

TOWN TOPICS

(1st DAY OF 1915.)

AMUSEMENTS

HELLO—Broadway at Taylor. Curtains 2:15 and 8:15. Matinee Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, David Warfield in "The Auctioneer."

BAKERS—Broadway and Sixth. Curtains 2:30 and 8:30. Matinee Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Baker Players in "The Rejuvenation of Saint Mary."

OLD FASHIONED—Broadway and 10th. Curtains 2:30 and 8:30. Matinee Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Old Fashioned Players in "The Merry Men."

PAN FISHES—Broadway at 10th. Curtains 2:30 and 8:30. Matinee Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Pan Fishes in "The Merry Men."

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Coming Events

Portland Symphony Concert, Hilling Theatre, January 4.

Business Men's Luncheon, January 4.

Transportation Club Luncheon, at Multnomah Hotel, January 4.

Rotary Club Luncheon at Benson Hotel, January 4.

Ad Club Luncheon at Portland Hotel, January 4.

Progressive Business Men's Luncheon at Multnomah Hotel, January 7.

Really Board Luncheon at Commercial Club, January 9.

Oregon Civic League Luncheon, Multnomah Hotel, January 9.

Civic Library Meetings

Nationalist society every Sunday evening.

Oregon Civic League lectures every Thursday evening.

Pacific university extension lectures, every Wednesday evening.

Port Information Supplied.

Information regarding this port may be obtained from the Portland Chamber of Commerce, 20 Fifth street. Telephone Main 999, or A-1203.

Fire and Police.

Fire department—Main 7700, A-1223.

Police department—Main 7701, A-6751.

Today's Forecast.

Sounds slight and calm. Moderate to strong southerly wind; rain.

Portland and vicinity—Rain tonight and Saturday; southerly winds.

Oregon—Rain west tonight and Saturday; rain or snow east tonight and Saturday; southerly winds, moderate to strong near the coast.

Washington—Rain west tonight and Saturday; rain or snow east tonight and Saturday; southerly winds, moderate to strong near the coast.

Idaho—Fair south tonight and Saturday; rain or snow north tonight and Saturday; southerly winds, moderate to strong near the coast.

THEODORE F. DRAKE, Acting District Forecaster.

Weather Conditions.

A disturbance of considerable energy is moving eastward over the Lake and snowed the coast of British Columbia. The latter has caused fresh gales along the coast. The weather in Washington, Oregon, and California, is unsettled. Precipitation has occurred, also, in Saskatchewan, North Dakota, Minnesota, and Iowa. The weather in the Pacific states, northern Montana and southeastern Canada, is unsettled. It is considerably warmer in the Pacific states, Missouri and Mississippi valleys. As the winds along the coast, the southeast storm warnings were changed to small craft warnings at 5:30 a. m.

The conditions are favorable for rain tonight and Saturday in western Oregon and western Washington. In the rain or snow in southern Idaho, where fair weather will probably continue. Temperature change will be slight and southerly winds, moderate in strength near the coast, will obtain.

Judge Directs Verdict.—Circuit Judge McGinnis, in holding in the prosecution of Walter B. Holman yesterday when the charge of vagrancy against Holman came up on appeal from the day's detention from Multnomah Jail, directed the jury to find Holman guilty of vagrancy. The case savored too much of stool pigeons, Judge McGinnis directed that the jury acquit Holman. When arrested Holman, it is said, had in his possession a complete outfit for crooked gambling, including marked cards, a tin hand mirror and other bunko apparatus. Holman is under indictment on charges of forgery and uttering a forged check.

Junior Literary Club Formed.—The Junior Literary club, formed Wednesday night by a coterie of young men and women who assembled at the home of Miss Frances Johnson. The first staff of officers is composed of President, Clarence Lewis; vice president, Lloyd K. Perkins; secretary, Miss Johnson; treasurer, Ruby Wanless; sergeant-at-arms, Wellington Plympton; editor, Harry Turley. Other members are: Clarence Raabe, Beatrice Todd, Violet Johnson and Winifred Pippy.

