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CITY NEWS.

A Model Place—

A place that impresses one Sunday afternoon is the public library, with nearly every seat taken at the tables by people reading the magazines and books, many boys and girls among the number. It is probably the most orderly place in the city, with hardly a sound and never any demonstration of any character.

At Woodburn—

Rev. Edgar, and Mr. Stockton are now holding evangelistic meetings at Woodburn, with a good deal of interest. When through there they will come to Jefferson for a series of meetings.

From National to State Bank—

The Benton County National Bank, A. J. Johnson, president, has been changed to a state bank and will hereafter be known as the Benton County State Bank. The bank has about \$400,000 deposits, with \$30,000 capital stock and \$15,000 surplus.

Dr. Blackstone to Be Here—

Dr. Blackstone, a prominent missionary, will be in Albany next Thursday, when he will speak twice, at the M. E. church at 2:30, on the New Woman of China, and at 7:30 in the evening at the U. P. church, with stereopticon views, giving illustrations of his work.

Milk Thieves—

The Democrat is informed that milk thieves are operating in the city. There have been several thefts lately in the neighborhood of Ferry, Washington and Third.

Y. W. C. A.—

The new officers of the Y. W. C. A. of the college are: Vesta Lamb, president; Floine Leighton, vice president; Nelson McDonald, secretary, and Helen Lee, treasurer. Nearly every girl in the college is a member.

Lights Went Out—

Last night just about the time ministers of the city were preparing to give their texts the electric lights went out in several of the churches, remaining out for about half an hour. Temporary lights were devised such as lamps, candles, etc., and the services proceeded. The trouble was caused by the severe storm of the night here and worse south.

Born—

To Mr. and Mrs. M. Senders, 5 o'clock, Saturday afternoon, a boy. All doing well.

THOMAS BROOKS FLETCHER.
Thomas Brooks Fletcher, who is to lecture here, was formerly a newspaper editor of note, and he is starting on his ninth year as lecturer. He is the youngest man of similar renown on the American lecture stage. He is pronounced to be the leader of the younger lecturers and thinkers of this generation.

Reports from the lecture course committees that have engaged him class him among the most distinguished orators of the present time. He has been substituted for the late Senator John



THOMAS BROOKS FLETCHER.

P. Dolliver and at Findlay, O., a year or so ago was substituted for the famous Ben B. Lindsey of the juvenile court of Denver, Colo., and this was his second appearance before the Findlay audience within eight months. He has lectured in nearly every state in the Union, and his success has been as remarkable in Massachusetts and the New England states as it has been in Iowa and the west. He has appeared before some of the largest college and university courses everywhere, and there are few places where he has not been recalled for the second or third lecture, which would indicate that we are to have, perhaps, one of the greatest addresses ever delivered in this city.

It is remarkable that a man should be able in so short a time to lecture on the same platform with Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, Newell Dwight Hillis, Wendling, Gunsaulus, John Temple Graves and many other distinguished men of great intellect and be able to share honors with them in oratorical ability and be pronounced by the audiences the equal of the most dramatic orators of the time.

Prof. Fletcher will lecture in this city tomorrow at 8 p. m. under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., at the Christian church.

PTERYSAURHINCUS AND OTHER ATTRACTIONS AT CARNIVAL

College Students Presented a Live Program of Amusements Saturday Evening.

That the students of Albany College have a special faculty for entertaining was demonstrated Saturday night in the carnival given by them in the Rhodes building. A large crowd enjoyed it. It was a live place, with spellers and good natured jest, buzzing and laughing. The big attraction was a minstrel show by a crowd of students, all appearing as darkies, presenting a program of merit. Some of the makeups were startling. A menagerie was full of strange beasts, including the Pterysaurhincus, the art gallery contained real living pictures worth seeing, a fortune telling camp, fish pond, candy stand, ice cream booth, hot drink emporium, etc. But best of all was the wireless telegraph, the real thing, operated under the direction of Prof. Hodges, a genius in science. Violet lights were shown, a spectroscopic was operated and there were numerous demonstrations worth seeing and studying, making a strong impression on the wireless visitors.

The receipts were about \$50, to be used in getting out the Orange Peel, the student's annual, which promises to surpass anything yet attempted by the college.

ALBANY YOUNG LADY TELLS ABOUT THE MOVIE CITY

Miss Orah Harkness Shown Thru The Studio of The Famous Griffith.

