bruises to head, arms and body, and injuries to his spine. Unless complications set in the attending physician expects that he will not be confined in casts for a longer period than three or four weeks. Friends are asked not to be apprehensive, as conditions indicate that with sufficient length of time and care he will be about again.

Boys Held to Grand Jury.—The five calf thieves arrested last Friday, namely, Rubie Eppers, Roy Cox, Frank Jones, Dale Clearwater and Claude Hodges, were given a preliminary hearing yesterday before Circuit Judge Morrow and each waived examination. They were held to the grand jury and are still in the county jail in default of \$5000 bail each. All have confessed to stealing calves from farmers in Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington counties, Or., and Clarke county, Wash. The thefts total about \$1000 worth of stock and number over 70 head.

Claims Record Sweet Potato.—A. D. Lee of 211 Corbett building disputes the claim made by R. J. Youmans of Baker, Ga., that he is the discoverer of sweet potato, grown in Georgia, an account of which was printed in last Sunday's Journal, is the largest on record and to substantiate his claim, he shows a photograph of one which he claims weighed 27 pounds. This "record" sweet potato was grown on the Gila river, near Gila Bend, Ariz., by Ed Naramore, and was presented to Mrs. Lee. The potato was found to be perfectly solid, sweet and delicious. "This is the record potato, I believe," said Mr. Lee.

Greater Portland Plan Lecture.—Marshall N. Dana will deliver an illustrated lecture tomorrow night at a meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the North Portland Improvement club, on what the east side will get from the Greater Portland plan project. The East Side Business Men's club will have a representative present to talk on the Rose Festival. The meeting was called by Mrs. Frank C. Nichols. The North Portland Improvement club is invited to participate in this meeting as guests of the woman's organization.

Trustee Sues Woman.—Though Nanette Albritton was awarded \$2000 damages against the United Railways a few days ago by a jury in the circuit court, she may only receive enough to pay her lawyer from the damages. A suit was filed yesterday in the circuit court by Joseph M. Jones, trustee in bankruptcy, to secure all of the amount except that which it was agreed the attorneys

should receive. Mrs. Albritton was a member of the partnership firm of Albritton & Lowe, Kansas City, Mo., which went bankrupt last September and has never been able to pay the debts which were left.

Claims Accounts Are Mixed.—Claiming that L. G. Davidson hopelessly muddled the affairs of the Davidson-Ward company and the Gold Hill Line Ditch company while treasurer of both, Milo Ward, a heavy stockholder in both concerns, has asked for an accounting in a suit filed in the circuit court. Ward claims that approximately \$30,000 has been misappropriated by Davidson and that the misappropriations occurred five years ago but states that he had such absolute confidence in Mr. Davidson that he never questioned the figures until other stockholders began to question some of Davidson's acts.

Royal Arcanum Elects.—Multnomah council, 1481, Royal Arcanum held its annual election of officers last Monday evening. The following members were elected for the year 1913: Regent, C. N. Stockwell; vice regent, Kenneth Evans; past regent, Vincent V. Jones; orator, Judge W. L. Cooper; secretary, P. L. Cover; collector, H. Clausen; treasurer, E. M. Orth; chaplain, L. C. Mackay; guide, C. B. Nielsen; warden, H. G. Wellington; sentry, G. W. Baldwin; trustee, W. M. Kapus. After the business sessions the members gathered in a body at a restaurant, where light refreshments were served.

J. B. Kerr to Address Club.—James B. Kerr is to be the chief speaker before the Progressive Business Men's club at its luncheon in the Multnomah hotel Thursday at noon. His subject will be the workmen's compensation act, and because of the interest had in the measure by all employees, members of the "Boozy" and the chamber of commerce, the Manufacturers' association, and others, have been invited in. Jacob Kandler is to serve as chairman of the day.

Will Discuss Fruit Industry.—A luncheon will be held by the members of the Northwestern Fruit Exchange in the Commercial club Friday noon. An address on the business phases of the fruit industry, with special attention to the industry, financing and distribution is to be the most important part of the program. Several other interesting matters are to be considered. A large number of invitations have been sent out to those interested in the fruit industry.

Policeman Saves House From Fire.—Patrolman Schmidtke of the second night relief saved the house at 243 Winchell street this morning from destruction by fire. Climbing to the roof, he used the garden hose and an ax with which to put out a spark as soon as it fell on the house. A building next door to this number was of fire, being entirely destroyed. The patrolman fought the fire from the roof top until the department arrived.

Bold Lignor to Minor.—J. W. Anchov, saloonkeeper in South Portland, pleaded guilty this morning in the municipal court to selling liquor to a minor. The fine was \$100 given him by Paul Moscow, 18 years old, yesterday. Moscow was arrested yesterday while under the influence of liquor. When arraigned in the municipal court yesterday, the court asked where the liquor was purchased. The boy took the policeman to the saloon.