Found Dead in Rooming House.—Herman Dumbbar, aged 38, and believed to have a wife living in the city, was found dead across a bed in a rooming house at 404 North Second street late this morning. From the position of the body it is believed that he died from heart disease possibly induced by alcoholism. Detectives are searching for relatives of the man.

Masamas to Visit Hatcheries.—The government fish hatcheries on the Clackamas river will be visited by the Masamas Sunday. They will take the Oregon City car at First and Alder streets at 1 o'clock, and go to Park place. They will then walk east over the hills next to the Clackamas river and visit the hatcheries. The party will return to the car by a different route. Misses Rhoda Ross and Myrtle Bates are leaders.

Owing to the Numerous Requests for the David Campbell souvenir calendar issued by the Pacific States Fire Insurance company, they have duplicated this popular calendar for 1915, and will be pleased to furnish a copy to all friends of Portland's martyred fire chief, if they will call or phone the office of the Pacific States Fire Insurance company, Chamber of Commerce building. (Adv.)

Newspaper Institute.—The third annual Washington Newspaper institute will be held January 14, 15 and 16 at the University of Washington, Seattle, under the auspices of the State Press association and the president and faculty of the university.

Seeks Trace of Father.—Mrs. Ed Thrader of Avlet, Wash., has written to The Journal asking for information regarding her father, of whom she wishes to find trace.

Colored People Celebrate.—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will celebrate the signing of the emancipation proclamation.

Accidents Nearly Always Result From Careless Acts. The Man Who Thinks Before He Acts Avoids Accidents.

SAFETY FIRST

laments tonight at a meeting in Bethel A. M. E. church, 68 North Tenth street. Mrs. Beatrice Morrow Cannady, secretary of the Portland branch, will speak as will Arthur I. Moulton. Music will complete the program, which begins at 8:30 p. m.

Tried to Sell Wheelbarrow.—While trying to sell a wheelbarrow to the Alaska Junk company, which employees of the Levin Hardware company identified as having just been stolen from their store at Front and Balmain streets, J. B. Holland, aged 46, was arrested by City Detectives Howell and Hyde last night.

Struck by Automobile.—Stepping off a Sellwood car while it was swinging onto Hawthorne avenue from East Eleventh street, J. E. Sophy of 508 Milwaukee avenue, stepped in front of the automobile driven by A. T. Bushong of 821 Hawthorne avenue, last night, and received a badly sprained wrist.

Hearing of Appeal Legum.—Walter B. Holman, indicted last Saturday on charges of forgery and uttering forged checks, was placed on trial before Circuit Judge McGinnis on an appeal from an 180-day sentence by Municipal Judge Stevenson on a charge of vagrancy. When arrested Holman is said to have had a complete gambler's outfit in his possession.

Companies File Articles.—Articles of incorporation of the following companies were filed yesterday with County Clerk: Portland Warehouse company, \$5000, J. W. Creath, J. V. Burke and W. L. Crowe, incorporators; Game of Panama company, \$15,000, Charles O. Stevens, A. T. Allen and L. J. Gordon, incorporators.

Demurrer Overruled.—Circuit Judge Kavanaugh yesterday overruled the demurrer of Dr. A. A. Morrison, rector of Trinity Episcopal church, to the complaint of Mrs. Marcella Clark, divorced wife of Attorney A. E. Clark, in her suit of damages for alleged slander.

Services at Beth Israel.—Services will be held at Temple Beth Israel tonight at 8 o'clock, and tomorrow at 10:30, and a Bible study circle at the Public library Tuesday at 3 o'clock. All are welcome.

Filipinos Married by Judge.—Manuel Gonzales and Leonora Amatoza, both natives of the Philippine Islands, were married Wednesday by District Judge Jones.

Henry C. Prudhomme, mortgage loans, insurance, moved to suite 528-531 Morgan bldg., desk room, also private office to rent.

Steamer Jesse Watkins for Camas.—Washougal and way landings, daily except Sunday. Leaves Washington street dock at 2 p. m. (Adv.)

McGarrar, Bates & Lively.—Fire, casualty and automobile insurance. Tecon bldg. Telephone Main 188. (Adv.)

One Suit Pressed Each Week.—\$1.50 a month. Unique Tailoring Co., 509 Stark. Main 514, A-4314. (Adv.)

