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CURRENT EVENTS OF HISTORICAL INTEREST

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The ice storm Monday disabled the electric light plant at Oregon City. In Alberta, Canada, 32,000,000 acres are to be thrown open to settlement.

There are over 12,000,000 men in the United States available for military duty.

Albany fruit growers will establish a cannery. It employs labor and utilizes the fruit that ordinarily is wasted.

A sleet storm covered Portland and vicinity with ice Sunday night, breaking down telegraph, telephone

and electric light and power wires, so that the city was left without communication with the outside world and in darkness. Many beautiful trees were broken down.

It is reported that 4,000,000 people are starving in China, and American relief is being extended on a large scale.

Telegraphic news from the outside world was almost totally cut off by the great ice storm that descended on the Northwest Sunday night and Monday morning. It did not extend as far south as Salem.

ECKHARDT'S IDEALS.

New Troupe Scores Big Success at the Klinger Grand.

There was not a dull moment last night in the Klinger Grand from the time the curtain went up and revealed the cheerful but modest mountain home, with its picturesque scenery, until Jack Trail, the hero, had avenged the cruel death of his mother.

The "Great Northwestern," as the name suggests, is a wild and thrilling tale of mining life in California, well balanced with good rich comedy and tragedy, and bound together with a romantic story of love, which is made more impressive by its pathos. Jack Trail, by his deeds of heroism and his unchanging love for the girl who needed his protection, won the admiration of the audience, but where were many there who would have gladly loaned their protecting arms had they been so fortunate as to have had Rose Milford for their guiding star.

The roles were taken by Fred Cantway and Laura Heimlich, and they proved themselves to be above the average performer. The illustrated song, "The Good Old U. S. A.," sang by Miss Brown, was made very effective by its patriotic views, and the specialties were of a good moral tone, and clever moving pictures of an instructive nature were shown, and, summing it all up, it was a good show.

Eleven characters were presented, and they were well balanced, all playing their parts with such vim and cleverness that one would hardly realize that he had been entertained two and a half hours.

"The Great Northwestern" is to be played until the latter part of the week, when the popular "Dora Thorne" will be presented.

Silverton Locals.

Mr. Bert Barkhurst, who has been at Portland for a couple of months, returned to his home in the city last Tuesday.

Mr. Leo Duffy returned to his home in Milwaukie last Monday.

Mr. Roy Maples, of Milwaukie, is visiting in the city.

There will be a dance given at the opera house next Saturday evening. All are cordially invited.

Mrs. M. Burgoyn's, of Portland, spent Sunday in the city.

The grand ball given at the W. O. W. hall last Saturday evening was well attended, and a good time was had by all.

Albert Moisan, of Brooks, attended the dance given at the W. O. W. hall January 26th.

Miss Hyrde Cooley and Miss Jennie Barkhurst attended the dance given at Mt. Angel last Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Aldrich, of Salem, were in the city last week.

Miss Edith Broasig went to Portland last Monday.

Mr. Albyn Esson made a business trip to Portland last week.

Messrs. Frank Wray, Carl Schindler, Benno Hanck, John Ludovitzko, John Brosig and John Hyatt attended the dance at Mt. Angel Tuesday evening.

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THE MIDNIGHT FLYER.

Thrilling and Strenuous Play Drew Big Crowd at the Grand Opera House.

"The Midnight Flyer" is an active and strenuous play, and things were on the go all the time. The play is strictly speaking, a melodrama, but it has all the qualities of a grand scenic production, and the beautiful stage settings, the splendid specialties and the real merit of the play and players combine to make the attraction well worth the money.

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ABOUT BARBER ASPHALT

Correspondent Asks Questions About Senator Malarkey's Measure

Ed. Journal: Brief statements have appeared in the daily newspapers concerning senate bill No. 101, introduced by Senator Malarkey, of Portland. As a property owner and one interested in municipal improvements, I would like to ask for further information on the subject. The bill is brief, innocent looking on its face, and is as follows:

"No municipal corporation shall adopt plans or specifications for the paving or improvement of any street or highway or for any public improvement required by law to be made by contract let after competitive bidding when such plans or specifications require the exclusive use of any patented article or process or any article or process protected by any trade mark or any article or process wholly controlled by any person, firm or corporation or combination thereof."

When it is remembered that Mr. Malarkey is the attorney and a reputed stockholder in the Barber Asphalt Company, would it not be well to ask if the bill does not contain a joker?

Many people believe that the sole purpose of the bill is to prevent the bidding on public improvements in this state by the Warven Construction Company, who lay pavement by using bitulithic, a copyrighted name.

Anyway, what objection is there to the use by a municipality of a patented article? The best of all inventions have been patented. No combination of materials, no worthy implements or appliances have ever been discovered, without a patent being granted. No person ever wrote a book worth reading without getting it copyrighted. Granted that these things are true, then why enact a law prohibiting the use by towns or cities of a material for street paving bearing a copyrighted trade name?

