

BAND BENEFIT XMAS NIGHT

Splendid Program is Arranged—Walters and Claremont is Splendid Operatic Sketch.

Judging from the advance sale of seats, the Medford band will be greeted by a splendid house when the curtain goes up for their benefit performance Christmas night at the Medford theater.

Besides the band concert first part there will be some noted vaudeville stunts, including Haight and Dean in a comedy sketch, Walters and Claremont in their new musical act, Henry Gunson in tenor solos and the principals of the Andrews Opera Company in Mascagni's famous "Cavalleria Rusticana," with Mrs. Hazelrigg and Mrs. Andrews in the leading roles.

The program of the band follows: 1. Grand march—"Tannhäuser," 2. Grand selections—"The Huguenots," 3. Overture—"The Barber of Seville," 4. Selection—"The Three Twins," 5. Introduction—"Third Act of Lohengrin."

WOMAN SHOWS RARE PRESENCE OF MIND

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—To her rare presence of mind, Mrs. L. J. Aherne, aged 75 years, owes her life today. Mrs. Laberon was crossing Broadway when a Grand avenue car bore down upon her. In the crush of street traffic, it was impossible for her to escape.

Hundreds of Christmas shoppers gazed horror stricken, expecting to see the aged woman ground to death beneath the wheels. Mrs. Laberon calmly sat down, an instant before the fender struck her ankles. She was tossed back against the screen, still sitting upright and thus she remained gazing benignly about when a badly frightened motorman brought the heavy car to a stop.

Then Mrs. Laberon was assisted to her feet. She was not even bruised. "I realized that if I sat down and raised my feet, I would not be hurt," said Mrs. Laberon after the unusual experience. "I suppose most women would have been excited but I was not. It was fun riding on the fender, but I would not like to repeat it too often."

Remember the big dance Saturday night at the portable pavilion rink. Dancing at 9:30 to 12:00 m. 238*

I have done so well here with my gasoline and mantle coal oil lamps that I have not had time to get over to Jacksonville but when I do I am sure the county-seaters will be glad to see me. I will also introduce to them the new electric cooker. A free demonstration is going on continuously and all are invited to call. J. W. Whitney, 211 West Main. Next door to Rogue River Electric Co. 235*

A NEW ELECTRIC ORDINANCE.

May it be ordained by the city council of the city of Medford.

Any able-bodied, married man who shall neglect or refuse to provide his wife with electric lights and electric iron, thereby compelling her to spend these pleasant days and evenings in the kitchen over the hot cook stove, when he can now buy electricity at bargain prices, shall be punished by imprisonment in his own kitchen, with cook stove in full blast, and shall be compelled to start all fires at 4 a. m. so that he may be ready for 8 o'clock breakfast, until he shall provide said wife with said electric lights and electric iron, to save fatigue, exhaustion and trouble as aforesaid.

(Signed) DOMESTIC FELICITY, Chairman.

Attest: THE CLERK.

NOTICE.

Excursion to Frisco. Leave Ashland on Sunday, December 26, 1909, on the regular overland train at 11:15 a. m. Round trip fare, \$18, good for 15 days. People not living in Ashland can get their tickets from the management, at the Ashland depot or on board the train. Apply to Bolton & Peil, managers, Ashland, Oregon.

If you don't already know, its my gas lights and mantle lamps you have been reading so much about lately. There is so much talk about them they must be good. Investigate. J. W. Whitney, 211 West main. Next door to Rogue River Electric Co. of-235*

COOK'S DEAD ONE SURE ENOUGH

Forest Grove "Copenhagened" Cook and Now All Hope of His Reinstatement is Past.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Dec. 24.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook has not only been turned down by scientific men of Denmark, but Forest Grove has also passed unfavorably on him.

The members of the Christian church had made elaborate preparations for the Christmas entertainment wherein Cook and Peary, the North Pole and Santa Claus were to play a prominent part. But now that Cook has been "Copenhagened," Peary will be the only explorer represented at the festivities.

BELIEVED PENNILESS: HAS \$5000 SAVED UP

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 24.—When friends of Miss Margaret Sullivan, who died here recently, took \$2,000 in currency they found in her trunk to a local bank today they found that the dead woman who was believed to have been penniless before the money was discovered, had \$3000 on deposit.