Cruelty Is Alleged.—Mayo Hubbard yesterday sued Len Hubbard for divorce, alleging cruelty.

Wellington, Rock Springs and steam coal, cordwood, slabwood. Holman Fuel Co. Main 355, A. 3553. (Adv.)

Cherington & Phillips, owners Munsell Optical Co., removed to 450-51 Pittock block. (Adv.)

Low Prices on Printing of all kinds. F. W. Baites & Co. Main 165, A-1165. Ad.

Boston Hygienic Corsets mean comfort and style. 406 1/2 Morrison. (Adv.)

Dr. E. C. Brown, Eye, Ear, Mouth and Throat. (Adv.)

Scip.—Save S. B. FIVE cigar bands. (Adv.)

I. R. Fox, optician, Journal bldg. Ad.

Was Easily Remedied. From the Philadelphia Telegraph. At a dinner, when reference was made to the subject of pugnacity, Congressman Andrew J. Peters, of Massachusetts, was reminded of a story along that line.

One evening a man walked into a city cafe and ordered a lobster. When the crustacean was served the diner noticed that one claw was missing.

"Look here," he heatedly exclaimed, calling the waiter to his table, "why is it that every time I order a lobster in this place I always get one with a missing wing?"

"It is this way, sir," obsequiously explained the waiter. "Lobsters are great fighters, and in scrapping they often lose a claw, sir."

"Is that so?" was the quick rejoinder of the diner as he pushed the plate aside. "Well, then, take this one away and bring me a winner."

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PROSPERITY KNOCKS AT YOUR DOOR, SAYS SECRETARY REDFIELD

Trade Conditions Becoming Daily More Favorable to the United States.

NO ROOM FOR GROUCH

Get Busy and Start Something, Says Commerce Head, and He Gives Facts to Support His Optimistic Greeting.

Washington, Dec. 31.—"If you want prosperity, do your share to bring it and do it now. Get that addition on your shop going; it will cost you less today than six months hence. Is trade a bit dull in the works? Get those improvements begun. Prices are low and likely to rise. You've been thinking of that contract work. Better start yourself before things get the start of you."

With these words of cheer, Secretary of Commerce Redfield begins his New Year's greeting to the merchants and manufacturers of the country. He backs his optimistic outlook with cold facts, showing that since August, when the balance of trade was \$20,000,000 against the United States, the situation has changed so completely that for December exports show \$100,000,000 over imports.

Never Stops Growing. "This country slows down a bit now and then," the secretary continues, "but it never stops growing, and it always moves up and not down. We don't know what it means in most of the United States to have real general distress. Think of Belgium and Poland, O man with a grouch, and sink into your hole and pull it in after you. There think of your sins and your blessings and come out with your courage in working order."

"There are lots of good American examples of pluck. Do you remember San Francisco and Galveston and Chicago—Boston, Charleston, Baltimore and Dayton, and many others like them? Remember them as did Edison and lots of your fellow citizens, who showed pluck when things were hard. 'Nothing is the matter with the man with a grouch except an absentee heart and missing nerve. Cheer up, go to work, do your level best, quit talking misery. The war's over yonder, not here. Men are slaughtered yonder—they're living here. It's all clouds there—clear day here."

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Since August, when American merchants were in debt to foreign manufacturers nearly \$40,000,000, the export excess has reached a total of \$174,000,000. The floating debt of the United States to foreign countries has been paid in goods.

Merchant Marine Growing. Closer relations with Central and South American countries are being established, and will be made permanent by the extension of credit. With a gross tonnage of 372,840, foreign built ships to the number of 105 have come under the Stars and Stripes, and more are being added every week.

To aid the business interests of the country, a daily commercial report will be issued by the department, taking the place of the old consular bulletins. Trade cablegrams received by the state departments, reports on crop yield and conditions and data on war risk insurance will appear in this report.

STATE CAPITAL NEWS

Salem, Or., Jan. 1.—At a meeting of the state desert land board yesterday it was voted to recommend to the legislature that the claim of Alma D. Katz for \$20,000 spent in the preliminary organization of the Columbia Southern project, now the Tumalo project, be allowed.

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