

HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI PRESENT "OUR BOYS"

Creditable Performance of Byron's
Comedy—Will Be Repeated
Wednesday Evening

(From Monday's Daily.)
There was an agreeable surprise in store for the very large audience which attended the presentation of H. J. Byron's comedy, "Our Boys," by the High School Alumni in the A. O. U. W. hall on Saturday evening. It was an amateur performance of more than ordinary merit and several of the performers showed talent of a professional standard.

It is difficult to pick out any one member of the cast as the star, so well did all act. Edward Sears, who played the lead as Sir Geoffrey Champneys, is a clever actor, and gave an excellent portrayal of the mean, unsympathetic character of the old English baronet. A. Carrs and P. D. Bannerman, who took the comedy parts, were both very good and kept the house in a continuous roar of laughter. Miss Mabel Cameron, in the role of Violet Melrose, received well merited applause. Her appearance in the second act in the love scene with W. H. Miller (who, as Charles Middlewick, made a handsome lover), was one of the best scenes of the evening. Miss Olive Grant was perhaps the most unaffected of those who took part and her interpretation of the character of Mary Melrose was very natural. Charles Champneys played by Miss Violet Dale, and Belinda, played by Miss Rene Nason, provided plenty of fun for the audience, and the characters were well sustained. The rest of the players kept up the standard and on the whole the play can be said to be one of the best amateur performances seen here for some years.

Many were turned away at Saturday night's performance, as the fire chief had given orders that only a certain number could be admitted after the seats were filled. In order to give those who bought tickets and were unable to gain admittance an opportunity to see the play it will be repeated Wednesday night. The cast was as follows:

Sir Geoffrey Champneys (county magistrate).....Edward Sears
Talbot Champneys (his son).....P. D. Bannerman
Perkin Middlewick (of Devonshire House, a retired butlerman).....A. Carrs
Charles Middlewick (his son).....W. H. Miller
Kempster (Sir Geoffrey's servant).....R. McKay
Poddlies (Middlewick butler).....A. D. Mann
Violet Melrose (an heiress).....Miss Mabel Cameron
Mary Melrose (her poor cousin).....Miss Olive Grant
Charles Champneys (Sir Geoffrey's sister).....Miss Violet Dale
Belinda (a lodging house slaver).....Miss Rene Nason
The play was put on under the direction of W. A. Chambers and the stage management of P. S. Bannerman.

COUNTY COURT SITTING.

Nine Cases on Docket at Opening of
May Session—Three Cases Heard.

(From Monday's Daily.)
Nine cases were on the docket at the opening of the county court May session this morning, and three were heard and decided.

Pinch and Finch, Machine stood over, the date to be set by consent of both parties. A. E. McPhillips, K. C., represents the plaintiff, and D. M. Eberts, K. C., the defendant.

Staniland Company vs. Carlow also stood over, date of hearing to be set later. H. H. Shandley appears for the plaintiff and J. H. Austin for the defence.

Luxton vs. Robertson stands for trial date. R. T. Elliott, K. C., is counsel for the plaintiff.

The hearing of Dumbleton vs. Cutler was set for the 17th inst. Plaintiff is represented by Frank B. Hines and defendant by H. D. Helmecken, K. C.

Lawrence vs. Landsberg will be heard at 10:30 a. m. Friday. A. J. Kito appears for the plaintiff.

The hearing of Moore & Whittington vs. Smith was again stood over. Judgment for the plaintiff was given in the cases of Bittancourt vs. Harvey, Dickinson vs. Phipps, and Le Clercy vs. Ryan.

OBITUARY RECORD

There passed away late on Thursday at the St. Joseph's hospital, Ennis, Tullius Leavell, after a very short illness. Deceased, who had reached the advanced age of 85 years, had only lived in this city for a few years, having been born in Missouri, U. S. A., and had lived a retired life for many years. He leaves a grown up family. The remains have been removed to the B. C. Funeral Company's parlors, where they will be embalmed and forwarded to San Francisco for interment in the family plot at Oakland, Cal.

The remains of the late Albert Francis Adams were laid to rest in Ross Bay cemetery, Thursday afternoon. The funeral took place at 2:30 o'clock from the family residence, Johnson street, where services were conducted by Rev. A. J. Stanley Ard. At the graveside the last sad rites of the I. O. O. F. were conducted by Bro. L. S. Bell, N. G., of Victoria Lodge, No. 1, assisted by Bro. F. Davey. The attendance of sympathizing friends was large. Members of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Ancient Order of Foresters, Bantard's Union, Knights of Pythias and Independent Order of Odd Fellows attended the funeral in a body. The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful. The following acted as bearers: R. Borthwick, H. Callow and K. Dowdall, of the A. O. F. W. F. P. P. of the P. O. E. and W. M. P. P. of the W. M. P. P. of the K. of P.