Miss Sullivan worked for 27 years at the same hotel. When the proprietor died several years ago, he left his faithful servant \$1000. Miss Sullivan put the money in a bank and the institution failed. Her friends believed her penniless, and it was not known until her trunk was opened that her small fortune was discovered.

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WIFE MURDERER WOULD BUTT BRAINS OUT IN CELL

HILLSBORO, Or., Dec. 24.—Following his conviction on the charge of wife murder yesterday, John D. Rosclair, attempted last night to butt out his brains against the steel walls of the death cell.

After finishing his supper Rosclair began to shriek like a maniac. Following Sheriff Hancock's threat to place him a straight-jacket Rosclair promised to remain quiet for the rest of the night.

Shortly before midnight, however, Guard Watt heard a thumping sound emanating from the murderer's cell and an investigation showed Rosclair pounding his head against the bars. It is believed the prisoner is aping insanity to bolster his application for a new trial.

"OVIE" TO GET BONUS IF HE WINS 30 GAMES

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 24.—President Murphy of the Chicago Cubs announced today that he has promised a \$500 bonus to Orval Overall if the big right-hander wins 30 games next season.

Overall drew down an extra check for his work last season, and President Murphy promised him another if 30 games fell to the Cubs through "Big Jeff's" efforts. Inasmuch as few of the Cubs are worked for 30 games, sports here do not believe Overall will rest contented with \$500, and look for him to demand a larger bonus.

LABOR UNION ENDORSES CANDIDACY OF CURRY

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 24.—The first labor union in the state to formally endorse Secretary of State Charles F. Curry's candidacy for the governorship is Sacramento Firemen's local, No. 14.

Thirty strong, the fire fighters met last night and placed the stamp of their approval on the long-limbed secretary. The firemen hope to set an example for other locals to follow, so they got into the game early.

POPULAR STORE MOVED TO WEST SEVENTH

"The Wardrobe," F. S. Brandon, proprietor, has removed from its old quarters in the Moore building to commodious quarters in the Snyder building on Main street, next door to the Smoke House. The Wardrobe will hereafter carry a much larger and more varied stock of shoes and gents furnishings than ever before.

BOB HANDS ONE OUT TO ALDRICH

Gives Senator From Rhode Island Christmas Present in the Way of a Nice Little Roast in Editorial.

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 24.—Senator LaFollette, in his weekly magazine today presents Senator Nelson W. Aldrich with a Christmas present, incidentally swatting at Senator Flint of California. Senator LaFollette's gift is contained in an editorial, labeled, "The Aldrich Control" which says:

"Aldrich is a shrewd trader—as the man who sticks the muzzle of a gun into your face on a dark night and demands 'Money or your life,' is a shrewd trader. He ascertains what you want and makes you pay his price. The price is fidelity and subservience to the Aldrich control."

Referring to the special tariff session of congress, called by President Taft, the editorial comments: "The shrewd trader Aldrich framed would have fallen flat if Speaker Cannon had not packed the house conference."

Senator LaFollette quotes Burrows of Michigan, who is said to have remarked:

"Whenever I wanted anything for Michigan I always knew where to get it. He (Aldrich) never failed me."

The editorial continues: "But Burrows did not tell his people that in return for the little dribble of petty favors which Aldrich conferred upon him for Michigan, he has in the words of Senator 'Busar' Steve Elkins come under the yoke and become a good, obedient servant and trader to Aldrich, Michigan's representation in the senate."

"He did not tell his people that the consideration (paid for favors) was fidelity to the Aldrich control that ranks Burrows well up with Smooth, Keane, Flint, Sutherland and Lodge in the Aldrich machine."

FANCY BRASS

Imported amble lamps burns one-third less oil, gives a pure white light, 100-candle power. Burners fit any lamp bowl. I have a holiday line of imported shades, spun brass, brush finish stands that are works of art. A beautiful and useful gift. J. W. Whitney, next Rogue River Electric Co. 235*

ATTEMPTED TO OBTAIN MONEY ON FAKE TELEGRAM

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 24.—W. J. Danford, who was recently disbarred from the practice of law by the superior court, is in jail, charged with having forged a telegram in an effort to obtain a loan of \$1000.

He was taken to the county jail late last night. Danford strenuously denied that he was guilty of any offense. He declared that he was attempting to secure a loan for a client, whose name he refused to divulge.

