

BLACKSTONE THE MAGICIAN MAKES HIT IN PORTLAND

From Portland Oregonian, Feb. 19th. "This is what I call raising the decee," remarked Blackstone, the clever magician who entertained with a mystical program in the municipal auditorium Sunday night. He was just in the act of coaxing a teaspoon of spades to emerge from a pack of cards resting in a glass tumbler. It was only one of the many bits of juggling he performed with the deck. Blackstone is a most blithe magician. He furnishes just the sort of old-fashioned legendism that was in vogue 20 or 30 years ago, entertaining parlor magic, with elaborate gold and shimmery equipment and



lacquered cabinets. The best part of it all is that there is not a flaw—there is nothing cheap and there is nothing approaching the mystic about the show. The magician himself is lively and snappy, the performance does not drag with long explanations of some expose of the mystic world. Blackstone's equipment is elaborate. He has a large company of assistants gorgeously costumed, who aid him in carrying out his illusions. There is a great golden ball with which he defies the laws of gravity; there is a map that produces flags of all nations and ends by giving up a live turkey from down around the neighborhood of Constantinople. There is a missing watch that is found inside of three boxes. There is a tiny rabbit that turns into a box of candy for a little girl and there is a jack-in-the-box that turns out to be Blackstone himself. When a committee—and a sizable one at that—went up on the stage to investigate a supposedly hypnotized young woman suspended from nothing in mid-air they were surprised by finding the figure nothing more than a piece of drapery. This same committee sampled some of the magician's card tricks and, finding themselves tricked by bits of pasteboard in their own hands, went away laughing because they had been so easily fooled. No wonder the audience liked Blackstone. Blackstone will be at the Page theatre Thursday night.

MEXICO CLOSED UP BY THE INFLUENZA

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 25.—Schools, churches and other public meeting places have been closed indefinitely because of influenza. Estimates of the number of cases here run as high as several hundred thousand but there have been comparatively few deaths.

SALTS IF KIDNEYS OR BLADDER BOTHER

Harmless to flush kidneys and neutralize irritating acids—Splendid for system.

Kidney and bladder weakness result from uric acid, says a noted authority. The kidneys filter this acid from the blood and pass it on to the bladder, where it often remains to irritate and inflame, causing a burning, scalding sensation, or setting up an irritation at the neck of the bladder, obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night. The sufferer is in constant dread, the water passes sometimes with a scalding sensation and is very profuse; again, there is difficulty in voiding it. Bladder weakness, most folks call it, because they can't control urination. While it is extremely annoying and sometimes very painful, this is really one of the most simple ailments to overcome. Get about four ounces of Jad Salts from your pharmacist and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast, continue this for two or three days. This will neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer is a source of irritation to the bladder and urinary organs which then act normally again. Jad Salts is inexpensive, harmless, and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is used by thousands of folks who are subject to urinary disorders caused by uric acid irritation. Jad Salts is splendid for kidneys and causes no bad effects whatever. Here you have a pleasant, effervescent lithia-water drink, which quickly relieves bladder trouble.

PHOENIX WOMAN ELECTED PRESIDENT COUNTY HEALTH BOARD, REPORT FOR YEAR

The annual meeting of the Jackson County Public Health association was held in the public library in Medford on Friday, Feb. 20. In spite of the fact that the weather conditions were unfavorable, and that all sections of the county are more or less suffering from sickness in various forms, a throng representative, a most progressive, and a most earnest group of men and women came to the meeting. Twenty-four citizens showed their presence at this meeting, that the public health of Jackson county meant something to them. There were several most helpful members of the County Health association who were unable to attend this meeting owing to the fact that illness in their respective families made it imperative for them to remain at home. Unfortunately not a physician was present, but that fact was easily accounted for, for even the most optimistic realize that physicians in the county are working day and night. The best demonstration of the fact that most of the physicians in the county are at heart (if not shown by their presence) real members of the Jackson County Health association is that no physician has refused to render his professional services, when asked to do so by the county nurse, or by those agencies (Red Cross) which are closely associated with the county public health work. Mrs. Mears, chairman of the nurse committee gave a report of the year's work from the angle of that special committee.

Reports Are Read Following Mrs. Mear's report, in the following order, reports were made by the county nurse, the treasurer of the County Health association, the retiring president, Mrs. Porozzi, and a foreword from Miss Allen, the state advisory, who was the first representative of the public health nursing service in Jackson county. Miss Allen referred to the growth of county public health work in Jackson county as similar to the struggles of a delicate child at birth, cared for and encouraged by the love of its parents. Miss Allen indicated that the present condition of public sentiment towards the work of the county public health associations in Oregon, and particularly in Jackson county, was one of real interest—that, having survived its second sum-

mer the "baby" was ready to hark and "show its teeth" if there was any interference with its normal growth. Then came the election of the officers for the new year. The names of the new officers of the Jackson County Public Health association are given below, and also a very few statistics to give a glimpse of what progress has been made in the past year.