One of the experiences of Miss Orah Harkness, of this city, who is at Los Angeles, was a recent visit to the great movie studios of Universal City. Through the courtesy of a card from Mrs. Buskirk, wife of the property man of the Griffith studios and whose daughter, Miss Bessie Buskirk, a friend of Miss Harkness, is one of the actresses, she and her friends received special favors in seeing things. In a letter home she says:

Mr. Buskirk has under him carpenters, painters, paper hangers, workers in paper-mache, staff, etc. He inspects every set up before the actors take their places. In one warehouse, workmen were busy making four hundred dummies of burlap, to be used in a big fire scene in the big film Griffith is now staging, which is to rival the Birth of a Nation. He is building a city now for it, and the ornamentation

Monday Night Bible Lecture—

The part of God's word covered by the Bible lecture tonight is that which tells us of Israel's exodus from Egypt, and Pharaoh's pursuit and destruction. Exodus, chapters 12 to 17. Time from 7:30 to 8:30 in the United Presbyterian church. We are delighted to be able to announce a series of Bible lectures by Dr. Gaebelein, beginning with the 26th of this month. Plan your work so that you can hear him twice a day while he is here.

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already in evidence is stupendous. Immense elephants in white stuff guard the buildings on every side and the whole effect is Roman. The title is to be "The Mother and the Law." On account of the unsettled condition of the weather all outside work was called off. Thus we failed to see any work on the "Macbeth" film they are now working on. There is a famous English actor here playing the lead in Macbeth, Bessie Buskirk has the role of the young princess, quite a coveted part among the less fortunate. Bessie was Majeska's protegee.

There were only two set-ups this afternoon, so we spent the afternoon watching the actors, stage directors, electricians, camera men and numerous assistants. We saw the famous D. W. Griffith, in whose studio we were guests; also saw Owen Moore, playing the lead with Dorothy Gish in "A Modern Joan." The scene they were taking was in a barroom. Owen Moore, you know, is the husband of Mary Pickford.

For the interior scenes the players work under a very strong electric light, so strong the ordinary face without a makeup looks ghostly.

It is sort of a magic light changing colors, a light that casts no shadows, and removes all blemishes. The lights cost \$12 per hour, and there were two complete sets running all the afternoon.

There were numerous characters about us, including the bowery tough, the scrub woman, the painted doll of the underworld, artists with velvet caps, and all the implements of the Bohemian life.

While the girls were waiting for their scenes some were crocheting, others content just to converse with their friends or associates.

The studio impressed me greatly in that it is a busy place, yet no one ever seems in a hurry. Everyone is kind and

courteous like a big harmonious family; no flirting on the side lines, no profanity and no smoking except in scenes that call for it. In rehearsing for a barroom scene a waiter accidentally upset his tray of liquor (burnt tea) and a good portion landed on Owen Moore, the leading man; but there wasn't a cross word or rebuke; but a hearty laugh. Of course the waiter felt badly, and did not repeat the performance.

We visited the various property rooms, which looked like wholesale furniture stores. We had the honor of sitting on the big four poster canopy bed used in the murder scene in Macbeth. We also visited the witch's cave, and this scene will be taken at night. In some of these scenes the players work all night, often without time for lunch, with little or no heat.

The dressing rooms are equipped with electric heaters, with three or four girls sharing the room.

Some of the stars use their own sweet time in going to rehearsals, often keeping an entire cast waiting many hours, and if they think anyone is likely to rob them of their glory they simply request their removal, and it is done. Such is the power of a star if so inclined.

We visited an outdoor street scene representing a Russian town, where a cyclone was staged last week. Two aeroplanes were used to create the windstorm and the fire department supplied the rain storm.

We then went to the Buskirk home, a bungalow near the studio. Blanche Sweet occupies a tiny bungalow, perched high on the hillside.

The Buskirks have an old colored mammy who certainly gave us a good dinner. While at dinner Bessie Buskirk received a phone call to appear as a maid for Dorothy Gish at 8 o'clock, and her father took her in an auto and then brought us home.

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Harrisburg's Record—

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Woman for Lieut. Governor—

Mrs. Flora Shortridge Foltz is being mentioned for the office of lieutenant governor of California. The Democrat editor remembers Mrs. Foltz delivering a lecture in the old opera house in this city, in the '80's, with an audience of less than a dozen, an able woman and eloquent speaker. She once resided in Salem for awhile.

The Jefferson View of It.

Jefferson Review: In the high school debating contest, it looks much as though Albany was playing the baby act. She has waited until she found she had to meet Jefferson, and fearing to do so, she seeks honors she has not won by trying to have us disqualified under an obsolete rule. Jefferson of course would be proud to win the pennant, but she does not want it if she cannot win the same in fair and open debate against all contestants.

Killed in R. R. Accident.

(By United Press)

Watertown, S. D., March 4.—Two were killed when the South Dakota Central passenger train crashed through a bridge near Thomas. A smoldering fire, thought to be extinguished Sunday, weakened the bridge.

Paris Explosion.

(By United Press)

Paris, March 4.—Thirty bodies were recovered, and 150 were wounded as a result of the munitions explosion that wrecked the double defenses near Fort St. Denis in the northern outskirts of Paris. The ruins are still burning.

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