ELECTRIC LIGHT FOR DESTROYING INSECT

European forests have recently been ravaged by a moth which appears in immense numbers and has caused serious damage, especially to conifers. In Saxony means to abate the plague have been given particularly careful study, and the electric light was found to be the best weapon.

It was noted that the moths were most active between the hours of 10 p. m. and 1 a. m. and it was during these hours that the electric light was employed. In Zittau the street lights were turned off at the earlier hour, and the load of the town electric lighting plant thus rendered available was used to operate 40-amp. searchlights in pairs. Between each pair a powerful suction ventilator was stationed, having a piece of wire netting a few inches beyond the outlet. The insects, attracted by the light, were drawn into the ventilator, and when discharged against the netting were either disabled or killed. The beams from the searchlights were directed toward the neighboring forest, and insects in enormous numbers were attracted to the brilliant source of light and finally sucked in by the ventilator and destroyed.

In the perfected device, as finally adopted, two searchlights are employed, adapted for currents from 30 amp. to 50 amp. and shielded in front by highly polished glass disks. In front of them and somewhat lower are lobes. Immediately below and between these two lamps is the opening of the ventilator. An electric motor attached to this produces 1200 and other insects infecting fruit trees.

MAJOR IS KILLED IN RUNAWAY ACCIDENT

SEATTLE, Wn., Dec. 24.—Major A. S. Reed, aged 72, of Los Angeles, is dead here as the result of a runaway accident late yesterday when he was thrown from a buggy and his neck broken. Major Reed had been visiting James Wilson of Snydale and he had come to Seattle with Wilson to purchase a ticket to Los Angeles, intending to return to the soldier's home at Sawtelle. They were on their way home when the horse became frightened. Wilson could not control the animal and Major Reed was thrown heavily to the ground. His neck was broken. Wilson was also injured.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

At the Nash—Fern Dumas, Los Angeles; B. B. Dow, Jacksonville; B. Conner, Table Rock; H. Lowenberg, New York; Mrs. Fride, Hill, Calif.; J. M. Garmay, Pittsburg, Pa.

At the Moore—Chas. Brooks, Calif.; H. V. Hart, Portland; F. Peruzzi and son, Eagle Point; Ernest Amasea, Blue Ledge; Mort W. Foster, Sandpoint, Idaho; J. H. Willman, Portland; W. G. Smith, Wolf Creek, Or.; J. Weston, Sacto; J. W. Smith, Oakland, Ore.; W. E. Burton, Shedd, Ore.

C. P. R. TRAIN WRECKED: SEVENTEEN INJURED

TRONTO, Ont., Dec. 24.—A Canadian Pacific railroad train from the northwest, with eight hundred persons on board, bound east for Christmas, is reported wrecked west of Sudbury, Ontario. It is reported that seventeen passengers were injured.

ADVERTISED LETTER LIST.

The following list of letters remain uncalled for at the postoffice at Medford, Oregon, Wednesday, December 22, 1909:

D. Ball, F. G. Bancroft, Jessa Coffee, Walter Hall, D. H. Harris, Elma Howe, William Mayben (2), Freddie Moyer, Mrs. E. S. Palmer, Clara Pool, F. B. Roberts, Miss Roberts, Mrs. E. Scott, Howard Stuart, L. E. Smith, Daisy Smith, Florence Spears, Mrs. A. M. Stark, Mabel Swift, W. P. Snare, J. A. Dondike, John M. Wong, A. M. Wright.

Parties calling for the above will please say "advertised." A charge of one cent will be made upon delivery.

THE FAMILY CIRCLE.

They enjoy a well lighted home and there is no nicer or more convenient light than electricity, if they get enough of it. One of my gas lights flood a room with white light, giving 400 candle power at less than one cent per hour. There is absolutely no odor, no gasoline in the house and a child can operate it. Call and see them.

J. W. WHITNEY, 211 W. Main, next R. R. Elec. Co. 235*

Four choice lots on West Eleventh street, sewer and water, shade trees. Large size lots, choice residence district. Price \$500 each. Four lots with water and sewer, south front, choice location, \$1200 for all. J. W. Dressler Agency, West Main. 243

SAYS MAN IS NOT A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 24.—To the Editor: In your issue of Dec. 7 there appears a dispatch from New Orleans to the effect that a man by the name of J. C. Wilson had stepped in front of a moving trolley car to "test his faith" in the power of Christian Science, the result being severe injury to him. It is not likely that many people take such an exhibition as a legitimate means of applying the teaching of Christian Science, because it is not, but your readers may like to know that this man is not a member of any Christian Science church, and it may safely be said has no adequate idea of its teachings, or he would not attempt such a fool-hardy act. The prevention of accidents through the understanding of the protective power of the Supreme Being is more natural than to deliberately provoke one in such a manner.