To Discuss "Child Study."—The Parent-Teachers' Circle of Portland Heights will meet tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the W. C. T. U. school. Mrs. Samuel R. Norton, a kindergarten teacher of wide experience, will address the meeting on the subject, "Child Study." A cordial invitation to attend the meeting is extended those interested in the work.

Mexican Arrested on U. S. Charge.—Jose Lopez, a Mexican with several aliases, was brought in from Klamath Falls this morning by Deputy United States Marshal W. Griffith on a charge of selling liquor to Indians of the Klamath reservation. The arrest was made on a commissioner's warrant on information filed by Assistant United States District Attorney Maguire.

Legends of the North.—Tegner's beautiful romance of the Viking age, "Fritiof's Saga," will be presented by the translator, Dr. Clement B. Shaw, at Taylor street Methodist Episcopal church, Thursday, at 8 o'clock. The story will be illustrated with 200 artistic stereoscopic views. Under auspices of Columbia Singing club.

Central W. C. T. U. to Meet.—Central W. C. T. U. will hold its regular meeting tomorrow afternoon. Mrs. Mary Mallett and Mrs. Lora Little will lead a discussion on anti-narcotics, and the Owens Adair bill. Everybody is invited to come and take part. A very important business session will be held.

Improvement Club to Meet.—The cross town streetcar line and other matters of importance will be discussed at the regular meeting of the Sunnyside Improvement club that will meet tomorrow night in the office of Dr. Pettit, Thirty-fourth and Belmont streets.

W. C. T. U. Meeting.—The regular meeting of the young people's branch of the W. C. T. U. will be held at 8 o'clock tonight in the home of Mrs. Nina Y. Sprecher, 864 East Sumner street, according to a call sent out by the secretary of the organization.

Arrested for Passing Bogus Checks.—A. H. Halsey, a lumber worker, is under arrest for passing worthless checks. Two businessmen given local banks have turned out to be bogus. They aggregate \$225. The case will be heard Friday.

Psychology Club Reception.—The Portland Psychology club will give a reception tomorrow in the Elizabethan room of the Imperial to members, their friends and the public from 2:30 to 5 o'clock.

50 Per Cent Discount.—Marked price, on toilet, manicure, brush and desk sets, hand bags, vases and leather novelties. Do the Xmas shopping now. Alder Street pharmacy, 242 Alder.

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Person in the office of the federal clerk. His liabilities are \$12,340 and assets are \$2546.

The David M. Rotaford Service.—Handling the advertising of a large number of local concerns, has removed to 1025-1027 Board of Trade building.

Gifts for Xmas and prices for card parties at the Shop of Fine Arts, corner Seventh and Salmon.

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Important Notice.—Hereafter Southern Pacific Passenger trains will not stop at East Portland and no tickets will be sold to or from that station. Passengers should take trains at East Morrison street or Lake depot.

Men's Overcoats.—They are walking away at no-runt prices. My \$30-a-month rent is no rent compared with the high rents of stores on the street. Johnny Dunn, 208 1/2 Oregonian bldg. Take elevator.

It's Not Too Late.—To have your Xmas portrait taken, if you have the sittings at once. Have yours in Anne's special Xmas water color surface paper. Columbia bldg.

Brilliant Meteor Seen to Traverse Southeastern Sky.—New entertainment features every week at the Louvre Grill. Musical program, 6 to 8, and 10 to 12 p. m.

♦ A brilliant meteor traveling ♦ half way across the heavens and ♦ disappearing about 20 degrees ♦ above the horizon, was seen last ♦ Sunday evening by Edward Hut- ♦ ton of the Columbia Steel com- ♦ pany while walking south along ♦ the Vancouver trestle. Others ♦ have also reported that they saw ♦ it. Mr. Hutton had been out ♦ fishing and was returning home ♦ about 6:20 o'clock, when he had ♦ a full view of what he thinks ♦ must have been a very large ♦ meteor. It first appeared in the ♦ southeast and traveled to the ♦ east nearly or quite half way ♦ across the heavens. The head ♦ was dazzling and the tail seemed ♦ to be fully 10 degrees in length. ♦ "It was the most brilliant ♦ thing of the kind that I have ♦ ever seen," he said.

MASONIC ASSOCIATION REELECTS OLD OFFICERS.—The Masonic Building association held its annual meeting at the Masonic Temple yesterday, and in the election, all the old officers were reinstated. They are W. E. Grace, president; W. C. Bristol, vice president; M. S. Woodcock, treasurer; J. F. Robinson, secretary.

