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**Frank Oakley, better known as 'Slivers,' the clown, greatly amused the large audiences which attended the performances at the Orpheum yesterday afternoon and last night. His first appearance on the stage is in a characteristic clown costume and he afterwards strips down to a baseball uniform and then goes through a game in pantomime, taking the part of a catcher. His actions and mannerisms are distinctly funny, the act being greatly enhanced by special scenery depicting a baseball diamond.**

**East Oregonian - March 9, 1916**

**Frank Oakley, known as 'Slivers, the highest paid clown in the world, was found dead in his room here. he lay stretched out on the floor, half dressed, with gas flowing from a jet and a small heater.**

**'Slivers' made a hit all over the United States with his baseball act and is reported to have received a salary of \$15,000 a year for working 20 minutes a day.**