HOWARD C. VAN METER, Committee on Publication.

NANCE O'NEIL AT LAST WINS NEW YORK LAURELS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Nance O'Neil, for years a great favorite on the stage of the Pacific coast, but without recognition here, has won her New York laurels at last and today is heralded as one of the foremost emotional actresses of age.

Following her great success in "The Lily," which opened last night at the Stuyvesant theater, under the direction of David Belasco, her position is established.

The third act of the play, the curtain had to run up twenty-seven times in answer to the insistent applause of the audience by Miss O'Neil.

All the New York newspapers today agree in paying her high compliments and proclaim her as one of the world's best actresses of her type.

The city of Jacksonville, the business men of Jacksonville and the citizens of Jacksonville have had their experience with a cheaper form of light than electric light several years ago. Before considering a cheaper form of light get their experience. 240

EMPLOYMENT AND BUSINESS CHANCES

For sale—Span of horses, harness and wagon. Now is the time to buy before spring work begins. Room 208, Taylor & Phipps Bldg. Anyone having money to loan on chattels, I would like to see him at room 208, Taylor & Phipps Bldg. Will trade an automobile for lots. Room 208.

Wanted a boy to work and learn a business which is a fine layout to the right boy. Room 208.

If you have a hotel or rooming house to sell call at room 208.

To trade—A good lot for a span of horses and harness. Room 208, Taylor & Phipps Bldg.

For sale—A pony 7 years old, \$35. Room 208, Taylor & Phipps Bldg. Anyone having cows to trade for horses call at room 20. 8

For sale—Four lots 50x210 on easy terms.

For rent—Seven room house and barn at \$12.00 per month. Call at room 208.

Wanted—A woman to do washing, to begin Monday morning. Room 208, Taylor & Phipps Bldg.

E. F. A. BITTNER, Prop. ROOM 208, PHIPPS BLDG. PHONE MAIN 4141.



AT BED TIME

The little people are usually afraid of the dark, and a light bed room gives them confidence.

But a bed room lighted by open flame methods takes away from the secure feeling of the parents.

Use electricity for light and there will be no danger of fire to the tiny ones.

They can turn it off and on without danger.

Send for the man NOW.

Rogue River Electric Co. •

Thanking Our Friends and Patrons for an unprecedented business during the season, We wish one and all Very Merry Xmas



Joy Peace and Good Will Among All Humanity

STORE OPEN LATE TONIGHT THE HUTCHASON CO. Formerly Baker-Hutchason Co. Store Closed Xmas Day

Savoy Theatre TONIGHT IN WRONG SIMMS. A RYMSTER'S RUSE. HARLIGAIN'S NIGHTMARE. Free matinee Christmas day for Children under 12 years of age, at 3:30 p. m. Doors open 7 p. m. ONE DIME.

A Timely Xmas Present

What would be more appreciated by your family or friends than a year's subscription to the Mail Tribune? A daily reminder throughout the year of your thoughtfulness and regard.

Have you some friends in the east that you want to interest in the Rogue River valley? Send them the Mail Tribune. They cannot read it steadily without becoming interested in the valley and in Medford.

DO YOU KNOW?

That the Mail Tribune is the largest newspaper in the world published in a city the size of Medford?

That the Mail Tribune is the only newspaper published in a city the size of Medford having a leased wire press service, a wire in its office, direct to the large cities of America and its own operator?

That the Mail Tribune prints the largest daily in Oregon outside of Portland and uses more paper than any newspaper in Oregon outside of Portland, and has the largest circulation for the population covered of any newspaper in Oregon?

That your co-operation is needed to make the Mail Tribune the best advertisement Medford and the Rogue River can have, and the way to show this co-operation is to subscribe and place it where it will be read in the east?

LIBRARY READY REFERENCE WALL CHART

Containing a colored map of Oregon, brought down to date, and much invaluable information. A household necessity.

Size, 28 by 40 inches, heavy glazed paper, three sheets full of valuable information. Price, \$2. Given away as a premium for six months' new subscription on the daily or a year's subscription on the weekly.

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