Nothing was given out for publication regarding plans for a new Masonic temple as the board wishes to work quietly until everything has been fully matured.

The Danish mercantile marine attained a record both in number and tonnage in 1912 and has been steadily decreasing since that time.

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MAYOR WILL SIGN TRAFFIC MEASURE

Bill Was Fully Considered in Committee and Is Reasonable, He Says.

Notwithstanding the fact that two petitions containing signatures of 600 merchants, physicians, lawyers and business men generally, requesting the mayor to veto the traffic ordinance passed by the city council at its last regular meeting, were submitted to Mayor Rushlight today, he announced that he would probably sign the measure anyway.

"I have not yet read the petition," said the mayor, "but I understand the principal objections set forth are that the speed limit of 15 miles in the industrial district is too low and that the provision prohibiting the parking of vehicles for more than 30 minutes at a time in the congested districts is too drastic.

"While I realize that any traffic measure to be of use to the general public must meet with opposition from some quarters, I am nevertheless of the opinion that the special traffic committee of the council gave all these objections thorough consideration and that the council acted with due knowledge of the facts in the case.

"The special committee wrestled with the traffic question for many months,

frequent hearings were given and the protest of all interested persons were freely invited. I feel that the committee weighed all protests and acted with a desire to benefit the city as a whole. I do not believe that it is my province to veto such action."

The two remonstrances submitted to the mayor today contain the names of J. Wesley Ladd, Will Lipman, Adolph Wolfe and many other well known citizens, and in addition to these names more than 50 doctors have protested.

More than 300 members of the local fire department have signed a petition asking that they be allowed one day off duty in every five. The petition, which was referred to Mayor Rushlight yesterday, states that the men have not enough time to spend with their families under the present system. A fireman is on duty 24 hours every day, except for an hour allowed for each meal.

The men have one day in every eight for a holiday. Until a week or two ago members of the police department never had any time off. An ordinance passed by the council recently permits the executive board to give each policeman two days off duty in every month. A policeman, however, works only eight hours a day.

Prefers Home to Rockpile, Now.—Adolph Schewe, living in Multnomah addition, who said two weeks ago that he would rather go to the rockpile than live at home, has changed his mind, coming before Judge Taxwell this morning to ask for leniency. The judge suspended his sentence.

STATE MAKES LAKE REFUGE FOR GAME

Little Sturgeon lake on Sauvie island has been made a state game refuge, and next Sunday thousands of wild ducks, ordinarily slain in great numbers on this lake and which would otherwise be driven from Astoria clear to the gorge will there find shelter. The last owner of the lands around this body of water signed the agreement yesterday afternoon, and by today the lake will be entirely posted with warnings.

Next Sunday State Game Warden Finley will have a large force of deputies on hand to patrol the refuge.

This is the first step toward the creating of a series of refuges of this kind along the Columbia river. The state game department figures that of the many thousand lakes along the Columbia from Astoria to The Dalles, the sport of duck hunting would not be seriously hampered if a hundred of the lakes were set aside as game refuges.

Little Sturgeon lake is right in the heart of the duck shooting country of Sauvie island. It is surrounded by dozens of other lakes, large and small. Big Sturgeon lake would have been secured but for objections made by Mrs. L. E. Holman and H. E. Harris. It is expected that this lake will be obtained at a later date.

A Kansas college professor plans to devote most of the remainder of his life to recording Indian songs and other music phonographically for the benefit of posterity.

BARNEY M'CAUGH, LAST OF OLD ORDER, PASSES

One of the best known horsemen and race track followers who ever lived in Portland is dead. He was Barney McCaugh, who passed away Saturday at the county hospital, where he had been a patient since last March.

McCaugh was one of the few of the horse racing gentry that stayed in Portland after the professional races, which used to be a big feature at the Irvington track, were prohibited by law in the early eighties, when the big track at the White House, on the Macadam road, was the scene of exciting races.

Barney McCaugh was always on hand, giving out "dope." When not at the race track McCaugh made a bare living by helping around livery stables and driving a hack during rush hours.

"McCaugh was a unique character," said J. E. Kelly, who knew the horseman for a number of years. "McCaugh would give his last half dollar to a stranger if it was needed, and then borrow a dollar."

McCaugh is supposed to have come to Portland with his parents and brothers about 1859, from Rhode Island. About 1870 his mother opened the Shakespeare hotel, on Front street, near Pine, then near the center of the town. The hotel was the headquarters for a large number of steamboat men.

McCaugh is the last of the family, his two brothers, "Shanks" and "Pogie" McCaugh, also race horse enthusiasts, passing away a few years ago.

Egypt exported \$65,000,000 pounds of onions in the first six months this year, 2,000,000 pounds more than in the same period of last year.

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