PROBING ILLINOIS BRIBERY CHARGES

Special Grand Jury is Investigating
Statements Made by Member
of State Legislature

(Times Leased Wire.)
Chicago, May 2.—State's Attorney Wayman will take Representative Charles A. White before the special grand jury to-day to repeat his confession of alleging that he received a bribe of \$1,000 for voting for William Lorimer for United States senator and later \$500 as his share in a "jack pot" or general legislative corruption fund.

The public prosecutor intimates also that in the near future the down state legislators mentioned by White in his charges will appear before the special inquisitorial body, the list including Henry A. Shepard, of Jerseyville, Joseph S. Clark, of Vandalla, Michael Link, of Mitchell and Lee O'Neill Brown, of Ottawa.

The inquiry will not be confined to Cook county alone, for in Sangamon county the regular grand jury convened today at Springfield and State's Attorney Edmund Burke declares that it will make an exhaustive inquiry into the corrupt deals alleged by White to have been transacted at the capital.

After White's thrash at the criminal court building in Chicago, the Sangamon county authorities will seek to bring him before the grand jury at Springfield. If he repeats the confession he made to State's Attorney Wayman before the Sangamon county jurors, State's Attorney Burke declares that he will be indicted and prosecuted forthwith, no matter what assurance of immunity he may have from the prosecution in Cook county.

Senator Lorimer says he has a letter at Washington from White, which he believes proves that the writer is mentally unbalanced and reiterates his declaration that the attack is a move to give the New La Salle Street national bank.

A morning paper here to-day prints a statement alleged to have been made by Albert Laley, declaring that a member of the legislature told him he had been offered a bribe to vote for Lorimer. This legislator, Laley says, declared that he had refused the money.

In the original statement by White, it is alleged that Lee O'Neill Browne, Democratic house leader, is the man who paid the money for White's vote.

It is believed that Wayman and White to-day discussed the whole alleged bribery charge and that the district attorney now has laid the foundation for his investigation. The district attorney is anxious to find out, it is declared, where the money alleged to have been paid White was raised.

ESQUIMALT WINNERS.

Village Defeated the Shearwater Boys at
Cricket.

In a cricket match played at the Canteen grounds on Saturday afternoon a team chosen from the Esquimalt village defeated an aggregation from H. M. S. Shearwater by one inning and 21 runs.

The sailors were not in trim for the affair and the victory was an easy one for the villagers. The bowling of Pooley and Baker for Esquimalt was excellent.

The scoring of the teams was as follows: Esquimalt Village.

Hinch, b Gorschuch	2
Johnson, b Ireland	2
W. Baker, c Gaffney, b Gorschuch	1
H. Pooley, b Ireland	5
Pregnall, c Gorschuch, b Bain	31
C. Jasper, b Ireland	1
F. Ball, b Gaffney	30
Steadman, b Bain	6
Richardson, b Gorschuch	4
Maguire, b Gorschuch	4
Tosser, not out	6
Extras	1
Total	100
H. M. S. Shearwater—2nd Innings.	
Gaffney, c Richardson, b Baker	7
Gaywood, c and b Pooley	0
Mitchell, b Pooley	0
Gorschuch, b Pooley	5
Ireland, b Baker	0
Sherwill, b Pooley	4
Bain, c and b Pooley	0
Pooley, b Gorschuch	0
Fagg, b Baker	7
McLean, not out	12
Wyatt, run out	2
Extras	1
Total	44
H. M. S. Shearwater—2nd Innings.	
McLean, c Maguire, b Pooley	5
Gaywood, c and b Baker	0
Bain, c and b Pooley	1
Richardson, b Pooley	0
Ireland, c Maguire, b Baker	6
Gorschuch, b Baker	2
Sherwill, b Pooley	22
Gaffney, c Richardson, b Baker	3
Mitchell, b Baker	7
Wyatt, b Pooley	0
Fagg, not out	0
Extras	5
Total	35

NITRATES ON CHATHAM

Cargo Will Be Handled by New Over-
head Tramway Which Will
Facilitate Handling.

British Steamer Chatham, Captain Duff, which took a cargo from Tacoma to the South American coast, arriving at Callao March 9th, has loaded a cargo of nitrates and will arrive early in May with a consignment of several hundred tons of the explosive. The cargo will be landed at their own wharf inside the harbor and the new overhead tramway will be used for the first time in discharging it.

This tramway high elevator from the wharf by which the trucks are lifted after being loaded and are then pushed by the overhead line to any part of the works. The arrangements will be a great saving of expense in discharging the cargoes.

—All the false work in connection with the big embankment block having been removed it is possible to get an accurate idea of what its appearance when finished will be. It is pronounced by those competent to judge to be one of the finest business blocks on the entire Pacific coast. It is interesting to note that all the apartments have been let to permanent tenants. The boarding along Port street has been removed and the sidewalk is clear for pedestrians.