Officers Elected Names of officers for the year beginning Feb. 1920: President, Mrs. Wm. Carlless, Phoenix. Vice president, Mrs. Tou Velle, Jacksonville. Treasurer, Rev. Gammons, Jacksonville. Mrs. F. M. Sheslie, Phoenix, Ore.

Vital Statistics Between the months of and including February, 1919 to February 1920 over 500 calls were made in the interest of public health in Jackson county. Thoroughly classified as bedside nursing, instructive visiting nursing, and school work, we have the following figures: Bedside calls, or actual nursing service calls—Feb. 1919, 0; March 1919, 5; April, 4; May, 5; July, 2; August, 5; October, 2; November, 2; December, 2; January, 1920, 65. Instructive calls—Feb. 1919, 31; March, 59; April, 70; May, 52; July, 8; August, 23; October, 57; November, 7; December, 7; January, 1920, 6.

Visits to homes where tuberculosis patients live—Feb. 1919, 2; March, 6; April, 5; May, 11; June, 5; July, 2; August, 12; October, 8; November, 5; December 10; January, 8. School reports (physical inspections) schools visited—Feb. 1919, 21; March, 22; April 32; May, 29; July, 2; October, 26; November, 14; December, 17; January, 1920, 3. Figures are cold, inanimate things, and public health nurses generally despise them. They have a value for the filing cabinet, however, and most assuredly have a real value in building up a strong public health nursing service throughout the United States. Oregon is only now awakening to her need of public health nurses. Coos county has four public health nurses. The last 15 years have shown the progress in this work—8000 nurses are at present actually in the field of public health work, and the demand is for 50,000. If every citizen of Jackson county is only willing "to be shown" the work must grow.

A WIDESPREAD SHIP ROBBERY PLOT PLANNED

BUENOS AIRES—Belief that a widespread international organization is at work stealing merchandise from steamships is expressed in a report of the United States chamber of commerce in Argentina. The chamber investigated the loss of valuable merchandise by pilfering from ships plying to this port and found "that the same characteristics are visible in thefts of merchandise from Italy, Spain, and England as from the United States." The investigation was made at the request of the allied chamber of commerce which asked all the members to make similar investigations. "The increase in pilferage during the past few months had been alarming," says the report. "An effort was made to deduce from the evidence received the value of the goods stolen, but this was impossible altho in general terms it would seem to run into hundreds of thousands of dollars gold. "One curious feature developed which was that pilferage occurs with frequency in articles sent by parcels post, for which there is no recourse if no value has been declared. "The thefts have all the characteristics of systematized robbery by peo-

VLADIVOSTOK FALL PARALYZES TRADE U.S.A. AND SIBERIA

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Trade between the United States and Siberia, which had fair to run into the millions has been suspended as a result of the capture of Vladivostok by social revolutionaries. Local business interests announced today they had requested the state department to inquire into the possibility of getting thousands of dollars worth of furs which were in Vladivostok awaiting shipment to the United States, and also as to when it would be safe to send to Vladivostok several steamships which left San Francisco for that destination early this year but were diverted to Japan. The vessels had large quantities of goods destined for Siberia, mainly textiles. The Seely V. Hall Automobile company reports the sale this week of three Federal trucks.

RHEUMATISM'S PAINS CAN'T BE RUBBED AWAY

Deep Seated Disease Is Caused by Germs in the Blood. Rheumatism is a sturdy foe, and it never uses gentle methods with its victims. So if you are afflicted with the disease, you may as well realize from the first that you have a real fight on your hands and that you cannot win unless you can use the very best methods known. If the disease was confined to the surface, there might be some logic in expecting relief from its clutches by local applications applied to the surface. But you will soon learn that a disease that can cause so much pain and suffering is deep-seated and has its source far below the surface of the skin. The pains may be slight at first, and that is where the victim of rheumatism is often deceived. He does not feel that the first little twinges of pain amount to much, and hence they are not promptly heeded. But they gradually increase in severity until it has your entire system in its relentless grip. The pains that seemed so slight at first become intensely severe and seem to take delight in your sufferings. Of course there has been cases where some slight relief was experienced from the use of liniments and other local applications, but there has never yet been a case that was actually cured by such treatment, and temporary relief is very far from comforting to a constant sufferer. The only sensible treatment from which you can expect real results is a remedy that goes deep down into the blood supply, and kills the germs that cause the disease. These germs multiply by the millions and scatter by means of the blood circulation throughout the entire system. Whether they attack the muscle, the joints, limbs or other parts of the body, they are still in the blood, and will continue to spread their torturing pains until eliminated thoroughly from the blood. S. S. S. is a wonderful blood remedy, and is the logical treatment for rheumatism, because it promptly permeates the entire blood supply, and searches out and kills the disease germs. You can take S. S. S. with the assurance that you are not experimenting, for this fine old remedy has been in constant use for more than fifty years, during which time it has been giving splendid results. So you owe it to yourself to take S. S. S. without delay, and discard the use of local remedies that can do you no good. If your case requires any special advice, it can be obtained without cost together with valuable literature if you will write today to Chief Medical Adviser, 158 Swift Laboratory, Atlanta, Ga.

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