The writer would suggest that members of the legislature carefully inquire into the merits of this proposed bill before permitting it to become a law.

With all due respect to the talented young senator from Portland, is not the fact that he is the attorney and a reputed Barber Asphalt stockholder sufficient cause to view this bill with suspicion.

REAL OWNER. No Asphalt Streets.

Ed. Journal: Your correspondent, "Property Owner," was not well informed about cities taking up all other kinds of pavement and laying asphalt. In Tacoma asphalt has been taken up and bitulithic put down, and in Portland nothing but bitulithic has been laid in five years. The bitulithic has gone down at Pendleton and at Walla Walla, and if your correspondent were not asleep he would know a few of these things without being told. It is impossible to keep persons informed who go through the world with their eyes closed.

EYE OPENER.

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Business College Wins.

After a hard-fought contest in Woodburn last Saturday evening, the Capital Business College basketball team again was victorious in defeating the five who represented the Woodburn high school.

The score at the close of the game was 27 to 17, and it was a close contest from start to finish.

A merry crowd of rooters accompanied the Salem team. Those who made up the party were Prof. and Mrs. W. I. Staley, Misses Hanna, Ora Goodrich, Lulu Brown, Irene Howard, Margaret Putnam, Leona Graham, Frances Howard, Eugene Miller, Zella Savage, Hansen, Margaret Klein, Elsie Boggs.

Those supporting the home team were George Simons, Jay King, Chet Hargrove, Raymond Jory and Mr. Cole. Alonzo Perkins, of the Salem high school, acted as referee.

FURTHER TROUBLE IMMINENT

Evidence of a Ruction in House Over Prospective Tax Legislation

Some interesting developments came up before the joint committee on assessment and taxation, at the first meeting last evening, which gave rise to the forecast that the several measures contemplating a reform in the manner of assessment and levying of taxes upon corporations, etc., as drafted according to the recommendations of the special tax commission, will encounter anything but favorable winds down the course of legislation.

All of the bills which have been drafted to conform to the suggestions and recommendations of the tax commission, house bills Nos. 57, 58, 59, 60, 85, 86, 87, 88 and 89, by Chapin and Freeman, of Multnomah, came up for general and preliminary discussion, and, although there was no particular line-up upon the question, it was plain to be seen that a strong foundation was being laid for a combined and organized attack upon the most vital features of the measures, which have for their objects the adjustment, equalization and systematizing of the taxation of corporations, either in the committee meeting or when the measures are reported back for final action.

Another important feature of the developments along this line, which came to light upon the floor of the house yesterday afternoon, and which is regarded with suspicious apprehension by the friends of the proposed tax bills, was embodied in a resolution introduced by Wilson, of Multnomah, providing for an increase in the membership of the assessment and taxation committee of the house from five to seven members. Ostensibly the reason given for this proposed change, as stated in the body of the resolution, was that the work of the committee had become so great that additional help was needed, but this representation was refuted by implication, from the fact that Chairman Newell, of the committee, and Jones of Polk and Lincoln, a member of the committee, voted against the proposed increase.

The reason given by Mr. Wilson for the contemplated increase in the personnel of the committee, was that the discovery had been made that Multnomah county was paying one-third of the state's taxes, and that in view of this fact the county should be entitled to representation on the committee to look after the interests of the taxpayers. He also stated that it was understood by the members of the Multnomah delegation that Multnomah was to be given recognition on that committee, and Mr. Bayer was to have been included in its membership, but that it so happened that Mr. Bayer was left off and Huntley, of Clackamas, given a place of that important committee. It was proposed that the committee be increased from five to seven members and the ones chosen for the newly created positions were Mr. Bayer, of Multnomah, and Mr. Vawter, of Douglas and Jackson, but the latter, it is understood, preferred to be left out of this deal.

Friends of the proposed taxation laws, however, according to a remark let fall by chance, accident or design, view the movement with apprehension and feel that there is something more deep and serious than the explanation given behind the scheme, especially in this so when there appeared to be some display of anxiety to have the committee enlarged before the taxation bills came up for consideration. The committee on resolutions had the Wilson resolution under consideration last evening, and agreed to report it back favorably.

Rev. Carlisle, F. B. Martin, I. L. D. Of Waverly, Tex., writes: "Of a morning, when first arising, I often find a troublesome collection of phlegm which produces a cough and is very hard to dislodge; but a small quantity of Ballard's Horchound Syrup will at once dislodge it, and the trouble is over. I know of no medicine that is equal to it, and it is so pleasant to take. I can most cordially recommend it to all persons needing a medicine for throat or lung trouble." Sold by D. J. Fry.

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