LOCAL MARKETS

Local Markets

Oils—	
Freight's Coal Oil	1.25
Eocene	1.75
Meats—	
Hams (B. C.), per lb.	24
Bacon (B. C.), per lb.	27
Hams (American), per lb.	24
Bacon (American), per lb.	27
Beef (long clear), per lb.	24
Beef (short ribs), per lb.	24
Pork, per lb.	24
Mutton, per lb.	24
Lamb, hindquarter	2.50
Lamb, forequarter	2.50
Veal, per lb.	24
Suet, per lb.	15
Produce—	
Fresh Island Eggs	35
Butter (California)	32
Butter (New Zealand)	32
Western Canada Flour Mills—	
Purity, per sack	1.00
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Three Star Patent, per sack	1.35
Three Star Patent, per sack	1.35
Ogilvie's Royal Household	1.90
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Vancouver Milling Co., Hun-	
gerian, per sack	1.90
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Lake of Woods, per sack	2.00
Lake of Woods, per sack	2.00
Calgary Hungarian, per sack	1.75
Calgary Hungarian, per sack	1.75
Enderby, per sack	1.90
Enderby, per sack	1.90
Patty Flours—	
Snowflake, per sack	1.85
Snowflake, per sack	1.85
O. K. Best Pastry, per sack	1.70
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O. K. Four Star, per sack	1.70
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Vancouver Milling Co., Wild	
Rose, per sack	1.75
Drifted Snow, per sack	1.70
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Wheat, chicken fed, per ton	40.00
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Barley, per ton	35.00
Whole Corn	40.00
Ground Feed, per ton	40.00
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Rolls Oats (B. & K.), 7-lb. sk.	40
Rolls Oats (B. & K.), 20-lb. sk.	40
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Oatmeal, 10-lb. sack	30
Oatmeal, 50-lb. sack	25
Cracked Wheat, 10 lbs.	30
Wheat Flakes, per packet	12.50
Whole Wheat Flour, 10 lbs.	35
Graham Flour, 25 lbs.	40
Graham Flour, 50 lbs.	1.75
Feed—	
Hay (baled), per ton	23.00
Hay, per bale	25.00
Middlings, per ton	32.00
Brans, per ton	30.00
Ground Feed, per ton	30.00
Shorts	22.00
Poultry—	
Dressed Fowl, per lb.	20
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Geese (Island), per lb.	20
Island Produce—	
Potatoes (local)	1.25
Onions, per lb.	1
Carrots, per lb.	1
Wholesale Markets.	
Pears, per box	1.20
Walnuts (Cal.)	4.00
Walnuts (Eastern)	10
Walnuts, per dozen	12
Ham	22
Ham (baked), per lb.	26
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Bacon	24
Carrots, per sack	75
Bananas, per lb.	18.00
Potatoes (local), per ton	18.00
Butter (Creamery), Cal.	34
Butter, Provincial Government	34
Butter (Dairy)	26
Oats, per ton	20
Hay, per ton	15.00
Corn, per ton	38.00
Fruit—	
Tomatoes (local), per lb.	2.75
Tomatoes (Cal.), per crate	4.25
Tomatoes (Florida), per crate	4.25
Green Onions, per doz.	1.00
Radish, per doz.	1.00
Cauliflowers, per doz.	1.00
Onions (Austrian), per ton	3.25
Nopal Oranges	2.50
Apples, per box	2.25
Cranberries (local), per bbl.	100
Garlic, per lb.	12
Onions (local)	5
Figs (Cal.), per package	75
Figs (Smyrna), boxes	1.50
Figs (Smyrna), per doz.	1.75
Artichokes (Cal.), per doz.	1.00
Rhubarb (local), per lb.	20
Cucumbers, per crate	2.50
Squash, per crate	2.50
Yams	25
Parsley, per doz.	25
Honey, liquid, bulk, per lb.	4.75
Honey (comb), per crate	10
Asparagus (Cal.), per lb.	6
Limes, per doz.	15
Apples (Australian), per box	1.75
Oranges (Blood)	1.25
Onions (Bermuda), per crate	2.25
Cheese (Cal.), per lb.	22
Green Peas, per lb.	2.50

CHARGES CONSPIRACY TO OVERTHROW TAFT

Accusations Made by Attorney for
U. S. Secretary of Interior Be-
fore Committee

Washington, D. C., May 2.—A heated and direct accusation that ex-Secretary of the Interior, Garmah, Pinchot, former chief forester, and others are engaged in a political conspiracy to overthrow a president "who is distasteful to them," was made before the Ballinger investigation committee on Saturday by Attorney Vertrees, Ballinger's attorney.

He directly referred to Ballinger's opponents as "sordid souls," who, bound to political parties, represent a miserable spirit which will tear down and destroy any man of respectable ability.

Other remarks in the same tenor marked the hot protest of Vertrees against what he termed a "despicable conspiracy to overthrow a president."

Continuing, Vertrees charged that "bitter denunciation" is now the line of attack being followed by the prosecution. He asserted that this alleged system was inaugurated by Attorney Brantley when he requested the committee to ask Attorney-General Wick-

ham to produce documents and evidence as to the date when his summary of the Glavis charges was written.

The committee refused the request of Attorney Brantley for the original draft of the Wickham summary of his findings in the Glavis charge and for other papers tending to show when the summary was prepared. When asked when he had first discovered there existed a "conspiracy against him," Ballinger said: "I had a suspicion when I was in Spokane in August, 1907, that Pinchot was industrious at work trying to damage me and ruin my character."

—The building inspector has issued permits to Lee Chong & Co., for the erection of a brick building on Broad street, to cost \$4,000, and to L. C. Ratray for a brick one story building on Douglas street, to cost \$1,750.

—Dr. G. A. B. Hall has been formally installed in the position of medical health officer and assumed his duties from Friday. It is understood that a number of alterations and improvements to the isolation hospital will be recommended forthwith.

—The property owners in that section of the city bounded by Wharf, Humboldt, Cormorant and Blanchard streets are in favor of the scheme for distributing the wires by the conduit system, explained by City Electrician Hutchison, and a number have signed the petition which is being drawn up to have the work carried out. The scheme involves the city paying the cost of the conduit, while the property owners of the B. C. Telephone Company to the amount of approximately \$75,000. The company deals with the city direct and the city with the property owners. The latter agree to make good any damage to property which might result.

MONEY PRIZE LIST AT NANAIMO MEET

Local Amateurs Should Obtain a
Ruling From B. C. A. A. U.
Before Entering

(From Monday's Daily.)
Victoria athletes who are busy at the present time training for the Nanaimo athletic meet on May 24th, will be wise to have a complete understanding with the B. C. A. A. U. regarding the matter of their status after the events have been run. The Nanaimo prize list is a money list distinctly, and while there is a qualification that goods will be given for the value, it is pointed out that under the rules of the B. C. A. A. U., any runner who competes in a meet at which a runner takes money will be professionalized.

The situation is that if there is one runner at Nanaimo who does not get merchandise for his trophy, every runner competing at the meet will be professionalized, if the B. C. A. A. U. carries out its rules.

A. J. Brace, secretary of the local branch of the B. C. A. A. U., this morning reviewed the Nanaimo situation as follows, after it had been brought to his notice: "I have received word from the local branch of the B. C. A. A. U., and he tells me all the prizes will be in merchandise. I will, however, look into it."

If this fact is so, there is not the slightest reason why the merchandise should not be listed on the programme instead of the prize money. There was a long controversy over the same matter two years ago during which it was openly stated that the up-island athletes would not run except for cash prizes.

The secretary of the Victoria branch of the B. C. A. A. U., has, however, declined to take into the matter and will probably issue a statement for the guidance of Victoria athletes who propose to enter the events.

GENERAL MANAGER REACHES THE COAST

E. J. Chamberlin, of G. T. P., on
Tour of Inspection of Com-
pany's Western Interests

(From Friday's Daily.)
Interviewed on his arrival at Vancouver on Wednesday night, E. J. Chamberlin, general manager of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, who is on a tour of inspection of the company's western interests, said that the work of construction was progressing satisfactorily, but that operations were greatly hampered by the scarcity of men for work on the line. Only about half of the men required for building the line could be secured. The line had been completed some 125 miles west of Edmonton, and is being continued to Tete Jaune Cache as rapidly as possible. Twelve hundred teams are employed on this work, and fifteen hundred cars of supplies have been sent forward to the Cache. A through service between Fort William and Edmonton will be possible about September. Work was proceeding from the coast eastward, and it was hoped to have the first one hundred miles in operation late this summer.

Preliminary surveys, said Mr. Chamberlin, would probably be commenced on the Fort George-Vancouver branch of the road this summer.

In reference to the coast steamship service of the company, it was stated that two of the company's new boats for the British Isles, which were built in England, and according to schedule are timed to reach this coast the end of May. The Prince Rupert, which was the larger of the two new boats and which will go on the Prince Rupert-Vancouver run, is expected on the 30th of the month, and the Prince Albert for the Queen Charlotte service one day later.

Mr. Chamberlin came west from Winnipeg in his private car "Transcontinental," accompanied by Mrs. Chamberlin and his private secretary, T. Kinsella. The general manager announced that he would remain in Vancouver for a few days before proceeding north to Prince Rupert.

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STEAMER GOES AGROUND WHILE ON PASSAGE FROM PRINCE RUPERT TO COMOX

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Passage From Prince Rupert
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Seattle, Wash